



MetSoc 2015 NewsLetter (June 25, 2015)
(Third Circular)

The MetSoc 2015 [Program](#) is now available and early-[registration](#) deadline is on **Monday June 29th**.

The [MetSoc2015 website](#) is being updated frequently.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 29 (Monday): [Early-registration deadline](#)

July 3: Residence Hall [accommodation](#) reservation deadline

July 13 (Monday): Late-registration deadline

July 27-31: Meteoritical Society 78th Annual Meeting

REGISTRATION

Before going to the [registration site](#), please read the following information and visit the [MetSoc2015 website](#).

MEETING REGISTRATION FEES

	MetSoc Members	MetSoc Non- members*	Student members	Student Non- members*	Guests
Early registration (by June 29)	\$550	\$630	\$330	\$370	\$220
Late registration (by Jul 13)	\$600	\$680	\$380	\$420	\$270
On site registration (after July 13)	\$650	\$730	\$430	\$470	\$320

For participants and guests (accompanying persons), registration fees include conference materials, coffee breaks, welcome party, poster session, farewell party, Wednesday afternoon activities (except baseball tickets), and banquet dinner. For guests, two day trips by bus are being organized, one to Muir Woods National Monument (Monday) and one to a location TBD (Thursday).

*The organizer strongly recommends to “[Become a Member](#)” instead of registration as Non-member. Annual membership is \$80 and student membership is \$40.

Early Registration deadline: June 29, 2015

Late registration deadline: July 13, 2015

On site registration: We accept only check or cash. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS FOR ONSITE REGISTRATION.

Banquet: Please indicate your preferred banquet entrée (fish, beef, or vegetarian) on the [Registration form](#). If you have special diet, please contact us.

Wednesday afternoon activities: Please select **ONE** optional activity from (1) Mini-Lab Tour, (2) San Francisco City Tour, (3) MetSoc Soccer Game on the [Registration form](#). (4) The Major League Baseball game option is sold out, but you can request to go on a wait list.

Remember: Each person can attend only **ONE** [Wednesday afternoon event](#) (or opt to organize something for yourself). **One** 1-day Visitor Passport (unlimited ride on Muni and cable cars) will be provided for each registered person who picks the San Francisco tour.

Special Notes: Reservation/Payment for the Napa Wine Tour (August 1, Saturday) must be submitted directly on [MetSoc2015 website](#) (NOT the Registration form) before June 29th. Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis. *You may request to be wait-listed for [Baseball](#) tickets (July 29, Wednesday).

The Mini-Lab Tour activity is filling up fast, please register by June 29th to secure a spot. We will contact tour attendees separately to offer a choice of a tour of the Advanced Light Source (ALS) or UC Berkeley Space Sciences Lab (SSL). Tescan engineers will be at SSL to providing instrument demos.

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory must process security badges in advance for access to LBL/ALS. We cannot guarantee LBL access for non-US participants, particularly for requests made after June 29th. Space Sciences Lab has no badging restrictions for the mini tour. We will provide transportation up the hill.

[Accommodations:](#) We recommend that you make room reservations sooner than later.

Foothill Residence Hall and Stern Hall: We are taking reservations for Foothill Residence Hall and Stern Hall. Since the number of rooms is limited, the reservations are on a first come, first served basis although students have priority. Please look at the [accommodations](#) page to download and submit a Reservation Form. We will send you information on payment methods.

The Women's Faculty Club: Sorry, all rooms were booked.

Faculty Club: Sorry, all rooms were booked.

Local Hotels: You can find local hotels at [site](#). Hotel Shattuck Plaza is a larger hotel that may have some rooms available and it is located in downtown Berkeley. Some hotels accept University discount rate. Mention Space Sciences Lab at UC Berkeley when making the reservation for those that do discounted rates. Note, some of the hotels are not within walking distance.

Visas and requests for an Invitation letter: To check if you need a visa to visit USA click [here](#). If you need an Invitation letter from us for a visa application, download the form from this [website](#) and send it to [us](#).

MetSoc Meeting welcome and registration: The registration and help desk will be situated at [Stanley Hall](#) Atrium during MetSoc week. Presentation check-in is available close by in Stanley Hall Room 179.

Registration will be open Sunday, July 26th between 3pm and 6pm. Pre-registered attendees, please stop by to check-in. The registration desk will open again Monday July 27th at 8:00 and each day thereafter.

Please note, we can only accept cash or check for onsite new registrations. We strongly recommend pre-register on the USRA [meeting website](#) by June 29th for early registration, or July 13th at the latest.

The MetSoc 2015 opening ceremony and welcome party will be Sunday July 26th at 6:30 to 9:30 pm, a couple of minutes walk away from the Stanley Hall conference hub.

Meeting Program and Location: Two parallel oral sessions will be held in Stanley Hall Auditorium and Bechtel Engineering Building [Sibley Auditorium](#), beginning 8:30 Monday July 27th. It takes about 2 minutes to walk between the two venues. The parallel sessions continue Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings and afternoons. The MetSoc 2015 Program is now available [online](#).

Refreshments and break-out space are available outside both oral presentation venues. We will serve morning and afternoon coffee/tea in Stanley Hall lower atrium as well as outside Sibley Auditorium (in Garbarini Lounge, Bechtel Engineering Center). No food or drink is permitted in either auditorium.

The Awards Ceremony and Medal Winners Talks is 8:30 to 11:30 in I-House Chevron Auditorium.

The MetSoc Business Meeting is in Stanley Hall Auditorium, Thursday July 30th 11:45 to 12:30.

The MetSoc Banquet is at Campanile Esplanade, in the center of UC Berkeley campus at 7 pm on Wednesday, July 29th

The Barringer Invited Lecture, with guest speaker Professor Geoffrey Marcy, is at 7:30 pm in I-House Chevron Auditorium.

Our farewell party will be in Stanley Hall Atrium, Friday 31st from 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

Posters: The posters venue at Hearst Memorial Mining Building lobby, is available from noon on Monday 27th July until Thursday 30th, 7 pm. The Poster Session and reception will be held Tuesday evening, July 28th from 6 to 9 pm.

Poster presentations are standard size, up to 122 by 122 cm (48 by 48 inches).

We encourage you to display your poster presentation all week, from Monday afternoon until Thursday evening. HMMB lobby remains open to anyone until 6:30 pm each day.

Campus Wi-Fi Access: Wireless Internet access “AirBears2” is available on campus. Visitors have two options to connect: If your institution participates eduroam, you are able to connect securely with your eduroam ID and Wi-Fi key from your home institution. Please visit eduroam.org to see if your home institution offers this service. [CalVisitor](#) requires no username or password, you can self-select the CalVisitor Wi-Fi network to get online.

Berkeley local knowledge: All of the MetSoc 2015 venues are within 8 minutes walking distance of each other and local restaurants are plentiful. Public transportation around campus is very good. Most people will not need a car. Average temperature in July/August is 23°C (74 °F) high and 12°C (53°F) low. Average monthly rainfall is 0 mm in July, so bring a sweater and Jacket, but leave the umbrella at home..

If you have any question, contact [us](#):

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