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DPS MEETING SWAG AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE FROM STARtorialist

DPS Meeting swag is available for purchase from STARtorialist - although it’s too late to guarantee arrival before the meeting, you can still order items sporting the meeting logo (select from water bottles, tote bags, t-shirts, notebooks, and socks).

Link for DPS-specific items: https://shop.startorialist.com/collections/new-arrivals-and-coming-soon/dps53#MainContent

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SEEKING APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE AAS DPS COMMITTEE
The DPS Nominating Sub-Committee welcomes applications for the Student Representative position of the AAS DPS Committee. The term is two years.

We are accepting applications via [this form](https://dps.aas.org) until December 15th, 2021. From these applications, two candidates will be chosen to run for election. The DPS membership will then vote to determine who will fill this position. This position is unpaid.

The timeline for DPS elections is as follows. Nominations will be assembled by the Nominating Subcommittee and announced to the DPS Membership in Spring 2022. The DPS Membership then has 30 days to add write-in candidates by petition (with signatures from 20 DPS members). Once statements are collected from all candidates (usually early to mid-June), the polls open in mid-late June and close on 31 July. The newly elected members will begin their terms at the Canada meeting in October 2022.

Please address any questions to Dr. Desireé Cotto-Figueroa, Chair of the DPS Nominating Sub-Committee: desiree.cotto@upr.edu.

SEEKING DPS MEMBERS TO CONDUCT VIRTUAL CLASSROOM PRESENTATIONS IN OCT AND NOV

We are continuing our successful program of connecting DPS members and meeting attendees with classrooms from across the US. We are looking for scientists from all career stages to present a talk about their science to a classroom of K-12 students. To sign up, please complete the form below with a description of your science (as specific or general as you feel comfortable) and we will match you (as best we can!) with a teacher looking for a scientist to present to their classroom. We are looking for presentations during the months of October and November. Once you have been matched you with a possible classroom, you will be connected to a teacher to organize a specific, mutually-agreeable time to present. Please contact Moses Milazzo (moses+dps2020@otherorb.net) with questions or to get more information.

[https://forms.gle/u5rJHs8BH3a9vsGk6](https://forms.gle/u5rJHs8BH3a9vsGk6)

LPI ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR IDEA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS
The Lunar and Planetary Institute (LPI) is seeking committee members for its newly-established IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility) Independent Advisory Committee. The goal of the advisory committee is to provide guidance on the LPI’s practices, in particular for meetings, conferences, and public and planetary community engagement activities. Service on the committee will be supported through an honorarium. To apply, please submit a cover letter (up to two pages) and brief CV (up to two pages) highlighting your experience and interest in supporting IDEA practices to Cynthia Svambera (csvambera@usra.edu [6]), the USRA HR business partner at LPI, by Friday, October 8.

For more information, please see our full posting here: https://www.lpi.usra.edu/features/092121/idea/ [7]

DPS PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE AND CULTURE SUBCOMMITTEE (PCCS) OPEN TO NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in helping to make the planetary science community more diverse and inclusive? If so, please consider joining the DPS Professional Culture and Climate subcommittee (PCCS). Our charge and a description of PCCS activities and responsibilities of PCCS members can be found at: https://dps.aas.org/leadership/climate [9], including our Code of Conduct (to be posted shortly). You also can speak with any current PCCS members (listed at above site) and, in particular, you are welcome to contact Chair Serina Diniega (serina.diniega@jpl.nasa.gov [10]).

At the DPS meeting, PCCS efforts will be described a bit at the DPS Members meeting (Thursday, Oct 7, 4:30-5:30pm EDT) and with the SciAccess Plenary presentation and Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility (IDEA) session (Friday, Oct 8, 12-1pm and 3-3:25pm EDT).

To express interest in becoming a PCCS member, please send an email to dps.pccschair@aas.org [11] by Friday Oct 15, 2021, including (1) why you are interested, (2) a brief description of any IDEA work you’ve already done, (3) a brief statement on what you might hope to accomplish with the PCCS, and (4) optionally a CV/resume or link to a professional website if you already have one. Feedback about past or potential future work by PCCS is also welcomed, as always.

EDIA SESSION, EVENTS, AND MEETINGS AT THE FALL 2021 DPS MEETING
The Division for Planetary Sciences' Planetary Culture and Climate Subcommittee would like to call out sessions at the upcoming DPS Fall meeting intended to expand the conversation about equity, diversity, inclusivity and accessibility in our community. These include the EDIA planary session, two workforce sessions, and a science chat, as well as several social events.

Early Career Social
social event
Sunday, October 3, 2021
6:30pm - 7:00pm EDT

Women in Planetary Science Discussion
attendee event
Monday, October 4, 2021
5:00 - 6:30pm EDT

LGBTQ+ meetup
social event
Monday, October 4, 2021
9:00 - 10:00pm EDT

Scientists of Color Meetup
social event
Wednesday, October 6, 2021
7:00 - 8:30pm EDT

Science Chat: DPS activities and community inclusivity (immediately following the DPS members meeting)
attendee event
Thursday, October 7, 2021
5:30pm - 6:00pm EDT
500 - SciAccess: Advancing Disability Inclusion in Astronomy and STEM (Anna Voelker of the Ohio State University)

plenary
Friday, October 8, 2021
12:00pm - 12:55pm EDT

504 - IDEA: Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility

live Q&A session
Friday, October 8, 2021
3:00pm- 3:25pm EDT

507 - Engaging Our Communities

live Q&A session
Friday, October 8, 2021
3:30pm - 3:55pm EDT

Science Chat: IDEA in Planetary Science

attendee event
4:00pm - 4:30pm EDT

Please reach out to conveners for more information about attending the social events listed above. We are looking forward to fruitful conversations aimed at strengthening the planetary science community for all!

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SURVEY FOR PLANETARY SCIENTISTS RELATED TO OUTREACH
If you haven’t take it yet, we are still recruiting scientists to complete a short survey (about 10 minutes) that will ask about any current barriers you may have to participating in outreach, about your interests in receiving training to reach specific audiences, and about your own motivations and interests in engaging in outreach.

Your responses will directly impact the work of new initiatives funded by NASA for connecting scientists with outreach programs and training so we hope you will consider completing this survey. If you are interested in participating, you may access the survey [https://tinyurl.com/wf3wxhts](https://tinyurl.com/wf3wxhts) [12].

At the end of the survey, there will be an opportunity to opt-in to receive information about future opportunities and ways to engage. Regardless of your opt-in choice, your survey responses will be anonymous. If you have trouble accessing the survey or if you have questions about the survey process, please contact the project evaluator [Chris.Mead@asu.edu] [13].

JOBS, POSITIONS, AND OPPORTUNITIES

Job seekers and employers are encouraged to browse DPS’s job listings [14] and advertise open positions [15]. Recent openings and opportunities are listed below and more are at the link above.

A. Postdoc, Stony Brook University

There is an open postdoctoral researcher position in the Stony Brook University Department of Geosciences to work with Prof. Tim Glotch on two projects funded by NASA and DOE. The work involves fundamental infrared spectroscopy and modeling of minerals and mineral mixtures. The job posting can be found at [https://stonybrooku.taleo.net/careersection/2/jobdetail.ftl?job=2103399&tz=GMT-04%3A00&tzname=America%2FNew_York](https://stonybrooku.taleo.net/careersection/2/jobdetail.ftl?job=2103399&tz=GMT-04%3A00&tzname=America%2FNew_York) [16].

B. Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Study of Solar System Small Bodies

Applications are invited for a 2-year Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Astrophysics Research Centre (ARC) at Queen's University Belfast. The successful applicant will work with Dr. Meg Schwamb to develop and exploit next-generation tools for analysing and interpreting future Solar System moving object detections from the Vera C. Rubin Observatory Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST). Rubin Observatory science operations are planned to begin around mid-2024, with the survey expected to discover millions of asteroids and tens of thousands of distant Solar System planetesimals. The post will focus on developing software pipelines and utilities for LSST Solar System science and applying these
techniques to present-day LSST-precursor datasets. This includes the development of a pipeline to discover distant Solar System bodies beyond ~100 au that are not expected to be discoverable by the main Rubin Observatory Solar System Processing pipeline.

https://hrwebapp.qub.ac.uk/tlive_webrecruitment/wrd/run/ETREC107GF.open?VACANCY_ID=924394FI8
&WVID=627309OLqx&LANG=USA [17]

Application Deadline:  October 13, 2021

ARC website:

https://www.qub.ac.uk/research-centres/astrophysics-research-centre/ [18]

C. Lowell Observatory Prize Postdoctoral Fellowship

https://dps.aas.org/content/lowell-observatory-prize-postdoctoral-fellowship [19]

D. UCLA faculty position opening in experimental space-planetary plasma interactions

https://dps.aas.org/content/ucla-faculty-position-opening-experimental-space-planetary-plasma-interactions [20]

E. Assistant Professor of Astronomy, Boston University

https://dps.aas.org/content/assistant-professor-astronomy-2 [21]

Send submissions to:

Maria Womack, DPS Secretary (dpssec@aas.org [22])

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