



Planetary Sciences

July 2021 Newsletter

Greetings from Your Planetary Sciences Section Leadership!

We said to be on the lookout for volunteer survey, and now the time has come! The AGU Planetary Sciences section is gearing up for our next year of activities and is looking for volunteers for several committees. If you are interested in getting involved with the Planetary Sciences Section, please see Announcement #3 below for more details. We will be sending out a follow-up survey with opportunities for students to get involved with AGU PS.

As always, we look forward to hearing from you.

Michael Mischna, President

Paul Byrne, President-Elect

Jennifer Whitten, Secretary

Sam Birch, Early Career Representative

Ashley Schoenfeld, Student Representative

Rosalyn Lopes, Past-President

Upcoming Deadlines & Events

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- ROSES-2021: Rolling Submissions
 - [Several program will transition to No \(Fixed\) Due Dates \(NoDD\):](#)
 - Emerging Worlds (EW)
 - Solar System Workings (SSW)
 - Planetary Data Archiving, Restoration, and Tools (PDART)
 - Exobiology (ExoBio)
 - Solar System Observations (SSO)
 - Planetary Instrument Concepts for the Advancement of Solar System Observations (PICASSO)
 - Laboratory Analysis of Returned Samples (LARS)

Upcoming Conferences (all conferences virtual unless otherwise noted)

- **July 12-16, 2021:** Pluto System and Arrokoth Workshop
- **July 15-16, 2021:** Lunar and Small Bodies Graduate Conference (LunGradCon 2021)
- **July 19-23, 2021:** 2021 Sagan Summer Workshop: Circumstellar Disks and Young Planets
- **July 20-23, 2021:** NASA Exploration Science Forum (NESF) and European Lunar Symposium (ELS) 2021
- **August 10-12, 2021:** Titan Through Time 5 Workshop [Hybrid format]
- **August 11-13, 2021:** 12th Planetary Crater Consortium Meeting
- **August 15-21, 2021:** 84th Annual Meeting of The Meteoritical Society, Chicago, Illinois [Hybrid format]

Planetary Sciences Announcements/Updates

1. TITAN THROUGH TIME 5 WORKSHOP – RESECHEDULED FOR AUGUST 10-12, 2021

The previously postponed Titan Through Time 5 Workshop has been rescheduled and will be held as an in-person meeting with a virtual attendance option August 10-12, 2021 in Boulder, Colorado. Please see [website](#) for more information.

2. PLANETARY SCIENCE AND ASTROBIOLOGY DECADAL SURVEY OPEN SESSIONS IN APRIL

There are a series of open sessions for the Planetary Science and Astrobiology Decadal Survey Subpanels this month:

July 9, 2021: [Panel on Ocean Worlds and Dwarf Planets](#), Meeting 34

July 14, 2021: [Panel on Small Solar System Bodies](#), Meeting 14

July 14, 2021: [Panel on Venus](#), Meeting 21

July 15, 2021: [Research and Analysis Writing Group](#)

July 16, 2021: [Panel on Mercury and the Moon](#), Meeting 20

3. VOLUNTEERING WITH THE AGU PLANETARY SCIENCES SECTION

We are looking for people who are interested in getting involved with the AGU Planetary Sciences Section. The available opportunities are described in detail below. Please [fill out this form](#) if you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions.

OSPA Coordinator—Responsible for overseeing the Outstanding Student Presentation Award for the section. Identifying/confirming judges, interacting with session liaisons, reviewing judging scoresheets and making the OSPA selections. Time commitment: August-November: ~10 hours; December: ~20 hours (incl. Fall Meeting); January: ~5 hours

Honors Canvassing Committee—Reaching out to colleagues, department heads, managers, etc. to encourage submission of applications for the Fred Whipple Award and Ronald Greeley Early Career Award. Identify worthy candidates, and secure commitments for nominations packages to be submitted on their behalf. Time commitment: December-March: ~20 hours

Honors Selection Committee—Review applications for Whipple and Greeley awards, and make selection of award winners. Time commitment: March-June: ~20 hours

Student Travel Grant Committee—Review planetary science applications for Student Travel Grant program and make selections of awardees. Time commitment: June-September: ~5 hours

Caregiver Award Committee—Review applications for caregiver awards (child or dependent care); work with executive committee to establish number and amount of awards based on need. Time commitment: June-October: ~10 hours

Fall Meeting Program Committee—Responsible for setting up the Planetary Sciences program for the Fall Meeting. Work with FMPC members from other sections to create the full Fall Meeting program. Time commitment: May: 3 full days; September: 3 full days; plus 1-2 days to finalize session details.