



Planetary Sciences

## August 2021 Newsletter

### Greetings from Your Planetary Sciences Section Leadership!

The end of summer break is fast approaching, as is the [AGU Fall Meeting 2021](#) (#AGU21) deadline. We are continuing to accept applications for the various volunteer opportunities we've been posting about (see Announcement #3 below) and will be offering committee assignments throughout August. We also have a new opportunity! Our wonderful Early Career and Student reps are going to rotate off at the end of the year and we are looking for new volunteers to join us – see Announcement #2 for details.

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

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# Upcoming Deadlines & Events

## Upcoming Deadlines

- 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)

- **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]
- **August 18-19, 2021:** Lunar Surface Science Workshop
- **August 30 - September 1, 2021:** Outer Planets Assessment Group Fall Meeting
- **August 31 - September 2, 2021:** Annual Meeting of the Lunar Exploration Analysis Group

# 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. AGU PLANETARY SCIENCE SECTION CALL FOR NEW STUDENT AND EARLY CAREER REPS

We are looking for students and early career applicants who are interested in serving on the AGU Planetary Science Section Executive Committee. These are two year positions that begin in January. All incoming reps are invited to our Exec Committee Meeting at the AGU Fall Meeting.

Responsibilities include attending leadership meetings, organizing student activities at the AGU Fall Meeting and leading new section initiatives that focus on support for student and early career members.

Application forms can be access at [this link](#) and are due by 15 October. If you have any questions feel free to contact the PSS Secretary, [Jenny Whitten](#).

## 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. This is the last call before we begin reaching out to volunteers regarding committee assignments.

**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.