



OCACS Elements

The Orange County Local Section is excited to launch this monthly update of Section activities and upcoming events. If you would like more information about our section or how you or your company can contribute to our Section's efforts, please visit our website.

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ACS To Designate UCI's Rowland Hall as National Landmark

UCI has a tremendous history of transformative research in atmospheric chemistry, air quality and climate change, along with translating the results of this research for public benefit.

The American Chemical Society designates selected buildings where seminal chemistry discoveries took place as National Landmarks. Rowland Hall on the UCI campus has been granted such a designation in honor of the Rowland/Molina ground-breaking work on CFCs and stratospheric ozone loss.

The Landmark Dedication will be held at Rowland Hall at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, April 18, with a reception following the dedication. The AirUCI Institute is holding a two-day symposium on April 18 and 19th structured around the Landmark Dedication. The symposium will honor the history of this field at UCI, and move to the present and future as represented by the new faculty hired at UCI to maintain its research excellence in the area of atmospheric sciences.

The symposium will be held at the Beckman Center on campus. Invited speakers include (in alphabetical order):

- Allison Campbell: President of the American Chemical Society and Associate Lab Director at PNNL
- Jane Hall: Economist, Cal State Fullerton
- David Hasemyer: Pulitzer Prize winning Investigative journalist, Inside Climate News
- Wayne Nastri: Executive Officer, South Coast Air Quality Management District
- Mary Nichols: Chair, California Air Resources Board
- C. Arden Pope: Professor of Economics, Brigham Young University
- A. R. Ravishakara: Professor of Chemistry, Colorado State University
- Paul Shepson: Distinguished Professor, Purdue University and Division Director, Atmospheric & Geospace Sciences, NSF
- Ellen Williams, Distinguished University Professor, University of Maryland, former Director of ARPA-E

Interspersed between our invited speakers will be short talks by our new faculty hires as well as teams of students representing our cross-disciplinary research. We would love to have you join us for either or both the Landmark Dedication and symposium. We anticipate strong attendance at the symposium and space is limited. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the Beckman Center for the symposium attendees. In order to accommodate everyone, **we need RSVPs by March 20, 2017**. We ask that you register at [AIRUCI Symposium](#).



Join us for our [March Dinner Meeting](#) on Thursday, March 16 for a look at Detection and Quantification of Trace Organic Contaminants in Water using the FTIR-ATR Technique.

You may attend the program only without dinner at no cost. Your RSVP for dinner or program only is due by noon on March 14, 2017. For more information, please visit our [website](#).



Don't miss our upcoming events and meetings and for more information, please visit our [website](#).

- March 16: Executive Committee Meeting
- April 18: Rowland Hall Dedication
- April 18: Executive Committee Meeting
- April 26: College Awards Dinner
- May 11: Executive Committee Meeting
- May 23: High School Awards Dinner
- October 15: National Chemistry Week



Meet our two new Executive Committee members - Dr. Keisuke Ikehata (Chair-Elect) and Dr. Beverly Matsuda (Secretary). You can find more information about both of these active OCACS members [here](#).

If you want to get more involved with our Local Section, please contact OCACSChair@gmail.com. We welcome your insights, experience and energy!



Watch your inbox this month for our annual OCACS Member survey. We want to hear from you on programming, meeting locations, activities, and how involved you want to be in the Orange County Local Section. Your opinion matters to us.

Environmental Committee

The Environmental Committee had their first bi-

monthly meeting of 2017 on Thursday, February 23, 2017.

We would like to thank Dr. Stephen Koenigsberg from Civil and Environmental Consultants (CEC) in Irvine for his excellent presentation titled "Reducing Time and Cost to the Closure of Contaminated Sites". His presentation featured new molecular biology tools and treatment technologies for the contaminated site remediation and monitoring.



Our next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held at Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, 3210 El Camino Real, Suite 150, Irvine, CA 92602. Please check the OC ACS website for more details. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Dr. Ganesh Rajagopalan (RGanesh@KennedyJenks.com) and Dr. Keisuke Ikehata (kikehata@pacewater.com).

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We would love to hear from you!

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