

Special Receptions

YOUR BADGE IS YOUR TICKET

Wear your badge for admission to these events. Your meeting registration fee covers these receptions. If your guest would like to accompany you, a guest registration must be purchased (guests will receive a special badge). The \$75 guest fee includes the Welcome Reception, Awards Ceremony, Tuesday General Reception, Wednesday "HumOR in OR" and continental breakfasts on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday (breakfasts held at the Sheraton Hotel).

SUNDAY

WELCOME RECEPTION & OPENING OF EXHIBITS

The Spirit of Seattle

7:30pm-9:00pm
Convention Center
Ballroom 6B, Exhibit Hall

INFORMS and the Seattle Organizing Committee welcome you to the 2007 Annual Meeting with an evening of fellowship and fun. We'll have an array of entertainers on hand—from stilt-walkers to jugglers and mimes—to help celebrate the unique "Spirit of Seattle." The Welcome Reception is the perfect venue to meet with colleagues, visit the exhibits and enjoy some great food. Soft drinks and water are complimentary, with a cash bar available for other beverages.

Thank You



Michael G. Foster School of Business
College of Engineering
College of Arts and Sciences
College of Forest Resources



INFORMS AWARDS CEREMONY & DESSERT RECEPTION

8:30pm-9:45pm
Convention Center
Ballroom 6E

The INFORMS Board of Directors invites you to honor and celebrate the achievements of our colleagues at the annual Awards Ceremony. You can attend the Welcome Reception first and then walk down the hall to join us for the Awards Ceremony. Following the ceremony, you'll have an opportunity to congratulate the awardees at a special dessert reception.

The society's 2007 awards will be bestowed on these deserving individuals:

Philip McCord Morse Lectureship Award
Lawrence M. Wein

INFORMS Prize for the Teaching of OR/MS Practice
Paul A. Jensen

INFORMS Expository Writing Prize
Paul H. Zipkin

John von Neumann Theory Prize
Arthur F. Veinott, Jr.

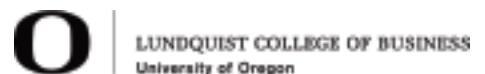
George E. Kimball Medal
Thomas M. Cook
Marshall Fisher

Frederick W. Lanchester Prize
David L. Applegate, Robert E. Bixby,
Vašek Chvátal, William J. Cook

INFORMS President's Award
Lawrence M. Wein

Two student paper awards will also be announced during the ceremony: the George E. Nicholson Student Paper Competition and the George B. Dantzig Dissertation Award. In addition, the winners of the Bonder Scholarships for Applied Operations Research in Health Science and in Military Applications will be presented.

Thank You



Awards Ceremony

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SEATTLE SPACE NEEDLE

Seattle's most famous landmark – the Space Needle – is located just across the plaza from EMP. You might want to take the opportunity to ride up to the observation deck to enjoy the panorama of the city at night. Show your INFORMS badge and you'll receive a \$2 discount off regular fares.

Special INFORMS rates are: adult \$14; youth, age 4-13, \$6; child under 3, free. The Space Needle is open until 11:00pm. Remember that the **last INFORMS bus returning to the Convention Center departs at 9:45pm.**

TUESDAY

EXPERIENCE MUSIC PROJECT

7:30pm-9:30pm (buses leave Convention Center beginning at 7:15pm)
Experience Music Project Museum (EMP)

See important bus information below.

You'll be inspired by this one-of-a-kind museum, housed in a stunning Frank Gehry-designed building. EMP combines interactive and interpretive exhibits that tell the story of the creative, innovative and rebellious expression that defines American popular music. The museum's grand hall, called Sky Church (based on a concept proposed by Jimi Hendrix) features the world's largest video screen, a 48,000-watt JBL surround-sound system and amazing computer controlled lighting. Another wing of the museum is devoted to fascinating science fiction displays.

You can try out performing on the On-Stage exhibit, create your own music in the Sound Lab and tour the extensive collection of music artifacts. A popular Seattle DJ will provide music perfect for dancing. All of this is open to INFORMS attendees for our dazzling General Reception. We'll be serving great food throughout the evening. Soft drinks and water are complimentary, with a cash bar available for other beverages.

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BUS INFORMATION

Convention Center to EMP and Return to Center

Buses will leave from the Convention Center beginning at 7:15pm. The bus pick-up location is at Convention Place on the entrance level (walk from the Center main entrance, past the retail shops, fountain and escalators to the back of the building). The drive to EMP is approximately 15 minutes. Buses will run continuously between the Center and EMP. For the return trip, buses will begin leaving EMP for the Center beginning at 8:15pm and run continuously. **The last returning bus will leave EMP at 9:45pm.**

Please note that all buses depart from and return to the Convention Center; buses do not go to INFORMS hotels.

WEDNESDAY

PLENARY & RECEPTION

HumOR in OR

5:10pm-6:00pm: Plenary and Reception
6:00pm-7:00pm: Reception
Convention Center-Ballroom 6E

OR is Everywhere!

(Some OR HumOR and HistORy)

Peter Norden, Columbia University

Even if you are not a formidable time-series extrapolatOR or comfortable with ORthogonal algORithms, do join our discussion to create a cORnucopia of a plethORa of "embedded OR" in this short panel session. Bring along any memories or examples of your experiences with our community's histORy of OR research and practice. This will be followed by a casual reception, with fun food, snacks and beer/wine (stopping just shORt of a snORt of pORt!).

Networking & Social Events

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

INFORMS Membership Meeting & Reception

5:00pm-6:00pm

Convention Center – Room 603

The INFORMS Board of Directors encourages all members to bring their ideas, opinions and suggestions to this annual membership meeting. Current business and future directions for INFORMS are on the agenda. Wine and cheese will be served.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Breakfast for New Members

7:00am-8:00am (Ticket Required)

Sheraton – Grand Ballroom C, Level 2

The INFORMS Membership Committee will host this breakfast to welcome and orient people who are new to INFORMS. Representatives from several INFORMS subdivisions will be on hand to provide information about their member services. Continental breakfast will be served. New members will receive a ticket for the breakfast with their registration materials.

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Junior Faculty Interest Group Luncheon

11:30am-1:00pm

Sheraton – Grand Ballroom D, Level 2

\$15.00 – A limited number of tickets will be available on-site. Go to the INFORMS registration desk for information on availability.

All junior faculty are invited to participate. This event gives junior faculty in engineering and business schools the opportunity to discuss career development and exchange ideas. A buffet lunch will be served.

Luncheon and JFIG paper competition are sponsored by the University of Maryland, Robert H. Smith School of Business, Department of Decision and Information Technologies; University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business; Texas A&M University, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering; and University of Virginia, Darden School of Business.

INFORMS Online Reception

6:00pm-7:00pm

Sheraton – Juniper, Level 2

What's your online strategy for yourself or for your INFORMS subdivision? How can INFORMS Online (IOL) help you advance that? Come and tell us over refreshments and drinks. We are your IOL team.

Minority Issues Forum Reception

8:00pm-9:00pm

Sheraton – Willow B, Level 2

Come meet old friends and make new ones while talking about minority issues and other intellectual issues and opportunities. Also, enjoy poster presentations from minority doctoral students from different departments from across the United States.

Sponsored by Cornell University, School of Operations Research and Industrial Engineering; and Northwestern University, Department of Industrial Engineering and Management Science.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

COIN-OR Members & Users Meeting & Bag Lunch

12:15pm-1:15pm

Convention Center – Room 613

Anyone interested in open-source software tools, open standards, and data and model repositories for any aspect of O.R. is encouraged to attend the Members and Users Meeting of the Computational Infrastructure for O.R. (COIN-OR). Bring your own lunch and ideas. For more information, visit www.coin-or.org.

CPMS Isolated Practitioner Workshop & Reception

6:15pm-7:15pm

Sheraton – Admiral, Level 3

CPMS, The Practice Section of INFORMS, sponsors this workshop on topics of interest to isolated practitioners, the "Lone Rangers" of OR/MS. The 24th workshop in this series will address timely issues that affect the isolated practitioner community. All are welcome to participate in the workshop, discussion and reception. Wine and cheese will be served.

Student Reception

7:30pm-9:00pm

Sheraton – Grand Ballroom C, Level 2

All students registered for the meeting are encouraged to attend this special reception for an opportunity to socialize and network with other students in your own field as well as those with different specialties and interests. Students will receive a ticket for the reception with their registration materials

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Women in OR/MS Forum Reception

8:00pm-10:00pm

Triple Door – 216 Union Street

All those interested in encouraging women in the OR/MS profession are invited to join us for a reception at the Triple Door, located 4 blocks from the Convention Center at the corner of Union Street and 2nd Avenue. Hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine will be served.

Sponsored by: ILOG, Inc.; University of Pittsburgh, Department of Industrial Engineering; University of Massachusetts, College of Engineering; Virginia Commonwealth University, Department of Statistical Sciences and Operations Research; University of Washington, College of Engineering; Georgia Institute of Technology, H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering; Penn State Berks.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Women in OR/MS Forum Business Meeting & Luncheon

12:30pm-1:30pm

Sheraton – Grand Ballroom D, Level 2

All those interested in issues related to women professionals in OR/MS are invited to join us for lively conversation at our business meeting. The third annual Award for the Advancement of Women in OR/MS will be presented.

Sponsored by: SAS Institute, Inc.; ILOG, Inc.; Georgia Institute of Technology, H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Academic/Practitioner Interface Luncheon

12:30pm-1:30pm

Convention Center – Room 4C

\$30 – Ticket required - sign up at the INFORMS registration desk.

Don't miss this opportunity to network with colleagues, both in the practice and academic arenas. Facilitated roundtable discussions will focus on academic-practitioner collaboration during this sit-down luncheon.

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