2009 Michelson/Sagan Fellowship Symposium

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The Sagan Program is part of NASA’s Exoplanet Exploration Program (ExEP), one of three science themed programs at NASA (including Cosmic Origins & Physics of the Cosmos).

The primary goal of missions within ExEP is to discover and characterize planetary systems and Earth-like planets around nearby stars.

The Sagan Program includes:
- Sagan Postdoctoral Fellowship Program
- Sagan Summer Workshops
- Sagan Visitors Program
This is our 2nd fellowship symposium

- Inaugural symposium was held in 2005
- Future symposia will be held bi-annually

Since the inception of the Michelson Program in 1999

- 54 fellowships have been awarded
- 15 PhDs have been generated
- Several hundred refereed papers have been published

Just received many applications for our 2010 Class of Sagan Fellows!
The Speakers (i.e. The Fellows!)

We have over ½ of the Michelson fellows and all of the Sagan fellows presenting!

Special Thanks to our speakers for submitting their presentations before the workshop!

PDFs of all submitted presentations can be found on-line at:
http://nexsci.caltech.edu/conferences/2009/fellows09/agenda.shtml
We have a very full agenda, so it is important that we stay on time

- **60 minutes talks:**
  - Includes 10 minutes for questions
  - Yellow card means 10 minutes left
  - Red card means 5 minutes left

- **25 minute talks:**
  - Includes 5 minutes for questions
  - Yellow card means 5 minutes left
  - Red card means 2 minutes left
  - Timer beeping means no time left!
Thursday Night Banquet

- 7:00 PM at Il Fornaio
- Reservation at Il Fornaio already set (i.e. no more tickets available)
  - Speakers must bring their badge
  - Non-speakers must bring $40 to give to either Kathy or Ellen
- No bus transportation will be provided
  - < 1 mile from workshop hotel (map in your folder)
- Sit down dinner choices are:
  1. vegetarian pasta (includes cheese)
  2. salmon
  3. chicken
  4. sausage/pasta
- Cash bar available
Meeting site:
Hameetman Auditorium,
Cahill Building
1216 E. California Blvd.

Il Fornaio Restaurant
24 W. Union St.

Old Pasadena and
Paseo Colorado
(shops/restaurants)

Sheraton Pasadena
303 E. Cordova St.

South Lake Ave.
(shops/restaurants)

In your NExScI folder & on the table: Symposium Agenda, Area map, NExScI information
General Information

- Auditorium is not locked, so leave items at your own risk
- If you don’t know where to go for lunch, ask Kathy at the registration desk for on and off campus options
- Travel reports are to be submitted *AFTER your return home*
- Travel Reports must include:
  - Completed reimbursement form (included in guidelines)
  - Original receipts
  - Working FAX number

**Reminders:**
- *No food/drink in the auditorium or the library, please!*
- *Dispose of your trash properly*
- *Silence your cell phones and laptops!*
Let’s Get Started!!

Have Fun and Enjoy the Symposium!!