

Present Your Original Research

You are invited to submit a title and abstract for the 58th Annual Meeting of the Aquatic Plant Management Society to be held July 15-18 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel and Conference Center, Buffalo, New York. Both oral and poster presentations are solicited for original research on the biology or ecology of aquatic and wetland plants, control methods (biological, chemical, cultural, mechanical) for invasive, exotic or nuisance plant or algal species, and restoration projects involving wetland or aquatic plants and algae.

This year's meeting is in the region of the Northeast Aquatic Plant Management Society, so regional presenters are strongly encouraged to submit abstracts. Presentations of original research will be given preference and should be indicated by including results in the abstract. Summaries of government management or regulatory programs, particularly those implementing novel aquatic plant management or organizational approaches, are also welcome.

Student Incentives

The Aquatic Plant Management Society especially invites student abstracts for oral and poster presentations. The Annual Meeting presents an opportunity for students to network with key government, university and industry representatives and peers with similar educational and professional interests. The society will provide all student presenters with room accommodations and complimentary registration. First, 2nd, and 3rd place prize money will be awarded in separate contests for both oral and poster presentations. In addition, all students are invited to attend a hands-on tour of aquatic plant management activities on surrounding waters beginning Thursday morning following the Annual Meeting.

Students may contact the APMS Student Affairs Committee Chair, Dr. Chris Mudge, with any questions at: CMudge@agcenter.lsu.edu.

Interactive Presentation Format

Oral presentations will be allotted a total of 15 minutes with an additional five minutes for questions and discussion. Contributed oral presentations should be scientific or technical in nature, which will be determined from the submitted abstract. An LCD projector/computer and laser pointer will be available for oral presentations. Only PC-based PowerPoint presentations will be accepted. All presenters will be required to upload their final PowerPoint presentation to the abstract submission portal prior to the meeting.

Note: All presentations that include externally run programs, models or special animation, must be reviewed and approved by the Program Chair prior to the meeting. You will not be allowed to set up a personal computer for your presentation.

A 90-minute poster reception is scheduled for Monday, July 16. Poster presenters discuss their research with attendees in the Exhibit hall while enjoying hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Free-standing display boards (4' x 4') will be provided for posters.

Please submit your information online on the WSSA Title and Abstract Submission System at <https://wssaabstracts.com/>. Instructions for abstract submittal are on the following page in this Newsletter. Acceptance of contributed papers will not occur until after the April 30, 2018 abstract deadline and will be confirmed by a separate e-mail.

The WSSA Title and Abstract Submission System is now active and will remain open until April 30, 2018.

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