

29th Annual Conference



H1N1, EVOLUTION AND THE PUBLIC'S UNDERSTANDING OF SCIENCE

Hosted
by
Westchester Community College
April 23rd - 25th, 2010

About the Conference

Theme H1N1, Evolution and the Public's Understanding of Science

When April 23-25, 2010

Host Westchester Community College

Where Westchester Community College, Science 102
75 Grasslands Rd,
Valhalla, NY 10595

Lodging La Quinta Inn & Suites Elmsford
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Brief Description:

Although access to information has increased substantially over the past decade, the public's understanding of science has consistently remained less than optimal. A simple internet search (using key words such as vaccines, alternative medicine, evolution, or climate change) can produce as much misinformation as information, leading to a false sense of "scientific" controversy with harmful effects on societal health and public policy. Therefore, the goal of the conference is to have a general discussion among our membership about this problem with a distinguished panel of leading thinkers from the fields of evolution, microbiology, medicine, ecology, and science journalism.

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(preliminary schedule/subject to change)

For more information click the highlighted text

FRIDAY, APRIL 23TH

6:00-8:00 *Registration and Reception*

[La Quinta](#)

SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH

8:00-9:30 *Registration and Breakfast*
(*Science Lounge*)

9:30-10:00 *Greetings and Introduction*

[Science 102](#)

10:00-11:45 *Session 1: Modeling H1N1 Evolution and Flu Vaccine Production*

[Raul Rabadan, Ph.D.](#)

Assistant Professor, Biomedical Informatics, Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons

[Doris Bucher, Ph.D.](#)

Associate Professor, Microbiology and Immunology
New York Medical College

11:45-1:00 *Poster Session and Lunch*

[Science Lounge](#)

1:00-2:45 *Session 2: Science-Based Medicine and Science in the Media*

[Science 102](#)

[Stephen Novella, MD.](#)

Science Blogger and Podcaster

Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
Yale Medical College

[Carl Zimmer, MA.](#)

Award-Winning Science Journalist

Lecturer, Yale University

Visiting Scholar, NYU's Authur L. Carter Journalism Institute

2:45-3:00 *Coffee Break*

[Science Lounge](#)

3:00-4:45 *Session 3: Experimental Evolution and EvoS*

[Gordon Plague, Ph.D.](#)

Assistant Professor, Evolution and Ecology
Fordham University

[David Sloan Wilson, Ph.D.](#) (*tentative*)

SUNY Distinguished Professor, Biology and Anthropology
Binghamton University

5:00-5:45 *Executive Committee Meeting*

[La Quinta](#) Banquet Room

6:00-7:00 *Buffett Dinner, Catered by Occasions by [Marc Charles](#),*

Banquet Lecture (followed by a general membership meeting):

The Mannahatta Project

[Eric Sanderson, Ph.D.](#)

Landscape Ecologist, Author and Principal Investigator of the Mannahatta Project
Wildlife Conservation Society/The Bronx Zoo

SUNDAY, APRIL 25TH

7:00-8:00 Traditional Bird Walk

(*Location TBD*)

8:00-9:00 Breakfast

(*Location TBD*)

REGISTRATION FORM

Empire State Association of Two Year College Biologists (ESATYCB)

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Name: _____ School: _____

Registration:	Member	\$55	_____
	Non-Member	\$70	_____
	Student	\$20	_____

(Registration includes admission to all workshops, seminars, and Saturday breakfast, lunch, and break.

Additional activities are shown below)

Please indicate which events you plan to attend..

Friday, April 23, 2010

5:00-7:00 p.m. Pre-registration (La Quita Hotel)

Saturday, April 24, 2010

8:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet/Guest Speaker free _____

12 p.m. Lunch free _____

6:30 p.m. Traditional Dinner Buffet \$40 _____

Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:00 a.m. Breakfast and Bird Walk \$15 _____

For ADA accommodations, please check here _____

If you are interested in serving on the Scholarship Committee, please check here _____

If you have any dietary restrictions, please check here and specify _____

2009-2010 Membership Dues (if not already paid) \$15 _____

Contribution to Scholarship Fund _____

TOTAL: _____

Please return the registration form and a check made payable to ESATYCB to:

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