



To: AAPG 2016 Honorees

From: Kendra McColloch, AAPG Meeting Planner
Amy Mahan, AAPG Event Coordinator

Re: AAPG 2016 ACE Opening Session & Awards Ceremony

On behalf of AAPG it is our honor to congratulate you on receiving this prestigious award. You will be honored and presented the award during the Awards Ceremony in the Opening Session at the AAPG 2016 Annual Convention and Exhibition (ACE) which begins at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, 19 June in the Palomino Ballroom of the Calgary Stampede BMO Centre in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

We are in the process of finalizing details for this event and need information from you to ensure it runs smoothly for everyone:

- Please let us know if you are planning to attend ACE 2016 in Calgary to receive your award by completing the [Awardee Confirmation of Attendance Form](#) and **returning it no later than Thursday, 21 April**. You can email it to either Amy Mahan at AMahan@aapg.org or Kendra McColloch at KMcColloch@aapg.org or fax it to + 1 918 560 2684.
- Please include the total number of reserved seats needed on the [attached form](#) to ensure we have adequate seating in a special reserved section near the stage for your guests. Please note that during the ceremony, you will be seated in a designated area with other award winners.
- For security reasons, all participants must be registered for the event. Awardees can register online at [AAPG ONLINE REGISTRATION](#) or you can also download the form from the [AAPG REGISTRATION WEBSITE](#).
- Guests are not required to register for the entire convention, but to allow them access to all of Sunday's festivities they may register for an Exhibition-only pass. **AAPG provides you with two (2) complimentary Sunday Guest Registrations and additional registrations may be purchased for US \$100.00.** Please send an email with the individual names of who will be utilizing the two complimentary Sunday Guest Registrations along with their contact information so that we may send them a Priority Code to register online. All badges will be available for pick up in the Registration area beginning Saturday, 18 June at 9:00 a.m. Registration will be located inside Exhibition Halls D&E adjacent to the Palomino Ballroom. ***Please avoid waiting until just before the Opening Session to retrieve your badges as Sunday registration can get quite busy.***
- ****IMPORTANT**** Individual photographs of all award recipients with AAPG President John Hogg will be taken at **1:30 p.m. on Sunday, 19 June** prior to the Opening Session. You will be given final logistics regarding the flow of the Awards Ceremony including instructions for where you will need to be and when – please do not miss this appointment!



- The Opening Session and Awards Ceremony will be preceded by the IBA Ceremony where the winners of this year's Imperial Barrel Awards Competition will be announced at 3:00 p.m. You are formally invited and encouraged to stay after the photography session and invite your guests to attend and support this special event. **If your schedule does not allow, then please plan to meet back at the entrance to the Palomino Ballroom no later than 3:30 p.m.** Upon conclusion of the IBA Ceremony, we will ensure you and your guests are escorted to the reserved seating areas prior to the start of the Opening Session and Awards Ceremony.
- **All award winners will be escorted to a special section of the ballroom behind the stage.** This provides better access to the stage. When your name is called and your citation is read, you will be directed and aided onto the stage where AAPG President John Hogg, assisted by AAPG Executive Director David Curtiss, will present your award. You will then exit the stage back to your designated seat with the other award winners. Upon conclusion of the ceremony, all honorees will have the opportunity to greet family, friends, visitors and other guests near the front of the ballroom.
- Don't forget to book your Hotel Accommodations in Calgary. You can book direct through the official [AAPG Housing Bureau online](#) or download the Accommodations form from the [AAPG Register and Travel Menu/Where to Stay](#) section of the website.

Again, congratulations on your award, we look forward to seeing you in Calgary! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

cc: John Hogg, AAPG President
Steven Brachman, AAPG Regions Vice President
David Curtiss, AAPG Executive Director
Paul MacKay, Convention General Chair

Enc: Awardee Confirmation of Attendance Information Form (PDF)