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## THANKS TO OUR SOCIETY'S COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Meteoritical Society would like to extend its sincere thanks to all those members who are serving on society committees this year. We have listed their names below, with the names of the committee chairs in bold. Without the generous help of these members, the Met Soc could not function. We greatly appreciate their help!

### Officers and Council

#### Elected Officers and Councilors of the Society

<b>Nancy Chabot</b>	<b>President</b>
<b>Guy Consolmagno</b>	<b>Vice President</b>
<b>Brigitte Zanda</b>	<b>Past President</b>
<b>Jutta Zipfel</b>	<b>Secretary</b>
<b>Tasha Dunn</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
<b>Candace Kohl</b>	<b>Deputy Treasurer</b>
Henner Busemann	Councilor
Byeon-Gak Choi	Councilor
Alvaro Crósta	Councilor
Sarah Crowther	Councilor
Elena Dobrică	Councilor
Denton Ebel	Councilor
Marina Ivanova	Councilor
Ann Nguyen	Councilor

### Editorial Personnel

#### Editors of the Society's publications

Tim Jull	Editor of <i>Meteoritics and Planetary Science</i>
Jeff Catalano	Executive Editor of <i>Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta</i>
Cari Corrigan	Editor of the Meteoritical Society contributions to <i>Elements</i>

### Ethics Committee

Addresses ethics complaints brought to the attention of the society, following guidelines laid out in the Code of Ethics

<b>Brigitte Zanda (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Trevor Ireland	2025
Rhonda Stroud	2026

### Leonard Medal Committee

Recommends candidates for the Leonard Medal, Nier Prize, and election of Fellows

<b>Alexander N. Krot (chair)</b>	<b>2025</b>
Larry R. Nittler	2026
Audrey Bouvier	2027
Gretchen Benedix	2028
Takashi Mikouchi	2029

### Barringer Award Committee

Recommends candidates for the Barringer Award for outstanding work in the field of impact cratering

<b>Thomas Kenkmann (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Ludovic Ferrière	2025
Hasnaa Chennaoui Aoudjehane	2026
Gareth Collins	2027

### Publications Committee

Oversight for the Society's journal *Meteoritics and Planetary Science*

Janice Bishop	2024
<b>Susanne Schwenzer (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Wataru Fujiya	2025
Rhiannon Mayne	2025
Daniel Glavin	2026
John Spray	2026
Ex officio member: the Society Treasurer, Tasha Dunn	

### Joint Publications Committee

Oversight of the Journal *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*

Caroline Peacock (GS)	2023
<b>Conel Alexander (MS) (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Fang-Zhen Teng (GS)	2024
Matthew Fantle (GS)	2025
Maria Schönbacher (MS)	2025
Shogo Tachibana (MS)	2026

### Endowment Committee

Oversees the Society's investment fund

Dennis Harries	2024
Gary Huss	2024
<b>Drew Barringer (co-chair)</b>	<b>2025</b>
<b>Rhian Jones (co-chair)</b>	<b>2025</b>
Candace Kohl	2025

Ex officio member:  
Treasurer of the Meteoritical Society, Tasha Dunn

### Audit Committee

Produces an audit of the Treasurer's annual report for each fiscal year

<b>Dominik Hezel (chair)</b>	<b>2025</b>
Andrew Beck	2024
Katherine Bermingham	2026

## RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!

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### Nomenclature Committee

Defines guidelines for the naming of meteorites, and approves new names; publication of the Meteoritical Bulletin and the Meteoritical Bulletin Database.

Katherine Joy	2024
<b>Francis McCubbin (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Bingkui Miao	2024
Camille Cartier	2025
Devin Schrader	2025
Bidong Zhang	2025
Cyrena Goodrich	2026
Ansgar Greshake	2026
Juliane Gross	2026

Ex officio members: Vice-President of the Society (Guy Consolmagno) and the Editors of the Meteoritical Bulletin (Jerome Gattacceca) and the Meteoritical Bulletin Database (Jeff Grossman).

### Pellas-Ryder Award Committee

Recommends candidates for the Pellas-Ryder Award for the Best Student Paper in Planetary Sciences

<b>Sam Birch GSA (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Aki Takigawa (MS)	2024
Ashley King (MS)	2025
Jen Piatek (GSA)	2025
Jim Karner (MS)	2026
Lauren Jozwiak (GSA)	2026

### Nominating Committee

Nominates Society's officers and councilors

<b>Tim Swindle (chair)</b>	<b>2024</b>
Tim Fagan	2024
Kuljeet Marhas	2024
Caroline Smith	2024
Miriam Telus	2024
Kai Wünnemann	2024

### Membership Committee

Recruit and retain members; advise the Council on membership issues and the Service Award recipient

Natasha Almeida	2024
Ian Sanders (Ed Scott Lectures)	2024
<b>Romy Hanna (chair)</b>	<b>2025</b>
Queenie Chan (Newsletter Editor)	2025
Juliette Faucher	2025
Michelle Thompson	2025
Maizey Benner	2026
Tomohiro Usui	2026
Kai Wünnemann	2026

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

### MSA at the Tucson Gem & Mineral Show 2024



Donna Whitney

In the last MSA Society News, I wrote about new ideas for interactions between MSA and other mineralogical communities beyond those involved in mineral sciences research. One example that I gave was the Tucson (Arizona, USA) Gem and Mineral Show. I wrote about this example in advance of the show, which takes place annually in February, and now I am writing about my experiences at the show, which I attended for the first time.

The official center of the show is held at the Tucson Convention Center, where there is an

exhibit hall with minerals and mineral-related items for sale, as well as a place for educational and information booths such as the MSA booth. There are also many other sites around Tucson where minerals, gems, fossils, and related items are sold—these sites range from enormous tents to small shops and hotel rooms.

At the convention center, MSA has a booth similar to the one that we have at the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting, but with some differences to account for the different audience. For example, on the Friday of the show, many school groups from the Tucson area come to the convention center. On the weekend, there are a lot of families at the show. MSA is very grateful to the Tucson Gem and Mineral Society, the organizers, and, in particular, Patricia McClain, for their help in facilitating the workshops and other aspects of MSA's involvement in the show.

The efforts and creative energies of MSA Executive Director Ann Benbow, Emeritus Executive Director Alex Speer, and MSA members Thomas Hale and John Rakovan, as well as Monica Rakovan, are the reason for



Joint booths of the MSA, MAC, and Minerals in Context at the 2024 Tucson Gem and Mineral Show. PHOTO: J. ALEX SPEER.

the success of the booth, which MSA shares with the Mineralogical Association of Canada (MAC) and the Minerals in Context non-profit organization created and led by Thomas Hale.

The MAC booth had publications—including two books on pegmatites, both of which sold out. (Not surprisingly, as the theme of the 2024 Tucson Show was pegmatites.) The MSA booth had free items such as an *Elements* magazine-themed periodic table of the elements. MSA brought 400 copies, and all were taken. Also popular were geology-themed stickers, MSA logo stickers, and educational displays such as the ones on cobalt, mineral density, electric car batteries, and the mineral content of pencil “leads.”

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#### McKay Award Committee

Nominates candidates for the best student presentation at the annual meeting

**Alex Ruzicka (chair) 2024**

Vincianne DeBaille (vice-chair) 2024

#### Jessberger Award Committee

Recommends candidates of outstanding mid-career femal isotope geochemists for the Jessberger Award

Noriko Kita 2025

Sara Russell 2025

Larry Nittler (Leonard Medal Committee liaison) 2026

**Thomas Stephan (chair) 2027**

Monica Grady 2029

#### Impact Cratering Committee

Defining criteria for the identification of impact craters/structures; publication of a terrestrial impact crater database

Natalia Hauser 2024

Christian Koeberl 2024

Gordon Osiniski 2024

David Baratoux 2025

**Aaron Cavosie (chair) 2025**

Anne-Marie Pickersgill 2025

Sanna Alwmark 2026

Thomas Kenkmann 2026

Ex officio members:

Guy Consolmagno (Vice-President)

and Ludovic Ferriere (Database-Editor, 2026)

#### Outreach ad hoc Committee

Publicizes the society's content to the broader scientific community

Adriana Araujo 2024

Soukaina Arif 2024

Sophie Benaroya 2024

Philippe Claeys 2024

Cari Corrigan 2024

Dustin Dickens 2024

Ania Losiak 2024

Hayley Lowe 2024

**Gordon Osinski (chair) 2025**

Petanki Soro 2024

Jason Williams 2024

## ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE

<b>2024</b>	28 July–2 August	Brussels, Belgium (EU)
<b>2025</b>	13–18 July	Perth, Western Australia (Australia)
<b>2026</b>	9–14 August	Frankfurt, Germany (EU)
<b>2027</b>	Dates TBD	Flagstaff, Arizona (USA)