



Are you ready for **#Dros19**? Have you:

Previewed the <u>Schedule of Events</u> ?
Created your <u>presentation</u> ?
Downloaded the Mobile App?
Downloaded the pdf of the Full Abstract text?
Printed your confirmation email?
Reviewed the <u>Code of Conduct</u> ?
Tweeted about going to #DROS19?

We are looking forward to seeing you next week at the 60th Annual Drosophila Research Conference being held at the Sheraton Dallas (TX). This email has all the information you need to make the most of the meeting.

Mobile App

Download the GSA Meeting <u>mobile app</u> now to access complete abstract and speaker information; the <u>schedule of events</u>; list of exhibitors and sponsors; and venue maps. You can also build a personalized schedule.

Ground Transportation to the Meeting

While there is no designated hotel shuttle, the Sheraton Dallas recommends Super Shuttle (use code D2S7X for a 10% discount), Uber, Lyft, and public transportation through Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART). Daily parking rates at the hotel are \$23 for self-parking and \$31 for valet. Additional self-parking lots are available nearby.

Conference Registration Desk

The Conference Registration Desk will open on Wednesday, March 27 at 3:30 p.m. in the Grand Hall of the hotel. The Grand Hall is located across the skybridge in the Sheraton Dallas Conference Center. Please bring your receipt/confirmation to make check-in quick and easy. If you purchased a T-shirt

during registration, you can pick it up at the conference registration desk. You can also purchase a T-shirt on site, but availability is limited.

Abstracts

You can view abstracts online via the <u>schedule of events</u>, <u>online planner</u>, and <u>mobile app</u>. If you would like a printed version of the body of the abstracts, remember to download the <u>pdf</u>.

Nursing Mothers' Room

Pearl 3 on the second floor of the hotel will be open daily for nursing mothers.

Oral and Poster Presentations

Review the <u>author assignments</u> page to see when you will be presenting, what computer equipment will be available to you, and the dimensions of your poster board. <u>Oral</u> and <u>poster</u> presentation guidelines are also available. Please note that oral presentations should be in 16:9 aspect ratio. Poster boards this year are larger than in the past, and poster presenters will be sharing half of a 4' high by 8' wide board, so posters should be no larger than 44" wide by 46" tall. You can have your poster waiting for you when you arrive by contacting <u>Penfields</u> at the Sheraton Dallas. A special price has been arranged for attendees.

Special Events

Tickets are still available for the Community, Connections, and Lunch event, as well as the Publishing Q&A. <u>Add these events</u> to your registration while space is still available.

Meals

Meals are not included in your registration fee. However, in addition to the restaurants on site, the hotel is connected to the Plaza of the Americas, which has a food court. Also, because of the hotel's downtown location, you will have access to dozens of other local dining options. The hotel concierge can help you find a place to dine that will satisfy your palate and budget. Keep in mind that opening session begins at 7 p.m. so you'll want to grab dinner prior. The mixer after the opening session will only have light snacks.

Wi-Fi Access

Complimentary high speed Wi-Fi access will be available in the meeting space. Select the Meetings@Sheraton network and enter the access code, GSADROS19. Attendees staying at the Sheraton Dallas will also have complimentary high speed Wi-Fi available in their guest room. Access information will be provided upon check-in.

What to Wear

Attire is casual. Plan to wear layers to adjust to the varying temperatures in the meeting rooms and outdoors.

Questions? Please contact sbrown@genetics-gsa.org. We hope you have an exciting and productive meeting!

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