OPS 2023 Annual Program-Volunteer Opportunities!

One of the wonderful things about the OPS is that it is a society that is run by volunteers. Our volunteers are passionate and committed to making the OPS a vital and valuable resource to our members and those in our field. The Annual Program provides some great opportunities for new and veteran photographers to join the team of volunteers that produces our exceptional program. You can earn continuing education credits, get to know others in our field and support our educational program by volunteering! There are a variety of ways you can be involved at this year’s Annual Program being held November 3-5 at The Westin St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco.

**Room monitors** are needed for every lecture and workshop in the program. In exchange for performing some classroom duties such as overseeing attendance and course materials, you will **pay the general pre-registration fee** when you register. [You will not pay the course fees for the courses that you monitor. You will only need to pay course fees for those courses you do not serve as a room monitor.] Room monitors must contribute a minimum of 12 hours. In a time when our employers are spending less money on our continuing education programs this can make a difference. Training will be done on a Zoom a few days prior to the Annual Program. Hurry! Sign up BEFORE you register for any courses! These positions fill fast. If you are interested or have any questions contact: Holly Cheshier, BOE Volunteer Committee at hollychesh12@gmail.com

**Workshop Equipment Set-Up** – Assistance is needed in getting all of the instruments from the storage area into the appropriate rooms for the hands-on workshops. We will need 5-6 individuals to help move equipment each morning and each afternoon on Friday, November 3, Saturday, November 4, and Sunday, November 5. If you are interested in assisting with equipment in any way, please contact Mike Mackens at (972) 804-6293 or by email at mmackens@texasretina.com.

**Audio Visual Equipment Assistants** are needed for setting up data projectors and trouble shooting computers for speakers. Please consider volunteering some of your time at the annual program by contributing a couple of hours to help with the A.V. equipment logistics. It is a great opportunity to make new friends while giving a big boost to the program! If you are interested, please contact Shannon McLaughlin by email at lovetohelpyousee@yahoo.com

**Workshop Instructors** are needed for a variety of topics including OCT, fundus photography, ultrasonography, and slit lamp photography. This is a rewarding way to contribute to the OPS, to network, and to work on your training skills, as well as earn a free CE credit for each workshop you help instruct. Teaching guidelines/objectives will be provided to you by the Workshop Coordinator. Workshop instructors mentor students through the workshop by addressing their questions and guiding the group of students through various aspects of the imaging process. Instructors are chosen by the Workshop Coordinators during the summer months, and the spots fill fast. Please contact Megan Walsh, Workshop Chair at mboptimal@yahoo.com to get connected to the appropriate OPS Workshop Coordinator for our 2023 San Francisco Annual Program.

**Registration Helpers** – Assistance is needed to help hand out the pre-registration packets on Friday, November 3rd. If you are available to help, please contact Barbara McCalley by phone at 800-403-1677 or email: ops@opsweb.org

Don’t miss out on these great opportunities to get to know new people, build a network of contacts in the field and get involved with our organization! We hope to hear from you soon!