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is the World Parkinson Coalition newest Partner organization!

The WPC is very appreciative of all the hard work our Partners do in promoting the Congress.

See all 161 **WPC Partners** from 44 countries and let us know if your organization would like to join us!

May 2013 eNews

Dear Friend:

The 3rd World Parkinson Congress is shaping up to be the "can't miss" meeting of the year! With just five months to go, we have closed submissions for travel grants, abstracts, and the video competition. We received record numbers of applicants in all these WPC programs and the videos we received are amazing!

Visit our [YouTube page](#) to view the 112 submitted videos. The Top 10 videos will be announced in June. The Grand Prize winner will be announced at the Opening Ceremony, where the video will also be played, on October 1st. A great number of videos will be shown and highlighted at the WPC with opportunities to meet and hear the videographer's story each day.

The Renewal Room schedule has been set with a dynamic group of presenters and sessions. Make sure to allow time to sign up for a session in this room where delegates will be able to try activities such as dance, yoga, tai chi, singing and laughing to work out the kinks of sitting in chairs all day. [See more here.](#) You may even recognize some of the Renewal Room instructors from videos they submitted to our contest. They are a talented group!

Thanks to all our friends who stopped by the WPC booth at the recent NYC Parkinson's Unity Walk! We loved meeting you and look forward to seeing you in Montreal. For those of you in Australia, look for the WPC table at the upcoming Asian Parkinson Parkinson's Association Meeting and the Movement Disorder Society meeting in Sydney in mid-June. Stop by to say hello!

Kathryn & John McAvoy, Turners Fall, MA	Roslyn Helfen, Westfield, NJ
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[Take our survey and win a WPC hat.](#) The inspiring thing about the WPC program is that it's designed BY the community FOR the community. Our session on "*Ethical dilemmas posed by new diagnostic and therapeutic technologies*" is being prepared now and the speakers are inviting delegates to give input on the topic to help them prepare the best talks possible based on your interest. For those who take the survey, your name will be put into drawing to win a WPC 2013 baseball hat. You can expect more surveys over the summer to help speakers shape the talks they are planning to give. Thank you in advance for your time and opinions! [Take our survey!](#)

The WPC 2013 Video
Competition has closed.

[View submitted videos on our
YouTube page.](#)



If the WPC 2013 will be your first time at a major international Parkinson's conference, we look forward to welcoming you and sharing with you the outstanding experience and memories that the unique triennial WPCs can offer.

See you in Montréal!

WPC 2013 Renewal Room Schedule

We are very happy to announce the schedule for the Renewal Room at the WPC 2013! With sessions as broad as Clay Therapy all the way to boxing, WPC delegates will definitely be able to find a session that is right for them and their needs. Don't miss this space! .

[Learn about the sessions and presenters.](#)

Sessions will have limited space. Sign-up will be required on site.

Early Bird Registration

Have you registered for the WPC 2013 yet? If not, what are you waiting for?! Early Bird Registration closes on July 2nd. **After this day, registration fees will increase.**

[Registration is available online on by clicking here.](#)

The earlier you register, the sooner you can get a Parkinson's Buddy! [*Buddies program is for people with Parkinson's and care partners/givers only*] Only WPC 2013 registrants are eligible to apply for the opportunity to connect with an international Buddy who is also attending the Congress.

[Learn more about the Buddies Program](#)

Ambassador Highlight: Jon Stamford

Jon is a neuroscientist with a double interest in Parkinson's disease. As well as leading a research laboratory investigating the neurochemistry of Parkinson's for more than a decade, Dr. Stamford also has young onset Parkinson's.

He has published three neuroscience books and more than 200 research publications in an academic career lasting 23 years. With fellow WPC 2013 Ambassadors Sara Riggare and Tom Isaacs, [Parkinson's Movement, an initiative of The Cure Parkinson's Trust](#). "Parkinson's Movement fully endorses the aims and objectives of the Parkinson's Pledge. Parkinson's is a world problem and requires concerted global action by the Parkinson's community to bring an end to this pernicious disease. Parkinson's Movement stands shoulder to shoulder with the WPC in supporting this initiative."

Jon looks forward to meeting you in Montréal this October!

[Learn more about all the WPC Ambassadors.](#) Invite Jon to meet with your group or Skype with your group about the WPC. Connect with Jon and jon@worldpdcongress.org.

Late Breaking Abstracts

Thank you to all of our abstract submitters! Notifications of acceptance will go out by June 3, 2013.

Did you get data on your research after the abstract submission deadline? Don't fret! We will accept late breaking abstracts for a two-week period from July 1 - July 15, 2013. The submission site will open on Monday, July 1 and will close on Monday, July 15, 2013 at 11:59PM ET (US).

[Learn more about the late breaking submission process.](#)

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Please forward this WPC eNEWS to another person! We look forward to seeing you on October 1 in Montréal, Canada.