

Thomas Metcalf SPD Travel Awards for 2015 – Call for Proposals from Meeting Organizers

The Solar Physics Division (SPD) of the American Astronomical Society is pleased to announce the Thomas Metcalf SPD Travel Award program for 2015. The Thomas Metcalf SPD Travel Fund was established in 2007 with generous contributions from his family and many others to help newer members attend meetings relevant to solar physics. Meeting Organizers will select Metcalf Lecturers who can make significant contributions to the meeting.

One or two meetings will be selected for support by the Fund on the basis of brief proposals **from meeting organizers**. Use of the Fund is not limited to meetings of the SPD. The amount available this year for all awards is expected to be at least \$7000.

Organizers of solar physics meetings that will take place before December 31, 2015 are encouraged to submit proposals to the Chair of the Metcalf Travel Award Committee by **7 January, 2015**.

Meeting organizers must:

- Indicate in their application how they plan to use the funds to maximize the impact of their meeting on the field of solar physics. Proposals should be no more than two pages, including a budget and meeting description. See web site for additional guidelines.
- Submit their proposal no later than 7 January, 2015 to the Chair of the Metcalf Travel Award Committee at JTHoeksema@spd.aas.org.
- Once selected, broadly invite qualified individuals to submit travel award applications. Applications should be simple and brief, but require at least an abstract, a CV, and letter of recommendation.
- Make awards to one or more recent PhD's and advanced graduate students on the basis of both meeting relevance and the Metcalf Lecturers' potential for future contributions to the field of solar physics.
- Recognize Metcalf Lecturers in the meeting program.
- Determine the amount of each award, in consultation with the Chair of the Metcalf Travel Award Committee.

Metcalf Lecturers must:

- Apply directly to the meeting organizer, not to the Metcalf Travel Award Committee.
- Have been awarded their PhD since January 2011 or be a student within one year of completing their degree.
- Be a regular, affiliate, or student member of the SPD.
- Not have received a Metcalf Travel Award in the past.
- Present their work at the meeting as requested by the meeting organizers.
- Submit to the MTAC Chair, after the meeting, a one-page report describing their contribution.

For additional information about the program, please see http://spd.aas.org/spd_metcalf_travel.html

If you would like to contribute to the fund, see

https://members.aas.org/services/aas_member/Donate_Now/GiveNowSingle/AAS_Member/Fundraising/GiveNowSingle.aspx?ItemID=D_TMETCALF

Metcalf Travel Award Committee:

- Todd Hoeksema, Chair
- Marc DeRosa
- Mark Miesch
- Kathy Reeves