

## **Announcing the Spring 2013 SEERS Meeting**

Hold the Date! The spring meeting of the Southeastern Estuarine Research Society (SEERS) will be held Wednesday 17 April-Friday 19 April 2013 at the Fort Johnson Marine Resources Center in Charleston, SC

All events – workshop, posters, talks, and lunch will be at the Fort Johnson Marine Resources Center in Charleston, SC.

Online Registration and Abstract submission is now open.

<http://www.seers.org/upcoming-meeting>

Early registration & abstract submission ends at 12:00 noon on Wednesday 6 March 2013.

### **Tentative Schedule:**

#### **Wednesday 17 April**

- 1:30-4:30: Free workshop on Green Infrastructure for Coastal Resilience (NOAA/CCEHBR Auditorium)
- 4:30-5:30: Afternoon Registration (MRRI Lobby)
- 5:30-7:30: Evening poster session with snacks and beverages (MRRI Lobby)

#### **Thursday 18 April**

- 8:00-5:00: Oral Presentation Sessions all day (MRRI Auditorium)
- Lunch (DNR Outdoor Classroom)
- 5:00-6:00: SEERS Business meeting (all members encouraged to attend and student travel awards distributed) (MRRI Auditorium)
- 6:00-8:00: Evening Banquet (DNR Outdoor Classroom)

#### **Friday 19 April**

- 8:00-1:00: Half-day Oral Presentation Session (MRRI Auditorium)

### **Student travel awards:**

Applications due by 12:00 p.m. noon on Wednesday 6 March 2013. The application form is available on the website: <http://www.seers.org/students/student-travel>

### **Lodging:**

A block of rooms is available at La Quinta – Charleston – Riverview Hotel for \$93.60/night for two people or \$98.10/night for four people. This rate is good for April 17 and 18 and includes a free breakfast. This rate is only available until March 27, 2013. This is a great rate for Charleston in April. To make a reservation call 1-866-527-1498 and refer to the Confirmation Code: 2041GRCOGB to receive this great rate.

## **Workshop:**

### **Introducing Green Infrastructure for Coastal Resilience Workshop by NOAA's Coastal Services Center**

Green Infrastructure is a network of natural areas that benefits nature and people. The green infrastructure approach to community planning helps diverse community members come together to balance environmental and economic goals.

**Course Description:** This three-hour course led by NOAA Coastal Services Center staff will introduce participants to the fundamental green infrastructure concepts that play a critical role in making coastal communities more resilient to natural hazards. Through lectures, group discussions, and exercises, participants will identify natural assets in their communities that improve coastal resilience and will identify key stakeholders and planning processes that can support green infrastructure network design and protection.

This free workshop is limited to 30 people attending the SEERS meeting. It will be held in the NOAA CCEHBR Auditorium.

## **Registration fees:**

student member price	\$30.00
student + membership	\$45.00
student nonmember	\$50.00
regular member price	\$65.00
reg + membership	\$85.00
reg nonmember	\$95.00
one-day, no banquet	\$45.00
extra banquet ticket	\$20.00

Please register online at: <http://www.seers.org/upcoming-meeting>. We accept payments via PayPal or check.

We anticipate a very full schedule with oral sessions on Thursday and Friday, so please plan on attending the entire meeting if you are planning to give a talk.

**Further information will be posted on the SEERS website ([www.SEERS.org](http://www.SEERS.org)) as it becomes available.**

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**We hope to see you all in April!**

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