

Ocular Heritage Society
Annual Meeting
Virginia Beach, VA, May 7 – 11, 2025

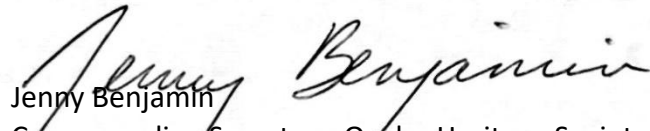
You are cordially invited to attend the 2025 annual meeting of the Ocular Heritage Society. This meeting will be held in Virginia Beach, Virginia, May 7-11. Virginia Beach holds the Guinness Book of World's Records spot for the longest pleasure beach, stretching over 35 miles! Enclosed in this packet you will find information for the meeting including:

- **Tentative schedule**
- **Hotel and Airport information**
- **Meeting registration (due April 7, 2025)**
- **Annual dues notice**
- **Call for papers (due April 7, 2025)**
- **Auction notice**

We are excited to have a chance to gather, greet new members, and reconnect with old friends. Please contact Drew Miller if you have any questions related to the annual meeting:

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(757) 285-6769

Best,


Jenny Benjamin
Corresponding Secretary, Ocular Heritage Society

SPECIAL NOTE:

Meeting Registration is due to **Tony Chahine** by **April 7, 2025**
Call for Papers form is due to **Drew Miller** by **April 7, 2025**

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Tentative Schedule Outline

Wednesday, May 7	Arrival Day!	
	7:00 pm	Welcome reception at Orion’s Roof, a rooftop restaurant located 2 blocks from the hotel
Thursday, May 8		
	8:45 am	Bus to Colonial Williamsburg
	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Museum
	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch at Kings Arms Tavern (included)
	1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Free time to explore Colonial Williamsburg
	4:30 pm	Bus back to hotel
	5:30 pm	Arrive back at hotel. Dinner on your own.
Friday, May 9		
	8:30 am	Bus to Drew’s office and mini museum
	8:45 am – 9:45 am	Visit Drew’s office
	9:45 am	Bus to Chrysler Museum
	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Guided tour of Chrysler Museum of Art
	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Glass blowing demonstration
	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch at museum café (on your own)
	2:00 pm	Bus to Drew’s house
	2:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Explore Drew’s collection and Eyeseum
	5:00 pm	Bus back to hotel
	5:30 pm	Arrive back at hotel. Dinner on your own.
Saturday, May 10	Meeting Day	
	8:00 am – 8:30 am	Show, tell, sell
	8:30 am – 12:00 pm	Historical talks
	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch (included)

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	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Historical talks
	3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Auction
	4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Business meeting
	5:00 pm	Meeting adjourns
	6:30pm – 8:00 pm	Annual Banquet at hotel (included)
Sunday, May 11	Safe Travels!	There's no place like home...!

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Tentative Schedule

Wednesday, May 7

Welcome! Members are encouraged to arrive in Virginia Beach in time for an informal welcome reception at 7:00 pm at Orion's Roof, a restaurant located two blocks from the hotel, with expansive views of the Atlantic Ocean and Virginia Beach boardwalk. <https://orionsroofvb.com/>

Thursday, May 8

Breakfast will be on your own. The hotel restaurant serves breakfast daily, but there are also a few other breakfast establishments located within walking distance of the hotel. Today we will visit Colonial Williamsburg, the world's largest living-history museum, boasting more than 600 buildings (88 of them original 18th-Century) and more than 40 demonstration sites and trades. We will start with a tour of the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Museum and its' vast collection of colonial era artifacts, including optical trade signs, silver spectacles, and other optical devices. We will eat lunch at the Kings Arms Tavern, an authentic colonial style restaurant. In the afternoon, feel free to walk the grounds, shop, take a carriage ride, visit the governor's mansion, and just immerse yourself back in time. When we get back to the hotel, you can explore dinner and the oceanfront on your own, there are many restaurants within walking distance of the hotel.

Friday, May 9

Breakfast will be on your own. We will start the day at Drew's office, exploring the art and ophthalmic collection he has there. Then we are off to the Chrysler Museum of Art. Founded in 1933, and expanded by Walter P. Chrysler in 1971, it is a world class museum holding over 30,000 artworks and the east coast's largest glass collection. We will attend a glassblowing demonstration and eat lunch in the museum's café (self-pay). In the afternoon, we will visit Drew's "Eyeseum" with light refreshments and drinks. Dinner and evening will be on your own. <https://www.eyeseum.us/>

Saturday, May 10

Today will be our historical talks, auction and business meeting. Breakfast and lunch will not be provided for meeting attendees, but the hotel has 3 restaurants, The Greenery, The Square Whale, and the Isle of Capri. This evening the annual banquet will be held at 6:30 pm at the Isle of Capri restaurant located in the hotel featuring upscale Italian food.

Sunday, May 11

Safe travels!

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Hotel Information

Holiday Inn North Beach
3900 Atlantic Ave
Virginia Beach, Virginia
1-757-428-1711

Room rate is \$199.00 /night
Here is the link to use if you are booking online

https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/find-hotels/select-roomrate?fromRedirect=true&qSrt=sBR&qIta=99801505&icdv=99801505&qDest=3900%20Atlantic%20Ave,%20Virginia%20Beach,%20VA%2023451,%20USA&qErm=false&qSIH=orfob&qRms=1&qAdlt=1&qChld=0&qCiD=07&qCiMy=042025&qCoD=08&qCoMy=042025&qGrpCd=OCU&qAAR=6CBARC&qRtP=6CBARC&setPMCookies=true&qSHBrC=HI&qpMbw=0&qpMn=0&srb_u=1&qChange=&qRmFltr=

If you wish to call, please tell them the group code is OCU

*****BE CAREFUL TO GET THE RIGHT HOTEL! THERE ARE 3 HOLIDAY INNS AT THE VIRGINIA BEACH OCEANFRONT!!*****

Airports

Norfolk International Airport
You can take a taxi, Uber or Lyft to the hotel. It takes about 25 minutes from the airport.

Questions?

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Meeting Registration

Please list how many will be attending each event, even if costs are included. This allows us to give an accurate count to restaurants, the hotel, etc. Thank You!

Name(s):			
Address:			
Email:		Phone:	
Event	Price/Person	# Attending	Total Amount
<i>Current</i> Member Registration fee	\$250	X	=
<i>New</i> Member Registration fee	\$200	X	=
<u>Thursday 5/8</u>			
Colonial Williamsburg day pass	\$50	X	= \$
Lunch	Not Included	X	= \$0
Dinner	(on your own)		= \$0
<u>Friday 5/9</u>			
Drew's office collection and artwork	Included	X	= \$0
Chrysler Museum of Art	Included	X	= \$0
Lunch	(on your own)	X	= \$0
"Eyeseum" at Drew's house	Included	X	= \$0
Dinner	(on your own)		= \$0
<u>Saturday 5/10</u>			
Meeting	(included)	X	= \$0
Lunch and breaks	(included)		= \$0
Annual Banquet	(included)	X	= \$0

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<u>2025 Dues: \$50</u>			
Dues are <i>included</i> with registration	\$50	X	= \$
		Total Enclosed	=

Mail this form and check payable to: OCULAR HERITAGE SOCIETY by April 7, 2025, to:

Tony Chahine
 OHS Treasurer
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Annual Dues Notice

If you are registering for the 2025 meeting, your dues are included with the registration fee.

If you are not attending the 2025 meeting, dues for the Ocular Heritage Society are \$50.00 per year, payable January 1st. Dues are good for two people and cover the costs of the OHS newsletter, copies of historical talks, and future meeting notices.

Payment methods

Checks

Make your check out to the OCULAR HERITAGE SOCIETY and mail to
Tony Chahine
OHS Treasurer
1419 Foothill Blvd.
La Canada CA 91011

Electronic payment

Use PayPal and designate **OcularHeritageSoc**

If you have any questions about your membership status, please contact:

Tony Chahine, OHS Treasurer
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(818) 790-0422

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Call for Papers

Return by April 7, 2025

Please complete the information below for inclusion in the meeting program. Talks are scheduled 15 – 30 minutes in length plus a 5-minute question/answer discussion after.

Name	
Address	
Telephone	Day #
	Evening #
Email	
Title	
Time Needed	(Check one) ___ 15 ___ 20 ___ 25 ___ 30 minutes

NOTICE

All talks should be presented using PowerPoint software. A printable version of your talk, suitable for printing, should be delivered on a flash drive to the designated OHS member for inclusion in the OHS newsletter.

Send this form no later than April 7, 2025 to:

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 You may also fax it to: (757) 463-7270

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Auction Notice

Once again, we will have a live auction to benefit the Ocular Heritage Society. The auction will take place during our Saturday meeting, after the historical talks, but before the business meeting.

In previous years, members have generously donated many items to our auction. We hope you will consider donating items to this year's event. If you would like to bring several items to the auction, you are encouraged to do so. Look over your duplicates (we all have some), or items you are no longer interested in collecting, and bring them to the meeting.

As soon as you arrive, please give your auction items and a brief description of what you have brought to the designated OHS member. Items will be labeled and made ready for the auction on Saturday.

Note: proceeds of the auction directly benefit the Ocular Heritage Society, a registered 501(c)(3) organization. Donations to the auction may be tax deductible. You are encouraged to check with a tax advisor to determine any tax deductions.