

# Destination AAO 2015

GET READY FOR LAS VEGAS : PART 5 OF 6

## BEAT THE CLOCK

### ■ Avoid the Lines Onsite: Register by Oct. 21

Oct. 21 is the last day to register online for AAO 2015 (Nov. 14-17), Subspecialty Day (Nov. 13-14), and AAOE half-day coding meetings (Nov. 14-17). After Oct. 21, you can register onsite at the Sands Expo/Venetian (fees increase). When you register, remember to purchase an Academy Plus course pass and any tickets you need, such as Skills Transfer lab tickets.

**Group registration.** Group registration is required for groups of 10 or more. Processing fees will be assessed for all changes, and badges will not be mailed in advance.

Register at [www.aao.org/registration](http://www.aao.org/registration).

### ■ Review the Alumni and Related Group List

Connect with old friends and make new contacts at events taking place during AAO 2015. Registration for alumni and related group meetings is separate from AAO 2015 registration.

To view the list, visit [www.aao.org/2015](http://www.aao.org/2015).

### ■ Build Your Schedule

Start planning what sessions to attend—full listings are now available online. You can look up information about courses by presenter, keyword, or event number. You also can search the program by topic (e.g., “Cataract”),

### ■ BUY YOUR ORBITAL GALA

**TICKETS BY NOV. 9.** Don't miss the Foundation's masquerade-themed *Orbital Gala* at the Wynn Las Vegas—glamour, intrigue, and tons of fun! Raise a glass to honoree Marilyn T. Miller, MD, and enjoy cocktails, dinner, live entertainment, a themed photo booth, and dancing. The silent auction includes great deals for work and play, including a Lumenis Selecta II SLT laser, a Haag-Streit Octopus 900 perimeter, a 4-night stay in Monte Carlo (pictured) at the luxurious Fairmont Hotel, a week at a villa in Hawaii, jewelry, fine wine, and more. The last day to purchase tickets is Nov. 9—tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets for YOs are half price!



To view an auction preview and purchase tickets, visit [www.aao.org/foundation](http://www.aao.org/foundation).

event type (e.g., “Symposium”), or special interest (e.g., “Endorsed by the Young Ophthalmologist Committee”).

To view the program, visit [www.aao.org/programsearch](http://www.aao.org/programsearch).

## PROGRAM

### ■ Discover: Learning Lounge

Visit the Learning Lounge (Booth 221) to participate in informal, small-group discussions led by experts in the field. With up to 3 discussions taking place at once, you can circulate among groups to explore different topics. Highlights include:

- Maintenance of Certification
- Fan Favorite Video Presentation
- Video Program Best of Show Awards Ceremony

For the most up-to-date schedule, use the Mobile Meeting Guide at [www.aao.org/mobile](http://www.aao.org/mobile).

### ■ Discover: Academy Café

Join the conversation in San Polo 3401. Bring your cell phone, smartphone, or laptop to message your questions to the expert panel. There are 8 sessions:

- Young Ophthalmologists—Developing Your Cataract Practice (Saturday, 1:30-2:45 p.m.)
- Cataract (Saturday, 3:15-4:30 p.m.)
- Uveitis (Sunday, 10:30-11:45 a.m.)
- Cornea, External Disease (Sunday, 1:00-2:15 p.m.)
- Oculoplastics (Sunday, 2:30-3:45 p.m.)
- Retina (Monday, 8:30-9:45 a.m.)
- Glaucoma (Monday, 10:30-11:45 a.m.)
- Cataract (Tuesday, 8:30-9:45 a.m.)

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**AAO<sup>®</sup> 2015**  
November 14-17

**Discover: Cataract Monday**

**Spotlight on Cataract Complications: M&M Rounds—Learning From My Mistakes (Spo2).** Eighteen cataract experts will each present a video case showing a complication that taught them valuable lessons. Paired panelists will then comment on the cases and the “teaching points.” The audience will weigh in using response pads. The symposium concludes with the 11th annual Charles D. Kelman Lecture, “IOL Power Selection: Think Different,” given by Warren E. Hill, MD. **When:** 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. **Where:** Venetian Ballroom EF. **Access:** Free.

**Improving Your Odds in Anterior Segment Surgery (Sym31).** Experts discuss the newest advances in cataract surgery, including intraoperative guidance systems, phaco technology, new intraocular lenses, and new surgical techniques. Each talk will be followed by an interactive discussion. **When:** 2:00-4:00 p.m. **Where:** Venetian Ballroom EF. **Access:** Free.

**Lessons Learned About New Technologies for Refractive Cataract Surgery (Sym35).** Join the discussion about 4 new technologies: extended depth-of-focus IOLs, corneal inlays, trifocals, and toric multifocals. Presenters will address benefits and limitations of each, as well as unexpected outcomes. **When:** 4:15-5:30 p.m. **Where:** Venetian Ballroom EF. **Access:** Free.

**Discover: New Surgery Skills**

**Skills Transfer labs and lectures** provide the opportunity to master new diagnostic and surgical techniques. They include intensive training sessions, a hands-on learning environment, and outstanding instructors. Note that a ticket is required for Skills Transfer labs but that lectures are included in the Academy Plus course pass. Attendance at each lab’s accompanying lecture is strongly recommended but not required. Highlights include:

- **New! Photo/Video Editing for Ophthalmologists (Lab120).** Explore various user-friendly applications and software to edit pictures and surgical/nonsurgical videos for presentations at

**USE THE MOBILE MEETING GUIDE.** The Mobile Meeting Guide (MMG) is now available. This web-based application gives you access to a myriad of useful meeting content and can be used on any web-enabled device.

**Program.** To locate a session, abstract, or course handout, select “Search Program” and use the filter options. If available, handout and evaluation buttons will be visible for each course. The MMG also contains listings for satellite symposia and related group events, as well as refractive surgery e-posters, scientific posters online, videos on demand, and Technology Pavilion and Learning Lounge schedules.

**All the info you need in one spot.** The MMG houses the meeting directory and important AAO 2015-related information on exhibitors, convention floor plans, special event schedules, hotels and shuttles, and Las Vegas restaurants and weather.

**Tips.** Save courses and sessions to your Planner, a feature that helps you plan your meeting experience. Sync your calendar created during registration with your Planner, use “Happening Now” to view courses and sessions taking place at that moment, and start or join an interactive networking community.

**Check it out at** [www.aa.org/mobile](http://www.aa.org/mobile).



conferences. **When:** Sunday, 2:00-4:00 p.m. **Where:** Titian 2201. **Access:** \$70 (advance fee); \$80 (onsite fee).

- **New! Advanced Periorbital Flap and Graft Techniques (Lab148).** Expand your ability to perform periorbital reconstruction. Advanced flap and graft techniques will be discussed and then performed on cadaveric models supervised by experienced course instructors. **When:** Monday, 4:00-5:30 p.m. **Where:** Titian 2305. **Access:** \$245 (advance fee); \$275 (onsite fee).

- **Crosslinking (Lec104, Lab104A).** Review the history and current uses of crosslinking; gain a better understanding of patient selection criteria; evaluate the merits of the various treatment strategies; develop a protocol for post-operative management of crosslinking; and obtain hands-on experience with several UV light devices and corneal ring segments. **When:** Sunday, 9:00-10:00 a.m. (recommended lecture), 11:00 a.m.-noon (lab). **Where:** Lido 3001, Veronese 2403. **Access:** \$100 (advance fee); \$130 (onsite fee).

**HALL HIGHLIGHTS**

**NEW! Where to Get Ribbons for Milestone Anniversaries**

Did you mark your 10th, 20th, or 25th

year as a practicing Academy member in 2015? If so, visit the Member Services desk in the Academy Resource Center (Booth 2632) to pick up a personalized certificate and recognition ribbon commemorating your anniversary and long-standing commitment to the Academy.

**Limited availability.** To get a certificate and ribbon—which will be available only at the annual meeting—you must have reached your 10-, 20-, or 25-year milestone during 2015. Eligibility is based on the number of years you’ve been a practicing member of the Academy (time spent as a candidate for membership, member-in-training, or inactive member does not count).

**Discover: Technology Pavilion**

Academy members and independent consultants offer user-friendly instruction on all things high tech. Stop by the Technology Pavilion in the exhibit hall (Booth 4768) for presentations on:

- Technology trends and tools that can impact your practice
- Software for both medical records and alternative presentation options
- How to make the most of the Mobile Meeting Guide
- How to take advantage of the IRIS Registry’s benchmarking tools.