Society of Biological Psychiatry
69th Annual Scientific Meeting

May 8-10, 2014
Hilton New York Midtown
New York, New York

“Accelerating Scientific Translation”

Preliminary Program – Subject to Changes

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MEETING DESCRIPTION

Accelerating Scientific Translation

One of the great strengths of our Society is the scientific breadth and depth of our members and colleagues around the world. In addition, we have had a historical commitment to translating new scientific knowledge into advances that benefit the care of our patients with psychiatric illnesses. At no previous time has the need to accelerate the process of scientific translation been greater. We have witnessed, and contributed to, amazing growth in our understanding of the structure and function of the brain, and how brain function forms the basis for cognition and behavior. However, relatively little of this knowledge has been translated into meaningful improvements in our ability to diagnosis and treat our patients with psychiatric disorders. The translation of this new knowledge into new diagnostic tools and therapies is one of the most important challenges of this generation of neuroscientists.

The development of new diagnostic biomarkers and treatments for psychiatric disorders depends on the process of scientific translation. In psychiatry, the process of scientific translation faces special obstacles because of the unique complexity of the human brain. Nonetheless, we now have an unparalleled opportunity to overcome these obstacles, because of recent advances in neuroscience, genomics, proteomics, neuroimaging and computational biology.

The 2014 program will feature plenary lectures where the process of scientific translation is deconstructed and analyzed, so that we can identify better strategies for developmental success. Panel sessions will focus on specific elements of the translational process. Working together, we are poised to succeed in improving the treatment we can offer to our patients, so that they can enjoy more successful lives. I hope to engage all of you in a discussion of how we can accelerate and improve the process of scientific translation in neuroscience. I can think of no better community of scientists to address this critical need.

This year, we will be meeting immediately after the APA meeting. By meeting after the APA meeting we were able to secure room rates considerably less ($259/night vs. $389/night) than meeting before APA. The Society recognized that grants and travel budgets are extremely limited and decided to meet after the APA meeting in order to reduce your expenses to attend. We do hope you will plan to join us in New York in May.

John Csernansky, MD
President, Society of Biological Psychiatry

Jair Soares, MD
Chair, 2014 Scientific Program Committee

GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

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The goal of this meeting is to expose researchers and clinicians to a range of technologies and strategies to advance the understanding and treatment of major psychiatric disorders. Education and training from scientific and clinical experts in related fields in the clinical neurosciences (neurology, genetics, and medicine) will provide new perspectives for addressing basic and clinical questions in psychiatric research as well as clinical practice.

At the conclusion of this CME activity, the participant should be able to:

- Identify biological mechanisms involved in causation of psychiatric illnesses.
- Describe new developments in regard to treatment of major psychiatric illnesses.

WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND

The Society of Biological Psychiatry Meeting is designed to provide you with the education and cutting-edge research to expand your knowledge and improve your research and patient care. Don’t miss this opportunity to join your colleagues from across the United States and the world.
By attending the 2014 SOBP Annual Meeting, you will…

**Learn** – Expand your knowledge base and learn about new advances in the field of basic, translational and clinical research in neuroscience and psychiatry:

- Three plenary sessions with world-renowned speakers featuring topics on
  - Biomarker Development
  - Innovative Treatments
  - Prevention
- 60 symposia covering topics in
  - Basic, Clinical and Clinical/Translational Research
  - Schizophrenia
  - Addiction
  - Imaging
  - Animal Models
  - Aging
  - Mood Disorders
  - Eating Disorders
  - Anxiety Disorders
  - Systems Neuroscience
  - Novel Methodologies
  - And many more
- Six oral sessions
- Six late-breaking sessions featuring the latest hot topics and research
- Three poster sessions featuring over 900 individual abstracts

**Network** – Expand your peer network and meet new colleagues from around the world.

**Value** – Participate in over 25 hours of scientific sessions; earn up to 21 category I CME credits

**Save Money** - Register by April 24th to save $100 of your registration fee.

**TARGET AUDIENCE**
This course is designed for researchers, clinicians, neuroscientists, MDs, PhDs, and young researchers.

**ACCREDITATION**
This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of College of Medicine, Mayo Clinic and the Society of Biological Psychiatry, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Mayo Clinic College of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 21.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

NOTE: Due to changes in ACCME accreditation policies regarding presentations made by industry scientists and commercial companies, the Society will not provide *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*™ for the poster sessions to allow scientists from industry to participate in these sessions.

**FACULTY DISCLOSURES**
As a provider accredited by ACCME, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine (Mayo School of Continuous Professional Development) must ensure balance, independence, objectivity and scientific rigor in its educational activities. Course Director(s), Planning Committee Members, Faculty, and all others who are in a position to control the content of this educational activity are required to disclose all relevant financial relationships with any commercial interest related to the subject matter of the educational activity. Safeguards against commercial bias have been put in place. Faculty also will disclose any off-label and/or investigational use of pharmaceuticals or instruments discussed in their presentation. Disclosure of this information will be published in course materials so those participants in the activity may formulate their own judgments regarding the presentation. The 2014 Faculty Disclosure Report will be available at [www.sobp.org](http://www.sobp.org) May 1, 2014.
PRELIMINARY PROGRAM – Subject to changes

Wednesday, May 7

11:00 – 5:00 pm Executive Council Meeting (by invitation)
2:00 – 5:30 pm Registration
5:30 – 7:00 pm President’s Reception (by invitation, for award recipients, new members, mentors & mentees, and past presidents)

Thursday, May 8

7:00 – 8:00 am Continental Breakfast
8:00 – 8:05 am Welcome
8:05 – 11:35 am Plenary Session – Innovative Treatments
8:05 – 8:55 am Buprenorphine: The Science of its Development to Clinical Use
   Eric C. Strain, MD – Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
8:55 – 9:45 am Developing a Novel Glutamatergic Anti-Depressant: The Story of GLYX-13
   Joseph R. Moskal, PhD – Northwestern University
9:45 – 10:15 am Break
10:15 – 11:05 am Treatment for Pregnant Women with Depression: Are We Asking the Right Questions?
   Katherine L. Wisner, MD, MS – Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
11:05 – 11:35 am Panel Discussion – Innovative Treatments
   Katherine L. Wisner, MD, MD – Northwestern University
   Joseph R. Moskal, PhD – Northwestern University
   Eric Strain, MD – Johns Hopkins University
   Husseini K. Manji, MD – Janssen Pharmaceutical Research & Development
   Stephen M. Strakowski, MD – University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
11:35 – 12:30 pm Lunch/Networking
12:30 – 2:30 pm Symposia
   • Technical and Mechanistic Foundations of Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation: Emerging Applications in Major Depressive Disorder
   • New Vistas on the D1 Receptor: Implications of Novel Therapeutics
   • Childhood Anxiety: Risk, Development, and Treatment
   • Acute and Chronic Stimulant Effects on Motivation and Behavioral Control
   • Neurobiology of Illness Risk, Treatment Response and Outcomes in Major Depression
   • CNS Target Engagement for 21st Century Therapeutics
   • Psychotic Disorders Viewed Through the R-DoC Prism: Implications for Psychopathology
   • NMDA Receptor-based Treatment Approaches for Schizophrenia
   • OCD: Neurophysiological Markers and New Brain Stimulation Treatments
   • Associative Fear Learning: A Model for Translational Therapeutics in PTSD

Oral Sessions - TBA
Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA

2:30 – 3:00 pm Break
3:00 – 5:00 pm  **Symposia – TBA**
- DBS, Deep TMS, and ECT: New Targets, New Insights
- A Return to Rational CNS Drug Development: De-risking Phase 3 Investments through Rigorous Early Phase Evaluations
- ABCB-1 Variants and Antidepressant Response
- Glutamate, Genetic Variation and Novel Therapeutic Targets for Major Psychiatric Disorders
- Auditory Dysfunction in Schizophrenia: From Theory to Treatment
- A Road Less Traveled: Novel Findings on Oxytocin’s Complex Effects in Fear and Anxiety
- Inflammation and Psychosis: Understanding the Biological Link and Exploring its Clinical Relevance
- Understanding the Factors that Facilitate or Hinder the Efficacy of Exposure Therapy/Extinction
- Addressing the Challenges of Placebo Response and Signal Detection in Proof of Concept Trials – What We Must Overcome to Test New Mechanisms
- Neuromodulation Techniques as Novel Treatment Approaches for Addictions

**Oral Sessions - TBA**
**Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA**

5:00 – 7:00 pm  **Poster Session**

7:00 – 8:15 pm  **Welcome Reception**

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**Friday, May 9**

7:00 – 8:00 am  **Continental Breakfast**

8:00 – 8:05 AM  **Welcome**

8:05 – 11:30 am  **Plenary Session – Biomarker Development**

8:05 – 8:55 am  **When Timing Meets Opportunity: Reflections on the Evolution of Subcallosal Cingulate DBS for Depression**
*Helen Mayberg, MD – Emory University School of Medicine*

8:55 – 9:45 am  **Biomarkers in the Acceleration of Alzheimer’s Disease Modifying Prevention Trials**
*Randall Bateman, MD – Washington University School of Medicine at St. Louis*

9:45 – 10:15 am  **Break**

10:15 – 10:40 am  **Awards**

10:40 – 11:30 am  **Plenary Session - Continued**

10:40 – 11:30 am  **The Human Connectome Project: Progress and Prospects**
*David Van Essen, PhD – Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis*

11:30 – 12:30 pm  **Lunch/Networking**

11:45 – 12:30 pm  **Society of Biological Psychiatry Business Meeting**
*All members are encouraged to attend. Non-members are invited to attend.*

12:30 – 2:30 pm  **Symposia**
- Circuit-based Disturbances in Reward Processing Across Pediatric Disorders of Impulse Control
- Dissecting complex phenotypes in 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome: Building Translational Bridges
- Towards Brain-based Biomarkers of Autism Spectrum Disorders and Attention-deficit/hyperactivity Disorder
Clinical, Genetic, and Neurobiological Correlates of Suicide
Large-Scale Psychiatric Imaging Studies: Lesson Learned and Future Directions
Molecular Neurobiology and PET Imaging of Inflammatory Biomarkers in Neuropsychiatric Disorders
Pioneering Frontiers in Functional Brain Imaging for Psychiatry
The Experimental Medicine Approach to Evaluate Novel Targets for Mental Illness
Borderline Personality Disorders - Insights in its Neuropharmacology and Immunology
Translating Diffusion MRI: in Vivo Applied, Postmortem and Animal Studies Validating Microstructural Organization

**Oral Sessions - TBA**
**Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA**

2:30 – 3:00 pm  Break

3:00 – 5:00 pm  **Symposia**
- The Growing Significance of Astrocytes in Psychiatric Disease
- Closing the Translational Gap in Functional Neuroimaging
- Fear and Anxiety Disorders: From Molecules, Circuits and Behavior
- Translational Studies of Functional Connectivity in Schizophrenia: Focus on Pharmacological, Resting-State and Task-Based Neuroimaging Approaches
- Towards Biological Phenotypes in Suicidal Behavior
- The Neurobiology of Pervasive Anxiety: The Role of Circuits Centered on the Extended Amygdala
- Translational Biomarkers of Ketamine Response
- Myelin Biology in Health and Schizophrenia: Molecular and Cellular Targets
- iPSC Modeling in Bipolar Disorder
- Metabolomics in Neuropsychiatric Disorders – Powerful Translational Tools

**Oral Sessions - TBA**
**Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA**

5:00 – 7:00 pm  Poster Session

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**Saturday, May 10**

7:00 – 8:00 am  Continental Breakfast

8:00 – 8:05 AM  Welcome

8:05 – 11:30 am  **Plenary Session – Prevention**

8:05 – 8:55 am  Preventive Strategies in Emerging Mental Disorders in Young People: Clinical Staging and Translational Research
*Patrick McGorry, MD, PhD – Center for Youth Mental Health, The University of Melbourne*

8:55 – 9:45 am  Boundaries to Secondary Prevention of PTSD: Outlining a Non-remitting, Treatment Resistant Phenotype
*Arieh Y. Shalev, MD – New York University Langone Medical Center*

9:45 – 10:10 am  Break

10:10 – 10:40 am  Presentation of the Humanitarian Award & Talk
*Patrick J. Kennedy*

10:40 – 11:30 am  NCATS: Catalyzing Translational Innovation
*Christopher P. Austin, MD – National Center for Advancing Translational Science, National Institutes of Health*
11:30 – 12:30 pm  Lunch/Networking

12:30 – 2:30 pm  Symposia
- The Last Therapeutic (and Translational) Orphan: The Pregnant Woman
- Predicting, Understanding and Treating Early Psychosis: Findings and New Directions for the North American Prodrome Longitudinal Studies Consortium
- Executive Functions Across the Lifespan: Can the Impact of Age and Adversity Be Reversed?
- Neural and Genetic Mechanisms of Irritability: Developmental Perspectives
- The Neurobiology of Resilience, Empathy, and Optimism: Lessons for Psychiatry
- Harnessing Developmental Brain Plasticity for Early Intervention: Lessons from Model Rodents
- From Pathways to Pharmaceuticals: Emerging Oxidative Stress and Neuroprotective Mechanisms in Neuropsychiatric Disorders
- Pediatric Interpersonal Trauma - How Neurobiological Studies can Inform us about Prediction, Prevention, and Intervention of PTSD Symptoms?
- Frontal-Striatal-Thalamic Dysfunction in OCD: From Genes to Brain Structure and Dys-Functioning Brain Networks
- Translating Bipolar Disorder: From Cells to Neural Networks

Oral Sessions - TBA
Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA

2:30 – 3:00 pm  Break

3:00 – 5:00 pm  Symposia
- Causes and Consequence of Altered GABA Circuit Development in Schizophrenia
- Beer Goggles and Cuddle Puddles: Translational Evidence of the Acute Effects of Drugs of Abuse on Social Processing and Behavior
- Impulsivity and the Development of Substance Use Disorders – New Insights from Studies in Populations at Risk
- Neuroeconomics of Persistent Maladaptive Eating Behavior: Across Anorexia Nervosa and Obesity
- Sex-Hormone Fluctuations as a Risk Model for Postpartum Mood Disorders
- Dimensions of Negative Emotional States Defined by Circuits, Genetics and Behavior
- Integrating Genetic and Neuroimaging Data to Understand Psychiatric Disorders in Primates
- Cannabis-Related Brain Abnormalities in Schizophrenia and Their Clinical and Cognitive Implications
- “The Calm before the Storm”: Neurobiological Signatures of sSb-threshold Symptoms in Addiction, Schizophrenia and Mood Disorders

Oral Sessions - TBA
Late-Breaking Sessions - TBA

5:00 – 7:00 pm  Poster Session

END OF PROGRAM
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTER on line beginning January 13, 2014
Pre-Registration closes April 24, 2014. Fees increase by $100 after April 24, 2014

To register offline or to register a delegation, email sobp@sobp.org for registration materials.

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- **Waived or Reduced Registrations:**
  - Contact the Society at sobp@sobp.org if you have any questions or need assistance with registration.

- **Student Registrations:**
  - The Student Registration Fee is for Residents, Fellows, Graduates and Medical Students who are non-members of the Society of Biological Psychiatry currently enrolled in a training program.
  - After you complete your online registration, you must send a signed letter from your training director, which includes their phone # and email address, confirming your status in this category with expected graduation date. We will contact your training director if we have any questions regarding your registration.
  - Scan and Email (preferred method) this documentation to sobp@sobp.org or fax to 904-953-7117. Once received, your registration will be matched to this documentation and processed.
  - Registrations received without this documentation will not be processed.

- **Meals and Receptions:**
  - The registration fee includes daily continental breakfast, box lunches, morning and afternoon breaks, and poster receptions, the Welcome Reception, and admittance to all sessions.
  - Attendance at the Welcome Reception is open to all registered attendees.
  - You may purchase guest tickets for the Welcome Reception during the registration process.
  - There are no refunds on guest tickets for the Welcome Reception unless the Society is notified by April 30, 2014.

- **Category 1 CME Credit:**
  - You may register and pay the separate fee for Category 1 credit during the registration process.

Although it is not the Society of Biological Psychiatry’s policy to limit the number of registrants for this meeting, conference room facilities may necessitate capping of registration; therefore, early registration is strongly advised. All sessions are open to all to attend on a first-come, first-serve basis.
REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION
You will receive a receipt and confirmation of your registration when you complete your on-line registration. If you do not receive a confirmation or have questions, contact the Society at sobp@sobp.org or 904-953-2842.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION POLICY
All cancellation requests must be received by the Society’s office in writing by email to sobp@sobp.org or fax to 904-953-7117 by April 30, 2014. Fees will be refunded in the same manner in which they were received. The following cancellation fees will apply:

- Prior to April 30, 2014 – full refund less $75 administrative fee
- After April 30, 2014 – 50% refund

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT
The Society of Biological Psychiatry fully complies with the legal requirements of the ADA and the rules and regulations thereof. Please notify us if you have any special needs. Contact the Society at sobp@sobp.org or call 904-953-2842.

VISA WAIVER PROGRAM
International travelers who are seeking to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) are subject to enhanced security requirements. All eligible travelers who wish to travel under the Visa Waiver Program must apply for authorization through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA). The VWP is administered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and enables citizens and eligible nationals of certain countries to travel to the United States for tourism or business for stays of 90 days or less without obtaining a visa.

Log onto the ESTA website at https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov and complete an online application in English. Travelers are encouraged to apply early. The web-based system will prompt you to answer basic biographical and eligibility questions typically requested on a paper I-94W form.

Applications may be submitted at any time prior to travel, however, DHS recommends that applications be submitted no less than 72 hours prior to travel. In most cases you will receive a response within seconds. This waiver is not a guarantee of admissibility to the United States at a port of entry. ESTA approval only authorizes a traveler to board a carrier for travel to the U.S. under the Visa Waiver Program.

Additional information regarding the VWP and ESTA is available at www.cbp.gov/esta

INVITATION LETTERS FROM THE SOCIETY OF BIOLOGICAL PSYCHIATRY
To receive an invitation letter from the Society you must first register then send an email to sobp@sobp.org with your full name and complete mailing address. Your invitation letter will be returned to you via your email address. Please allow 5 business days to receive your invitation letter.
The Society of Biological Psychiatry has a block of rooms reserved for you at the New York Hilton Midtown. This block of rooms is available until April 14, 2014, or until the room block is filled. Book early as our room block sells out quickly.

Book On Line Now or call the Hotel Directly at 1-800.445.8667.

Room Rates and Specials for Booking at the New York Hilton Midtown
The New York Hilton Midtown has extended a special room rate to participants of the Society of Biological Psychiatry. NOTICE: Book your room under the Society’s room block and receive complimentary internet access in your guest room and complimentary health club access.

- Single Occupancy: $259.00 per night plus sales and occupancy tax
- Double Occupancy: $284.00 per night plus sales and occupancy tax
- Government Rate: A limited number of rooms are available at the prevailing per diem government rate, while quantities last.

Why it is important to book at our convention hotel ...
The Society strongly encourages you to book your guest room at the conference headquarters hotel, the New York Hilton Midtown. The Society makes every effort to secure the best possible group guest room rates. These rates are part of a negotiated overall conference package that incorporates meeting room rental, meals and breaks, as well as other services. We are asking each of you to make your reservation at the conference hotel so the Society can meet its contractual obligations for rooms and maintain your current conference benefits as well as keep future hotel guest room rates and registration fees reasonable. The Society incurs penalties if too many attendees opt to stay in other hotels in the area.

Hotel Description
Located in the heart of New York City in Midtown Manhattan, the stylish New York Hilton Midtown hotel is within walking distance from New York's premier attractions such as Times Square, Rockefeller Center, Radio City Music Hall, Fifth Avenue shopping, the Broadway Theatre District, Central Park, The Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) and many more iconic New York landmarks.

Grab a bite to eat at Herb N’ Kitchen, featuring seasonal salads, artisanal sandwiches, brick oven pizzas, and specialty coffees. Stay cool in our Minus5 Ice Bar where you can touch, feel, and explore handcrafted ice sculptures and ice architecture made from Canadian ice. Enjoy your favorite cocktail in our Lobby Lounge or Bridges Bar. Stay active during your stay in the hotel's 8,000 sq. ft. fitness center featuring modern strength, cardio and entertainment equipment, a Kinesis wall and resistance weights. Offering more than 151,000 sq. ft. of versatile meeting space, our Manhattan hotel successfully accommodates business conferences, social gatherings and elegant weddings.

Want to Share a Room?
If you wish to share a room at the hotel, please e-mail your name, gender, arrival and departure date, and any special requests to Maggie Peterson at the Society’s Office, sobp@sobp.org.
Getting to New York Hilton Midtown and Around New York

For those traveling by air, the City is served by seven area airports. Of these, three are major hubs: John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) and LaGuardia Airport (LGA) are both in Queens, while Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) is located in neighboring New Jersey. These three airports provide access to the City via taxis, buses, subways, trains and private limo car services. Click here for maps and directions from the airports to the New York Hilton Midtown Hotel.

Other Modes of Entry
In addition to nearby airports, New York City is easily accessible via an extensive network of bridges, tunnels, ferries, trains, bus lines, heliports and even cruise ports. Driving to the City is an option, but you certainly won’t need a car to get around—the fastest, easiest way to reach virtually every NYC attraction is by foot and the City’s inexpensive 24-hour public transit system.

Getting Around New York City
The best way to get around NYC is through a combination of walking and mass transit. NYC’s subways and buses are inexpensive, operate 24/7, provide a fun way to extend sightseeing and get you where you need to go, fast. Other interborough connections include ferries and even an aerial tramway.

Getting an MTA MetroCard is your first step to navigating the City by subway or bus. You can purchase a MetroCard at any subway station from multilingual machines (which accept cash, ATM cards and credit cards) or booth attendants.

Riders can choose a pay-per-ride or an unlimited-ride MetroCard. A single subway or bus ride is $2.50. (The minimum purchase for a pay-per-ride MetroCard is $4.50.) The unlimited MetroCard enables users to ride as often as they like within a fixed time period: seven days ($29) or 30 days ($104). Varying discounts are given when purchasing multiple rides, and for seniors (age 65 and older) and disabled riders. For a map of New York City’s subway and bus system, click here.

Taxis
The City’s yellow fleet of taxicabs is regulated by the Taxi & Limousine Commission (TLC). Taxicabs operate 24 hours, provide door-to-door service and accept cash or credit cards. To hail a taxi, stand at the curb and look for a yellow cab with an illuminated white number on top. Off-duty cabs display the illuminated words “Off Duty” on the same sign. Board and exit the cab curbside.

There is a minimum meter fare of $2.50, and prices increase based on the distance and duration of the trip (assume prices are higher during peak rush-hour traffic). Surcharges apply to the meter price Monday–Friday, 4–8pm, and nightly, 8pm–6am. Drivers appreciate a 15–20 percent gratuity at the end of a trip. Bridge and tunnel tolls are extra (and not included in the taxi’s metered fare). For further details, visit nyc.gov/taxi or call the City’s information hotline, 311.

Weather
New York City weather can vary from day to day, and even hour to hour. In May, the average high is 71°F (22°C) and the average low is 55°F (13°C). May offers great weather for visiting New York City -- it’s warm enough to spend a lot of time walking around, but cool enough to remain comfortable. Evenings can be cool so pack a jacket or sweater, an umbrella just in case of rain, and comfortable walking shoes.

Special-Service Needs
New York City is committed to ensuring accessibility for everyone with special needs, and has equipped all buses with lifts for those in wheelchairs and those who have difficulty climbing stairs. In addition, many subway stations contain elevators, ramps, visual display signs, accessible public telephones and tactile and audio features on vending machines. Subways also have automated voices indicating stops, and all buses and select subway stations are wheelchair accessible. Many street-hail taxicabs also accommodate wheelchairs. Passengers with disabilities are eligible for reduced fares on most mass-transit trips. For more information about NYC accessibility, call the City's hotline (311 or 212-NEW-YORK) or the Mayor’s Office for People with Disabilities (212-788 2830, TTY: 212-788 2838 or go to nyc.gov/mopd) or visit NYC & Company’s website.

TV Show Tapings
Attending the tapings of popular television shows filmed in New York City is fun and free. The wait for tickets is often long, so it’s best to write in for tickets as far in advance as possible. Still, many shows have standby options if you’re willing to wait in line. Click here for the addresses and schedules of TV shows—and your chance to say hi to people back home on national television.
Additional Fun Activities
New York City is an exciting destination for all and is home to diverse neighborhoods, historic landmarks, glamorous clubs and some of the best museums in the world.

If you love to shop, neighborhoods like SoHo, Midtown and Williamsburg will satisfy that need. Head to Midtown for its cutting-edge fashion spots like Bloomingdale's, Saks Fifth Avenue and H&M; to SoHo for designer goods, handmade jewelry and artwork; and to Williamsburg to find one-of-a-kind vintage duds in charming boutiques. For culture enthusiasts, the bright lights of Broadway and the venerable museums throughout the City are unmatched.

Night owls can party at glamorous cocktail lounges in Chelsea and dancing dens in the Meatpacking District. There’s also cabaret and karaoke in Times Square, comedy clubs in Greenwich Village and Long Island City and rock ‘n’ roll venues on the Lower East Side.

Foodies who want to savor delicious and authentic cuisines from every region in the world should head to Astoria, Greenwich Village and Cobble Hill. A visit to Yankee Stadium in the Bronx or Citi Field in Queens to see the Mets is a must for all baseball lovers.

New York City comprises several islands, and its waters are home to an extensive ferry system to take you uptown and downtown, as well as across the rivers between boroughs. Perhaps the best-known ferry is the Staten Island Ferry, one of the City’s transportation and sightseeing treasures. It’s primarily a commuter route between Staten Island and lower Manhattan, and it’s also a wonderful 5.2-mile, 20-minute mini-cruise with great views of the Statue of Liberty, New York Harbor and Lower Manhattan—plus it’s free. Other fun aquatic shuttles include New York Water Taxi, traveling to the New York Mets’ Citi Field and other City sights; NY Waterway, which ferries fans to Yankee Stadium, in addition to harbor and sightseeing cruises; and Statue Cruises, operating direct service from Battery Park to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.

While you’re in NYC, follow @nycgo on Twitter for daily events, tips and deals! Or head to nycgo.com for a list of mobile applications you can download to your smartphone, to help you explore NYC with ease.

More information and to plan your trip, visit New York’s Visitor’s Guide

AIRLINE RESERVATIONS AND DISCOUNTS

Delta Air Lines is pleased to offer up to 10% discount off applicable airfares for 69th Annual Society of Biological Scientific Meeting.

If originating from United States or Canada, Meeting Event Code is NMGXB
Originating travel from all other countries, your meeting code is NMGXC

To take advantage of these discounts, follow one of these 3 booking options:
1) Click on www.delta.com/booking, enter the Meeting Event Code in the box and continue with the booking process.
2) Call Delta Meeting Network® Reservations at 1-800-328-1111, Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 7:30p.m. (Central Time) and refer to Meeting Event Code
3) Call your Travel Agent and reference Meeting Event Code

**There is a $25 service fee for booking via our 800 number. Online booking is free!**
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