

2021 Convocation Information

Congratulations! We are honored to have the opportunity to recognize your extraordinary dedication to general dentistry. It is time to celebrate at the Academy of General Dentistry's AGD2021 at the Austin Convention Center in Austin, TX. **All awardees and LLSR recipients must confirm if they will attend the 2021 Convocation ceremony.**

- AGD Fellowship (FAGD) and Mastership (MAGD) awardees, [click here](#) to confirm.
- AGD Lifelong Learning and Service Recognition (LLSR) recipients, [click here](#) to confirm.

Meeting Registration and Hotel Information

General meeting registration is complimentary to all awardees and LLSR recipients, but **registration is required** as an FAGD, MAGD or LLSR recipient. General registration secures your place at the opening session on Thursday, June 10, the President's Welcome Reception, access to the exhibit hall and to all scientific e-poster presentations. Visit the [AGD2021 website](#) for information about registration and securing housing. When registering select either *Fellowship or Mastership Award Recipient* or *Lifelong Service Recognition Recipient* as the Attendee category.

Cap and Gown

The website for FAGDs and MAGDs to order their caps and gowns is available now. **You must order your Convocation regalia by May 1, 2021.** Please use the following link to order <http://colleges.herffjones.com/college/agd/>

Cap and Gown Pickup

Pick up your cap and gown at the Austin Convention Center, Level 3 in the Ballroom ABC Foyer, Friday, June 11 from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, June 12, 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Level 4 in the Ballroom D-G Foyer.

Note: LLSR recipients do not wear caps and gowns. LLSR recipients should dress in business attire to accept their pin onstage.

Convocation Rehearsal

Rehearsal will be Saturday, June 12, at 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. at the Austin Convention Center, Level 4, Ballrooms D-G. The Convocation ceremony will begin at 4:30 p.m. You must bring your cap and gown to the rehearsal. You **WILL NOT** have time to pick it up after rehearsal. ***You will receive your seat assignment for the Convocation ceremony approximately two weeks before the meeting via e-mail. Please make sure we have a valid e-mail for you to prevent delay.***

Convocation Ceremony

The Convocation ceremony will be on Saturday, June 12, at 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Austin Convention Center Level 4 Ballrooms D-G. Due to the pandemic, capacity is limited, and tickets will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. ***Awardees and LLSR recipients may reserve one guest ticket for seating in the convention center ballroom.*** Additional guest tickets can be reserved to view the livestreamed ceremony in Hilton Hotel Ballroom. **Reserve guest tickets with your meeting registration.**

Guests at the Convocation Ceremony

Guests attending only the Convocation ceremony are NOT required to register for the AGD 2021 Scientific Meeting. Doors open at 4:15 p.m. Due to the pandemic guest seating is limited. ***Awardees and LLSR recipients can reserve one guest ticket for entrance into Ballroom D-G when they register for the meeting.*** ALL guests,

including children in strollers, must have a ticket to enter Ballroom D-G. Additional guest seating will be available in the Hilton Ballroom where guests will be able to watch the ceremony on large screens. Awardees and LLSR recipients must reserve tickets for additional guests when they register. Tickets for seating at the Hilton will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Please encourage your guests to arrive at the ceremony and viewing room no sooner than 4:15 p.m. so that they may find seats before the ceremony begins at 4:30 p.m. Guests will not be allowed in the ballroom during rehearsal. **Please contact us at education@agd.org or contact 888-243-3368 ext. 4356 if any of your guests require special accommodations.**

Convocation Celebration

Following the Convocation ceremony, head down to the [Stubbs BBQ Restaurant](#) from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to join AGD leaders and members, along with families and friends, for an entertaining reception following the Convocation ceremony. New Fellows, Masters and LLSRs will be celebrated as distinguished guests. This ticketed event will feature hors d'oeuvres, champagne bars, and live entertainment. All ages are welcome, but tickets are required for each guest. **Awardees must register to receive their complimentary ticket.** Additional tickets can be purchased at \$75 for Adults and \$45 for Youth (ages 3-12) with your meeting registration.

AGD2021 Meeting Schedule

To ensure you do not miss any important Convocation-related activities, we recommend that you keep your Saturday free. However, we encourage you to take advantage of the exceptional continuing education (CE) programs and events available on Thursday, June 10th and Friday, June 11th. Registration for CE courses and/or programs will open on April 7th.

Photos for Convocation Slideshow

You are invited to submit photos of you and your family or of you and your staff so they can be included in a slideshow shown before and after the Convocation ceremony. Send up to four photos in **JPEG format** to education@agd.org by May 28th, 2021. *Please label photos by your last name, first initial and number. Example SmithJ_1, SmithJ_2, etc.*

Convocation Portraits

Awardees and LLSR recipients, and their families are invited to have a formal portrait taken at the AGD2021 Photo Studio. This is an ideal time to update your professional head shot or have a formal portrait in your cap and gown. A photo of you receiving your award or recognition from AGD President, Dr. Bruce Cassis on stage will also be available for purchase approximately two weeks after the ceremony. [Schedule your appointment today!](#) The photo studio is conveniently located in the Austin Convention Center and has available appointments on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. *Sample caps, gowns, ribbons and pins will be available in the studio, so you do not need to bring you caps and gowns with you.*

AGD Foundation Activities

Oral Cancer Screenings

To raise awareness of oral cancer, the AGD Foundation will host free oral cancer screenings for registered AGD2021 attendees, exhibitors and employees of the Fairmont Austin Hotel. The Oral Cancer Screening event takes place on June 11 during the AGD Scientific Session in Austin, Texas from June 9 - 12. Constituents can reserve their time slot [here](#) or stop by our booth, #115, to be screened as a walk-in.

Electronic Silent Auction Fundraiser

The electronic Silent Auction Fundraiser opens in early June and runs through the end of the AGD Scientific Session on June 12. Participants can bid from any location using a computer or mobile device. All auction proceeds support free oral cancer screenings and programs that educate the public about oral cancer risk factors and prevention.