



The SFS 2021 Annual Meeting is just around the corner! We are excited for this year's meeting that will be hosted virtually through the Cvent Virtual Attendee Hub. The Virtual Attendee Hub is being activated today, 5/17/2021, so that you can practice logging in and navigating through the site. Please read through this helpful overview thoroughly. It is intended to help you login and initially navigate through the Attendee Hub. Further helpful information will be provided throughout the upcoming week in preparation for the annual meeting.

LET'S GET STARTED!!!

LOGGING IN FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

Use the following link to get to the SFS 2021 Virtual Platform- <https://cvent.me/eXd3nD>

It is highly recommended that you bookmark this URL/website in your web browser until the meeting has concluded so that you can access the platform more conveniently.

When you click on the link above, you will be directed to the SFS 2021 Virtual Meeting Log in Page (refer to the screenshot on the following page).

The registration information that you provided when registering for the annual meeting was used to create a login for you. To login, please provide the following:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Email Address

Once you provide the requested information and click "Next" you will be taken to a login verification screen. A unique verification code will be sent to your email account that you used to register for the annual meeting. You will need to find that verification code in the email from Cvent and apply it to the login verification (refer to the second screenshot on the following page).

*Please Note: If you log out of the virtual platform, the process above will be required.

The Society for Freshwater Science Annual Meeting 2021 (Virtual)

Log in

First name

Last name

Email address

Next

Still haven't registered?

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Almost done!

Check your phone and email for the verification
code.

Verification code

Log in

Didn't receive a code? Try again.

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Welcome to the SFS 2021 Virtual Platform for the conference!

Once you have logged in you will be taken to the home page for the platform. It is called/designated as the “My Event” tab and page. This is where navigating through the platform begins but first things first. Let’s set-up your attendee profile.

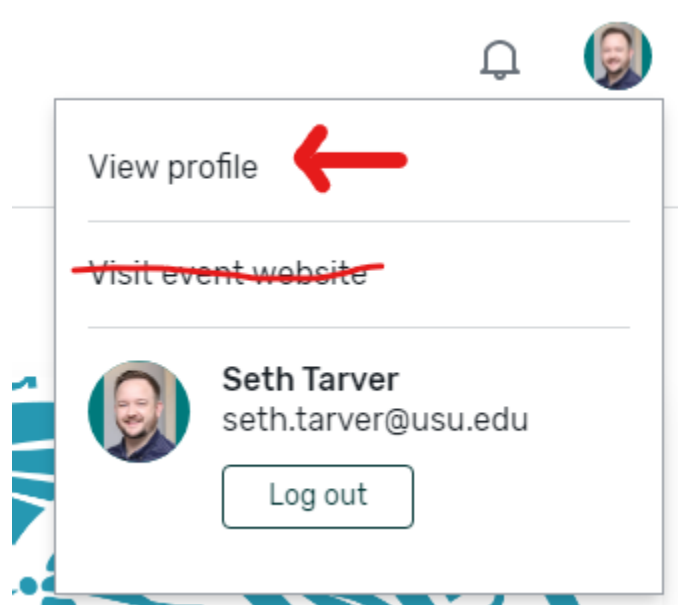
SET-UP YOUR ATTENDEE PROFILE

Locate your profile button on the My Event tab/ page. Since you have not yet edited your profile, the button will be found on the right-hand side of the webpage and is currently a green circle with your first and last name initials. Refer to the screenshot below to find where the button will be located.



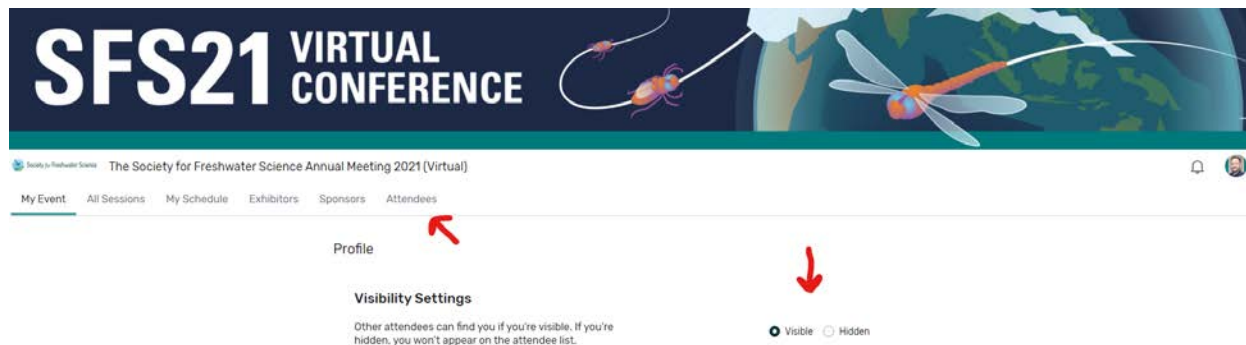
By clicking on the profile button, you will be given three options: (1) View profile (2) Visit event website (3) Log out. Click on the “View profile” link (refer to the screenshot below).

*Please Note- the “Visit event website” link will NOT take you to the SFS Annual Meeting website. The link is to a generic page that will not be utilized for this meeting.



After clicking the view profile link, you will be directed to your profile page. The information you provide here (profile pic and biography) will be visible to all attendees. We encourage you to leave your profile as visible (base setting) so that other attendees may interact with you. However, you have the option of making your profile hidden. Once you have saved our profile, click on the “Attendees” tab

near the top of the page (refer to the screenshot below for the visible/ hidden option and the Attendees tab).



On the Attendees page you will be taken to a searchable directory of all registered attendees. There are sorting and search fields available to help you navigate the directory. Any information that an attendee provides in their profile will be visible through the directory. Think of this directory as your event badge.

There will also be an Appointment feature provided before the meeting begins on Saturday. This will give you the opportunity to schedule a meeting with another attendee or multiple attendees during the meeting. [LEARN MORE HERE](#). This feature is currently deactivated, but we are working to have it operational by Wednesday May 19th.

In the next section, we will identify the tabs/ pages of the virtual platform.

IDENTIFYING THE TABS/ PAGES OF THE VIRTUAL PLATFORM

There are currently six (6) tabs/ pages for platform, but a seventh will be included later in the week.

The current tabs/ pages are: My Event, All Sessions, My Schedule, Exhibitors, Sponsors, Attendees (the additional tab will be called On Demand). The following sections are overviews for the My Event, All Sessions, My Schedule, Exhibitors, Sponsors, and On Demand tabs/ pages. The Attendees tab/ page can be reviewed by referring to the “Set-Up Your Attendee Profile” provided earlier in this guide.

My Event

This is the platform’s homepage. On this page you will find the following sections:

- Upcoming Sessions (located on the left-hand side of the page)- as indicated, this area informs you of sessions that will be taking place within the date/ chronological order.
 - In this section- there is a link to “View all sessions” as well as the option to add sessions to your “My Schedule” page.
- Featured Sessions and Featured Exhibitors (located below/ after scrolling down past Upcoming Sessions)- as indicated, this area shows sessions and exhibitors that the society is prominently displaying to encourage attendees to view or participate with during the event.
 - In this section- there are links to “View all sessions” and “View all exhibitors.”
- Event Details and Your Information Section (located on the right-hand side of the page)- as indicated, this area displays details including the SFS 2021 Annual Meeting Logo.

All Sessions

This tab/ page contains every virtual session for the annual meeting organized by date and time. This page contains a Search bar, a Time sorted field, and a Category sorted field. There are over 1000 virtual sessions- Plenary Sessions, Workshops, Panels, Concurrent Special/ Contributed Sessions, Live Poster Sessions, Coffee Breaks, Meetings and Mixers.

The search and sorting fields will be helpful tools in navigating through the overall meeting schedule. The search bar can be used to find specific sessions by utilizing key words. For example, if you want to find a Speaker/ Presenter you can search their first or last name. The sorting fields will allow you to condense sessions by Time (Morning, Afternoon, Evening), by Category (Themes and Session Types) and by Date. For example, you want to watch a poster session on Monday May 24th. Start with the Time sorting field (is the poster in the morning or afternoon). Then use the category field (what is the theme you are interested in). Finally, click on the Monday May 24 designation. All Posters that meet your provided inquiry will be populated for you to scroll through.

As you sort through the sessions, be sure to ADD sessions to you personalized scheduled. In the screenshot below you will see various red underlines pointing out the search and sorting fields as we as a red arrow pointing to "ADD" button. By clicking on the add button the associated session/s will be added to your "My Schedule" tab/ page and will also be tracked as an Upcoming Session on the My Event Page.

When you find a session that you would like to participate in, we highly recommend adding it to your schedule. An overall Program Book (schedule) will be provided by Wednesday May 19th. This extra resource may help you navigate and search accordingly in the virtual platform.

The screenshot displays the SFS21 Virtual Conference website. At the top, there is a banner for "SFS21 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE" with an illustration of a globe and insects. Below the banner is a navigation bar with tabs: "My Event", "All Sessions" (selected), "My Schedule", "Exhibitors", "Sponsors", and "Attendees". A search bar and sorting options for "Time" and "Category" are visible. A date navigation bar shows days from "All Sessions" to "Friday, May 28". The main content area shows the date "Saturday, May 22, 2021" and a session listing for "1 PM" with the title "SFS Finance Committee Meeting". The session details include the time "1:00 PM - 3:00 PM MDT", the host "Hosted by: Betsy Colburn, Chair, Finance Committee, Harvard University (colburn@fas.harvard.edu)", and an "Add" button.

My Schedule

This tab/ page is very similar in look to the All Sessions page. The main difference is that you will NOT be able to search or sort sessions in this page. This page is only populated with sessions that you have added to create a personal schedule. All included sessions (ie- Plenary Sessions) and added optional sessions will be organized by date and time.

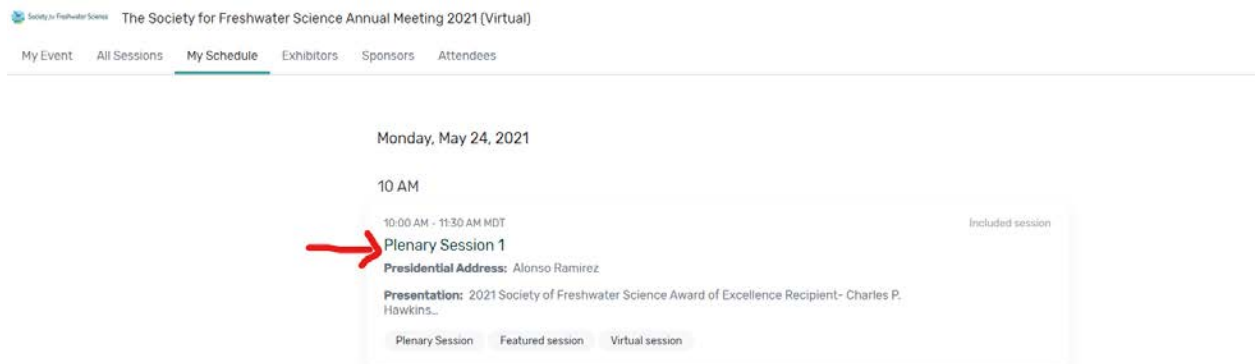
Important Note about the First Three Tabs/ Pages: My Event, All Sessions, and My Schedule

Under each of these first three tabs/ pages, you can view and click/ select a session to learn more about it prior to the conference. During the conference, you will need to select a session to attend and participate in the session whether it has been added to your My Schedule page or not. For example, let's consider Plenary Session 1.

Plenary Session 1 is an included session so it will already be provided in your My Schedule. It is also 1 of the first Featured Sessions, so it will be at the bottom of your My Event page. As the time draws closer for the Plenary Session 1, it will become visible in the Upcoming Sessions area on your My Event page. In the screenshot walkthrough below, the Plenary Session 1 event is being accessed through the My Schedule tab/ page.

To attend the Plenary Session 1 you will need to:

- Click on the Session Link



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- You are directed to the Virtual Session for Plenary 1
 - Here you can
 - See the details of the session
 - Add the session to your personal calendar
 - See the description of the event
 - Access any associated documents
 - See the Speakers
 - Access the Chat and Q&A features

(Refer to the screenshot on the following page)

Back to My Schedule



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Plenary Session 1

Included session

Monday, May 24, 10:00 AM-11:30 AM MDT

Plenary Session

Add to calendar

Presidential Address: Alonso Ramirez

Presentation: 2021 Society of Freshwater Science Award of Excellence Recipient- Charles P. Hawkins

Click Here for the Plenary 1 Agenda

Speakers (4)



Alonso Ramirez
President of the Society for Freshwater Science (2020-2021)



Ashley Moerke
President Elect of SFS (2021-2022)



Checo Colón-Gaud
Vice President of the Society for Freshwater Science (2020-2021)



Chuck Hawkins
Editor of Freshwater Science, Utah State University

When the virtual session (Plenary 1) is 5 minutes from the start, there will be a "JOIN SESSION" button that becomes live that is located within the SFS 2021 Logo and Theme. By clicking on that button, you will watch as the virtual session populates the area currently displaying the SFS 2021 Logo and Theme.

Further detail will be provided on viewing and participating with different types of sessions, but this is a good place to introduce viewing sessions.

Exhibitors and Sponsors

These tab/ page contains the exhibitors for the annual meeting. By visiting this page you will have the ability to interact with the information provided from our Exhibitors. By clicking on the Sponsor Name/ Link, you will be directed to the associated sponsor's page where you will find accessible documents, videos, and information.



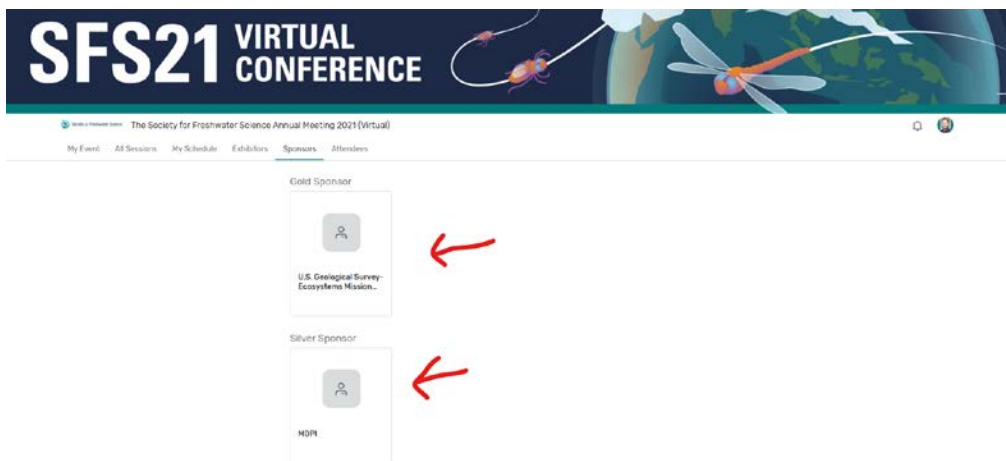
Exhibitors

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 Exhibitor 1 
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 Exhibitor 3
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On Demand

We are currently working to provide an On Demand tab/ page for the platform. Each virtual session will be recorded. Once the session has completed, the associated video recording will be populated to the On Demand page for you to view at your convenience. All pre-recorded sessions will also be populated to this tab/ page as well.

This concludes the overview of the SFS 2021 Virtual Platform. Additional information will be provided leading up to the annual meeting. Expect additional emails as the meeting draws near that may provide further helpful information for navigating the site and or provide updates on the annual meeting.

Important Notes for ALL Presenters

[The Detailed Session Schedule](#) has been updated so that most abstracts/ presentations are now searchable however there are still abstracts that are being affected by an issue that we haven't resolved completely. Additionally, presentations are still being uploaded to the virtual platform. Seth will be reaching out to individuals that have not provided their presentation, need to upload to YouTube, etc in the next couple of day or so. If you are searching for them in the Virtual Platform and not finding them, they have not been uploaded yet.

Poster Presenters:

Many of you have reached out about when your LIVE presentations are scheduled. An email went out on May 4th detailing the schedule and the sessions associated with the dates and times. That information is provided on the following page. **VERY IMPORTANT:** You will receive an email from Seth on Thursday May 20th that includes your schedule date/ time and your HOST URL LINK for your LIVE presentation.

Oral Presenters:

Please remember that your Special/ Contributed session is pre-recorded and available to all attendees on-demand, but the moderated discussion assigned to your designated theme is a LIVE event. We **HIGHLY** encourage you to participate in your presentations associated moderated discussion.

LIVE Poster Presentation Schedule

***All Times are EDT**

Monday, May 24th from 2 pm to 3:30 pm	Tuesday, May 25th from 2 pm to 3:30 pm	Wednesday, May 26th from 5 pm to 6:30 pm
C04: Microbial Ecology	C01: Algae	C03: Invertebrates
C06: Large River Ecology	C02: Fish and Other Aquatic Vertebrates	C05: Unionid Ecology
C13: Ecotoxicology	C07: Lentic Ecology	C09: Wetland Ecology
C14: Hydroecology	C08: Urban Ecology	C10: Biogeochemistry
C20: Climate Change	C18: Biodiversity	C11: Community Ecology
C28: Land-Water Interfaces	C22: Disturbance	C16: Restoration Ecology
C30: Molecular Ecology	C31: Organic Matter Processing	C17: Bioassessment
C36: Water Resource Management	S01: Finding solutions to wicked problems in urban stream management & rehabilitation	C23: Education
S04: Animal legacies lost and found	S03: Scaling the effects of flow regimes over space, time, and levels of biological organization	C24: Eutrophication
S07: Biogeochemical and ecological change in Arctic lakes and rivers	S06: Linkages in urban aquatic systems: movements, transformations, and restoration ranging from chemical cocktails to organisms	C25: Food Webs
S10: Herstory in Freshwater Sciences	S08: Inequitable Waterscapes: Examining Environmental Justice in Aquatic Systems	C26: Invasive Species
S11: Greenhouse gases in tropical streams, rivers, lakes and wetlands: current work and future research needs	S13: From boxes and arrows to big data: the future of ecological modeling in freshwater science	C27: Landuse and Non-Point Source Impacts
S14: Challenges in tropical stream conservation	S16: Beyond lentic or lotic: Integrating the science of inland waters	C32: Primary and Secondary Production
S21: The social and ecological implications of wastewater in freshwater systems	S18: Salinization of Freshwater Ecosystems	C37: Stoichiometry
S21: The social and ecological implications of wastewater in freshwater systems	S19: Beyond Breakdown: Detrital nutrient dynamics in freshwater ecosystems	S05: "The valley rules the stream": restoring the landscape to restore the stream
		S09: Exploring freshwater ecosystems under a changing climate via storm-driven nutrient, carbon, and sediment transport and biogeochemical cycling
		S12: Freshwater ecosystems in states of transformation: inclusive approaches to advance temporary stream science
		S15: The scholarship of teaching and learning in Freshwater Science: Pandemic edition
		S17: Think positive: Exploring the consequence(s) of positive interspecific interactions from community structuring to ecosystem processes.
		S20: Securing biodiversity, functional integrity and ecosystem services in drying rivers
		S22: Trash talk: Ecology of anthropogenic materials in freshwaters