

# 2016 SCIALOG CONFERENCE

*Time Domain Astrophysics*

## **Guest Information**

### **WESTWARD LOOK RESORT CONTACT INFORMATION**

Address: Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa  
245 E. Ina Rd., Tucson, AZ 85704

Westward Look Resort Front Desk: Phone: 520-297-1151 (24 hours)  
Fax: 520-297-9023  
Printing/faxing requests accommodated here  
Complimentary WiFi access available throughout the resort

Business Center: Open 24 hours with guestroom key access only  
Located off the Lobby/Vigas Room

### **RESEARCH CORPORATION CONTACT INFORMATION**

Pre-Conference (Prior to 10/13/2016)

RCSA Office: 520-571-1111

On-Site (10/13/2016 – 10/16/2016)

RCSA Program/Conference Director: Richard Wiener (Mobile#: 520-979-0019)

RCSA Conference Coordinator: Ceri Shultz (Mobile#: 520-591-5627)

### **GROUND TRANSPORTATION**

Arrivals into Tucson International Airport

Please take a taxi to Westward Look. The ride is about 30 minutes. We encourage sharing a cab with other Scialog participants if possible. If there are special circumstances which require a car rental from the Tucson Airport please contact Richard in advance for approval.

Arrivals into Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport

Should you be arriving into Phoenix, you will need to rent a car as it is the only economical form of transportation. We encourage carpooling if possible. Rental cars from Phoenix Airport will be reimbursed for Scialog Fellows, Keynote Speakers and Discussion Facilitators, so please save receipts. Note that it is approximately a 2 hour drive to Westward Look from the airport depending upon possible rush hour delays.

### **REGISTRATION**

Registration for the conference, in lobby, starts at 1:00 PM Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, with the opening poster session and reception beginning at 5:00 PM.

## **MEALS**

All meals, snacks and drinks are provided. Dinners are followed by the option of socializing with fellow attendees with beverages available for purchase at the Lookout Bar & Grille until 11:00 PM. The conference ends at 11:00 AM on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will be available to go for those who will not be dining on-site.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Guest room accommodations each have their own balcony or patio and are situated throughout the 80-acre property with outside entrances surrounded by the natural environment of the Tucson desert.

The guest rooms are a short walk from the dining and conference area and you will be walking along low lit paths in the evening. The walk areas are well lit, but the surrounding area is quite dark so you may want to bring a small flashlight to carry with you. Remember that the Westward Look is in the desert and shares the space with desert creatures that may be out at night. It is important to keep your guest room door closed to prevent unwanted critters (including snakes and scorpions) that might otherwise come for a visit.

## **WEATHER CONDITIONS**

The average high and low temperatures in mid October are 85°F and 60°F. We anticipate mostly sunny days during the conference, however there is always a possibility for a brief rain shower.

## **CONFERENCE ATTIRE**

Dress in layers to adjust to temperature changes both inside the meeting rooms and outdoors. Dress is casual. Wear comfortable shoes for walking about the grounds.

## **GUIDED NATURE WALK**

There will be an optional nature walk on the Westward Look Resort grounds guided by the Head Landscaper, a Master Gardener/Naturalist, on Saturday from 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM. You can sign up when you check-in or at any time during the conference (please note that there are limited slots for this activity).

## **RECREATION**

- Outdoor heated swimming pools
- 24-hour fitness center
- Lighted tennis courts
- Basketball and volleyball courts
- Sonoran Spa
- Nature trails for hiking/mountain biking
- Horseback riding
- Telescope for stargazing