



The American Fisheries Society, President Steve McMullin and the Mid-Atlantic Chapter extend a warm invite to attend the 148th AFS Annual Meeting in Atlantic City, August 19 – 23, 2018. From beaches and boardwalks, to fishing, kayaking and amusement parks, Atlantic City has something for everyone. Be sure to pack your flip flops and board shorts for the Wednesday night networking event to be held beachfront.

We hope that this year's theme, "Communicating the Science of Fisheries Conservation to Diverse Audiences" will stimulate a wide range of sessions encompassing the extensive diversity of fisheries, professionals, disciplines and issues represented within the society. We are encouraging symposia topics, contributed papers and posters encompassing the broad diversity within fisheries that will benefit a range of audiences with the aim of advancing the science of fisheries ecology, conservation, and management. In addition, we hope to develop programming and sessions that will directly engage fishing industry stakeholders on issues of mutual interest and encourage their attendance at the meeting.



The fabulous Atlantic City beachfront. Photo credit: Atlantic City Convention Center

SYMPOSIA

- **Proposals for Symposia** must be submitted by **January 19, 2018**.
 - [Use this link to upload](#) your session idea. Be sure to include a proposed title, a short description and names of moderators.
- Accepted Symposia proposals will be posted on the conference website on **February 14, 2018**.
- If accepted, organizers must submit a complete list of confirmed presentations and titles by **March 9, 2018**.
- **Abstracts for Symposium oral presentations** must be submitted by **March 16, 2018**.

CONTRIBUTED PAPERS AND POSTERS

- Those who wish to present in **Contributed Papers** or **Poster** sessions at the 2018 AFS meeting are required to submit abstracts by **March 16, 2018**. This includes **Student Presentations**.
- Confirmation of acceptance or refusal of abstracts will be communicated by **April 18, 2018**.
- Student presentations will be considered for a “best presentation” award if the student fills out additional application paperwork available at www.fisheriessociety.org/education/BSP.htm.



Atlantic City skyline. Photo credit: Atlantic City Convention Center

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AFS does not waive registration fees for presenters at symposia or contributed papers sessions or workshops.

Registration forms will be available on the AFS website (fisheries.org/meetings) in May 2018; **register early** for cost savings.

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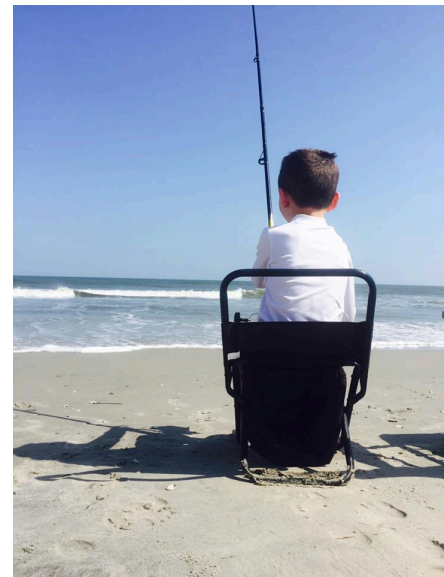
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We'll be waiting for you on the beach! Credit: Jason Morson.