

## SHOW PREVIEW

# SSPC rebrands its annual show and heads to DisneyWorld to celebrate

If you make, use, or just like to talk about coatings, enjoy the beautiful Florida weather and everything new and exciting in the protective coatings industry at SSPC 2019.



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The only show entirely dedicated to protective, marine, industrial, and commercial coatings, SSPC 2019 Coatings+ Conference will be held February 11-14, 2019, at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Formerly known as SSPC featuring GreenCOAT, the newly rebranded show will feature innovative technical presentations, exciting networking events, state-of-the-art training programs, and an action-packed exhibit hall. The annual conference and exhibition from SSPC: The Society for Protective Coatings (SSPC) will be packed with everything you need to help you meet your personal and professional goals in the protective coatings industry.

Over the past 8 years, the SSPC conference has become the go-to event for protective coatings products, training, and information. Come check out the

latest and greatest in coatings and take another step forward in your evolution as a coatings professional.

### Exhibition

More than 140 leaders in the coatings industry are already registered to exhibit at SSPC 2019, making it the perfect opportunity to see the protective coatings industry's latest innovations and advancements. The product-packed exhibit hall will give you a chance to gain hands-on experience with the latest innovations in surface preparation equipment, coatings application equipment, inspection equipment, abrasives, protective coatings, various professional services, and more.

### Education

The Technical Program will serve as a forum at which contractors, consultants, inspectors, engineers, paint and equipment manufacturers, and struc-

ture/facility owners will exchange the latest research and technologies in the coatings industry. More than 100 speakers will be presenting lectures, discussion panels, and demonstrations.

Whether you're looking to get an advanced certification or refresh on some basics, this show represents the best opportunity to get training, with more classes at one time, in one place, than any other time of year. The program will offer numerous opportunities to discover new coatings technology and provide a variety of topics that lead to industry solutions.

This year's sessions and workshops include: Enhanced Corrosion Protection and Increased Service Life of Powder Coated Parts on Sea Vessels; Basic Coatings Inspection Instrument Use; Coatings 101; Exploring Differing Views on Causes of Coating Failures; Mechanical Performance of Nanopar-

ticles Enriched Zinc Rich Coatings; How Have the Latest Instrument Developments Changed the Way We Measure Profile?; and Considering Overcoating?... Details to Examine.

In addition, SSPC will be offering more than 30 training courses at the show to help train all coating professionals, including blasters and painters, inspectors, consultants, engineers, and facility owners. You must register for the courses separately from the conference, and the deadline for registering is January 18, 2019. Available courses include: Abrasive Blasting Program (C7); Basics of Estimating Industrial Coatings Projects (EST); Coating Application Specialist Certification Program (CAS); Fundamentals of Protective Coatings (C1); and Protective Coatings Inspector Program (PCI).

### Special events

SSPC 2019 will feature a variety of special events, including a Welcome Reception on Monday night, a Keynote Address with breakfast on Tuesday morning, an Exhibit Hall Reception on Tuesday night, complimentary lunch with exhibitors in the exhibit hall on Wednesday and Thursday, and a Closing Blast on Thursday.

The Phil Calvo Memorial Golf Tournament is returning for the second year. It will be held on February 10, the day before the Conference starts, at Disney's Magnolia Golf Course. Proceeds from this event benefit the SSPC Scholarship Program.

The Annual Meeting and Awards Lunch will be held on Monday, February 11. Join the association's leaders and board members as well as your peers as the 2019 award recipients are honored. Awards will be presented for outstanding achievement demonstrating aesthetic merit in industrial coatings work, outstanding industrial or commercial project demonstrating longevity of the original coating, extraordinary contribution and long-term activity on behalf of SSPC, and more.

In addition, more than 30 technical committee meetings will take place during the show. SSPC strongly encourages member participation in the

work of these committees. Attending these meetings will provide an opportunity to discuss progress related to the development of standards, technical guidelines, and more. **PC**



### More info

**Location.** SSPC 2019 Coatings+ Conference will be held at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort, 1000 Buena Vista Dr., Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830. The resort is 30 minutes from the Orlando International Airport.

**Hotel.** All conference activities and hotel rooms are located at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort. A block of rooms has been reserved at a discounted rate of \$187 per night on a first-come, first-serve basis. Reservations must be made through the Housing tab of the show's website or by calling the Disney Reservations Team at 407/939-4686.

**Conference hours.** 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 11, and Tuesday, February 12; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13; and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Thursday, February 14.

**Exhibit hours.** 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12; 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13; and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 14.

**Registration.** Registration is available on the show's website or onsite at the show. Admission is available for the full conference and corresponding events, as a one-day pass, and for exhibits only. Pre-show registration is available at a discounted rate until December 17, 2018. SSPC members will receive an additional discount.

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