

# 75th Tuna Conference

Lake Arrowhead, California May 19-22, 2025

Tuna Through Time: Honoring 75 Years of Science and Sustainability

# **Third Announcement**

## February 20, 2025

This is a reminder of your invitation to the 75<sup>th</sup> Tuna Conference (<u>http://www.tunaconference.org/</u>) at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Lake Arrowhead Lodge (<u>https://lakearrowheadlodge.com/</u>), Monday through Thursday, <u>May 19-22, 2025</u>. Please share this announcement with any other interested parties.

In order to secure our venue and lodging, we must receive your registration and full payment no later than **February 28, 2025**. Please R.S.V.P. your intent to attend on or before this date. Please share this announcement with any other interested parties and refer to our webpage www.tunaconference.org for detailed information.

The annual Tuna Conference is sponsored by the NOAA Fisheries and the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, and it attracts an international community of scientists and participants interested in research on tunas and tuna-like species and their associated fisheries and ecosystems. The Tuna Conference provides an informal forum for the presentation of ongoing research and developing theories, and unique opportunities for stimulating exchanges of views and opinions.

**"Tuna Through Time: Honoring 75 Years of Science and Sustainability."** The first Tuna Conference was held in 1950 and was focused mainly on tunas and their fisheries along the U.S. West Coast. However, it has since expanded in scope and impact to become a venue that guides and informs the research, management, and conservation of tunas, tuna-like fishes, and their ecosystems around the world. While the tools and techniques available to address fundamental research questions have evolved and improved greatly over time, many of the research themes presented at the early meetings remain relevant today and will continue to be important in the future. Some examples include approaches to identify and delineate stocks, understand seasonal migration patterns, estimate variations in population abundance, determine age and characterize growth patterns, and increase efficiency in data processing. To celebrate the rich history of the conference and its contributions, we welcome presentations that capture the history of specific research avenues or the careers of dedicated researchers (i.e., the past), report on the current status of research areas or technologies (i.e., the present), or provide insights on focal areas for research moving forward (i.e., the future).

Presentations that address key challenges faced by researchers, industry personel, stakeholders, managers and policy makers with regards to the conservation and management of large pelagic animals and their supporting ecosystems are encouraged for the 2025 Tuna Conference. However, as always, we welcome presentations on tuna and tuna-like species whether they conform to the theme or not.

#### **Presentations and Posters**

Oral presentations are allotted around 15 minutes and 5 minutes for questions and discussion depending on the number of talks being presented. Audio-visual equipment such as projectors and laptops will be available for participants making oral presentations. We will also offer an author-attended poster session, providing a less-structured opportunity for attendees to interact with their colleagues on topics of mutual interest.

Guidelines for the required one-page, single-spaced abstract are also enclosed. The abstracts must be received by <u>February 28, 2025</u> with your complete registration form and full payment.

#### **Registration**

The attached registration form and <u>full payment</u> (except for students applying for scholarships) must be returned by <u>February 28, 2025</u> in order to secure your room and this <u>payment is non-refundable</u>. All meals are included in the room rates. Buffets with a variety of selections are available for breakfast and lunch, and a four-course meal is served for dinner. It is recommended that reservations be made as soon as possible as the number of rooms available will be based upon responses received by <u>February 28, 2025</u>. Reservations may be transmitted using any of the following options:

- Fax to (858) 546-5652
- Email to <u>tunaconferenceinfo@gmail.com or</u>
- Mail to Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NOAA\NMFS
  - 75<sup>th</sup> Tuna Conference, Attn: Stephanie Flores
  - 8901 La Jolla Shores Drive
  - La Jolla, CA 92037-1509

Payments may be made as follows (in US dollars):

- Check/Money Order: Made payable through a US Bank to the "Tuna Conference"
- Credit Card through Paypal: go to <u>https://www.tunaconference.org/current-information</u> look for the document titled "Credit Card Reference Sheet" for fees. (note service fees are included in the amounts given) and push "<u>Buy Now</u>" button on the same page to pay thru Paypal.
- Wire transfer: please contact us directly and we will send instruction
- Government Purchase Order for NMFS employees only

Please note that **full payment** is <u>non-refundable</u>, due to contractual obligations assumed by the Tuna Conference with the UCLA Lake Arrowhead Lodge.

#### <u>Rooms</u>

There is one main options for lodging: shared rooms. The **shared rooms** are in a two-story cabins with shared living room area and a wood-burning fireplace. All rooms have private baths and queen size beds. The upstairs room is a loft that opens to the living room and the downstairs "room" is a bed as part of the living room. There are also a few other limited options for rooms. See registration form for pricing if interested.

#### <u>Shuttle</u>

A round-trip shuttle service will be available to those attending all four days of the conference. The shuttle leaves from SWFSC/IATTC facility in La Jolla on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. <u>sharp</u> and will return from Lake Arrowhead on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, arriving back in La Jolla around 6:00 p.m.

This service is chartered by a private company and pricing will depend on the number of participants riding the shuttle; the more people that ride the shuttle, the cheaper the cost. We estimate the cost per person will range from \$40 to \$175 (round-trip ride, taxes and tip). A required **<u>non-refundable</u>** deposit of \$40 will be collected on or before **<u>February 28, 2025.</u>** Please note your interest in riding the shuttle on your registration form; and provide the deposit to your full payment to reserve your spot. The remaining balance will be due at the time of arrival on **May 19, 2024** during check-in.

#### **General Notes:**

- 1. The Conference will begin on Monday (May 19<sup>th</sup>), with the first session starting at 1:00 p.m.
- 2. You may not check into your room until Monday at 4:00 p.m. (no early 'check-in') this is Conference Center management policy. Please **do not** bring any pets (unless it is a service animal).
- 3. <u>No</u> smoking is allowed anywhere within the UCLA Conference facilities and grounds.
- 4. Conference registration will be open starting at 11 a.m. on Monday in the Library. Conference registration will also be available throughout the week for late-arriving individuals in the same location.
- 5. Long-distance travelers should plan to book accommodations in La Jolla/San Diego or surroundings for Sunday night and ride the shuttle (or drive) to the Conference on Monday, arriving in time for the first session that begins at 1:00 p.m. Those wishing to spend additional nights at Lake Arrowhead either

before or after the Conference, must arrange accommodations independently or can work with the Tuna Conference Coordinator.

- 6. The Conference will finish at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, after lunch, which will be served at 12:00 p.m. Check-out time is 11:00 a.m. from your room.
- 7. Individuals who choose to attend any Conference-related event, but do not wish to stay overnight at the Conference Center itself, will be charged \$141 per full day (referred to as a 'Commuter Attendee' guest charge) is <u>non-refundable</u>. This daily charge includes all meals served that day (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) and the use of facilities and services this is Conference Center management policy. Please note that Commuter Attendance may not be available, depending on the overall level of bookings at the Conference Center. Keep in mind that 'commuters' must also pay the one-time Conference registration fee of \$150 which is also non-refundable.
- 8. Whether you attend or not please return the registration form or notify us if you wish to update your current information. Please include your e-mail address and/or fax number as we would like to send you information about future Tuna Conferences. Also, information is always available on our website www.tunaconference.org

#### **Important Dates**

**February 28, 2024** – <u>Non-refundable</u> Full payment, registration form, abstract, and shuttle <u>non-refundable</u> deposit are due.

Brad Erisman and Travis Richards, Chairs of the 75<sup>th</sup> Tuna Conference Stephanie Flores, 75<sup>th</sup> Tuna Conference Coordinator

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Visit the Tuna Conference's webpage at: www.tunaconference.org

The Tuna Conference thrives thanks to the generous support of its sponsors. These contributions enable us to foster a dynamic and engaging environment that encourages collaboration and meaningful connections among attendees. Many thanks to <u>International Seafood Sustainability Foundation</u>, <u>Wildlife Computers</u>, <u>Hinchinbrook Hallprint</u>, <u>Albacore Research Foundation</u>, <u>Sportfishing Association of California</u>, and <u>Prime Time Seafood</u>, for their generous donations to this year's meeting.



If you would like to donate to the Tuna Conference, please contact tunaconferenceinfo@gmail.com.



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Tuna Conference 2025 Registration Form								
ATTENDING [	□ Not Attending: <b>KEEP</b> on emailing list □ <b>REMOVE</b> from ema					ailing list		
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Complete the following sections ONLY if you are attending the conference								
Room Type or Center Use (see notes)		Days attending		Total Number of Days		ROOM CHARGE = Days × Daily Rate		
Shared Room With:		□ 5/19 □ 5/20 □ 5/21			\$325	\$		
Vintage Single Room		□ 5/19 □ 5/20 □ 5/21			\$345	\$		
<b>Deluxe Room</b> (Entire Condolet to yourself)		□ 5/19 □ 5/20 □ 5/21			\$509	\$		
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ROOM CHARGE (From above)( <u>Non-refundable</u> )								
<b>REGISTRATION FEE (<u>Non-refundable</u>)</b>								
TOTAL <u>NON-REFUNDABLE</u> CONFERENCE CHARGES DUE BY <u>February 28, 2025</u> (Room Charges + Registration Fee + Other):								

Special Needs: 
Level Access Room 
Vegetarian Meal 
Other (specify):

Presentation Type (if any)		Deper Paper	Dester Dester	☐ Willing to serve as session moderator			
Equipment needed:  Computer (PowerPoint)  Other:							
Check Off List:	Registration Form   Payment   Payment #:   Abstract				Abstract		
****Please be advised that abstracts will be posted to the Tuna Conference website in PDF format****							
Paying with: Check Cash Money Order *PayPal **Wire Transfer							

\*Note: Paypal/Credit Card charges a service fee. See "Credit Card Reference Sheet," attached and at <u>www.tunaconference.org</u>. Pay by Paypal click here "<u>BUY NOW</u>" \*\*Note: Wire Transfer - send an e-mail to <u>tunaconferenceinfo@gmail.com</u> and you will be sent the required information. Fees apply.

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(These includes all	the Paypal	fees for using a credit card)	
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Only registration	\$156.00	Only registration	\$159.00
One night at Shared plus registration	\$491.00	One night at Shared plus registration	\$500.00
Two nights at Shared plus registration	\$826.00	Two nights at Shared plus registration	\$840.00
Three nights at Shared plus registration	\$1,161.00	Three nights at Shared plus registration	\$1,180.00
One night at Vintage Single room rate plus registration	\$511.00	One night at Vintage Single room rate plus registration	\$521.00
Two nights at Vintage Single room rate plus registration	\$867.00	Two nights at Vintage Single room rate plus registration	\$881.00
Three nights at Vintage Single room rates plus registration	\$1,223.00	Three nights at Vintage Single room rates plus registration	\$1,242.00
One night at Deluxe room rate plus registration	\$680.00	One night at Deluxe room rate plus registration	\$692.00
Two nights at Deluxe room rate plus registration	\$1,205.00	Two nights at Deluxe room rate plus registration	\$1,224.00
Three nights at Deluxe room rates plus registration	\$1,730.00	Three nights at Deluxe room rates plus registration	\$1,757.00
One Half day Commuter Fee plus registration	\$234.00	One Half day Commuter Fee plus registration	\$238.00
One Full Day Commuter Fee plus registration	\$301.00	One Full Day Commuter Fee plus registration	\$307.00
Two Full Days Commuter Fees plus registration	\$446.00	Two Full Days Commuter Fees plus registration	\$455.00
		Two Full Days and One Half day Commuter Fees plus	
Two Full Days and One Half day Commuter Fees plus registration	\$524.00	registration	\$533.00
		Two Full Days and Two Half days Commuter Fees plus	
Two Full Days and Two Half days Commuter Fees plus registration	\$601.00	registration	\$612.00
Shuttle (please add this amount to any of the above options)	\$42.00	Shuttle (please add this amount to any of the above options)	\$45.00



### (Title) GUIDELINES FOR 75th TUNA CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

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This page is an example of the abstract format. It provides guidelines to assist in the preparation of your abstract and to facilitate compilation of the 75<sup>th</sup> Tuna Conference proceedings. The proceedings will be available at the start of the Conference.

#### The deadline for inclusion of your abstract in the proceedings is February 28, 2025.

Abstracts must be submitted for both papers and poster presentations and should be clear in stating objectives and summarizing results and conclusions. If you are describing ongoing research, you should summarize results obtained to date. The title, authors, agency or school affiliation, and senior author's mailing address should be included. Do not include literature citations.

Each abstract will be printed on one American quarto (216 mm x 279 mm) page with 25 mm (1 in) margins, with text in 11 point Times New Roman, and using full-block justification. Abstracts exceeding the one-page format will be edited (perhaps truncated) to fit.

If possible, abstracts should be submitted by computer file. The preferred format is MS Word; plain ASCII text files are also acceptable. You are encouraged to send MS Word and ASCII files via email to <u>tunaconferenceinfo@gmail.com</u>. Otherwise, CDs are acceptable.

If you cannot send a computer file, you may submit a camera-ready hard copy, preferably on American quarto paper. If you must use A4 paper, try to adjust the margins to 25 mm on the top and left side, 20 mm on the right side, and 42 mm on the bottom. If you need further clarification, contact:

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