

Dear Colleague:

It is my pleasure to invite you to attend Mirror Technology Days 2006 held September 18 thru 20 at the Kirtland Air Force Base Conference Center in Albuquerque New Mexico. Tech Days 2006 is being managed by the New Mexico Optics Industry Association (NMOIA) and registration support is being provided by SPIE The International Optical Engineering Society.

The purpose of Tech Days is to publicly summarize work being done by Government vendors under contract or SBIR in the area of mirror technology development. Tech Days serves several functions. First, it acts like a public peer review of how each vendor is spending the taxpayer's money. Second, it informs other governmental organizations and contractors of what work is being supported by the taxpayer such that they might be able to take advantage of this work or avoid duplicate funding of similar activities. Third, it provides a networking opportunity for vendors, contractors and government.

Tech Days 2005 is a jointly organized by multiple agencies. This year's committee is:

- Dr. Brett de Blonk, U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory, Space Vehicles Directorate
- Lt. Katy Boehme, USN, National Reconnaissance Office
- Dr. David Content, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
- Dr. Doug Deason, U.S. Army Space & Missile Defense Command
- Dr. Bianca E. N. Keeler, Sandia National Laboratory
- Dr. B. Martin Levine, Jet Propulsion Laboratory
- Dr. Larry Matson, U.S. Air Force Research Laboratory, Material Directorate
- Dr. H. Philip Stahl, NASA Marshall Space Flight Center

Tech Days is an 'open' meeting. To Register go to: <http://spie.org/events/MTD>

Additional information including the conference hotel and how to exhibit at Tech Days can be found at NMOIA's website: <http://nmoptics.com/events/mirrortechdays.html>

In addition to the Technical Program, NMOIA is hosting a reception at the Albuquerque Balloon Museum on Monday evening (requires a separate \$20 ticket); and an informal reception on Tuesday evening at the conference hotel (Clubhouse Inn). Also, there will be a classified tour of the Air Force SOR facility and NMOIA is setting up tours of local Albuquerque companies.

Previous Tech Days presentations can be reviewed on the NASA Tech Days Web Site.

http://optics.nasa.gov/tech_days/index.html

Sincerely;

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Hotel Information

Clubhouse Inn & Suites

1315 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87107
Telephone: 505-345-0010 Fax: 505-344-3911
<http://www.albuquerque.clubhouseinn.com/>

By Phone

Call toll free 866-345-0010 and ask for the New Mexico Optics Industry Association 2006 Mirror Tech Days rate (\$66.00 single / \$71.00 double – suites are available for \$86.00).

If you need shuttling to and from the airport, please let us know when you make your reservations.

Online Booking Instructions

- Visit <http://albuquerque.clubhouseinn.com/reservations.php> and click on the phrase "Check rates, availability & instantly book online!"
- In the new window that pops up, enter your dates and the number of guests. In the "Promo Code" box enter the word "NMOIA" (no quotes). Then click "next".
- You will be taken to a page customized for New Mexico Optics Industry Association 2006 Mirror Tech Days that lists our room types (with photos) and their rates. Choose a room type and click next. You will be directed to the checkout page.

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