



PITTSBURGH SOCIETY FOR COATINGS TECHNOLOGY

APRIL 10, 2023 KTA-TATOR OPEN HOUSE



KTA-Tator, Inc.
145 Enterprise Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15275

Board Meeting
4:30-5:30 pm

Video Presentation
Dinner / Election
5:30-6:00 pm

Tour of New Corporate Facility
6:00-6:30 pm

RSVP by:
March 31, 2023
psct@paintsociety.org

KTA-TATOR OPEN HOUSE

KTA-Tator, Inc. (KTA) provides facility owners, architects/engineers, contractors, fabricators, and manufacturers peace of mind that the integrity of steel and concrete structures and other assets are properly assessed and protected. KTA's specialties include coatings and corrosion engineering and inspection; steel and concrete fabrication inspection; field and laboratory coatings failure analysis; environmental. Health and safety consulting; and contract administration for maintenance and corrosion activities. In January 2021 KTA moved into their new corporate headquarters located a brief drive from their previous location. The two-story structure sits on 18 acres of land, of which 9 acres have already been developed for future growth. KTA is proud to offer a tour of this new facility particularly the nine laboratories it offers including a new climate-controlled calibration laboratory.



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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



Dear PSCT Members,

On Monday, March 13th we hosted Scott Van Remortel, Applications & Technology Manager at Covia in Independence, Ohio. Scott's talk was titled Advanced Filler Technology and Applications Update from Covia for Increased Physical Performance in Waterborne Industrial and Solar Reflectivity in Cool Coatings. We'd like to thank Covia for supporting the PSCT as they had several people join us in-person at Roldands. If you'd like a copy of Scott's talk, please reach out to me and we can get you a copy.

On Monday, April 10th we will be moving to an off-site location for our monthly meeting. This month we will be meeting at KTA-Tator 145 Enterprise Dr, Pittsburgh, PA 15275, which is located near the airport. If you are interested in joining, we will be starting at 5:30PM. Food, drinks and a tour of the new building will be included. We ask that you RSVP at events@paintsociety.org or pay on-line at www.PaintSociety.org if you are joining us in-person. This is an in-person event so there will be no way to connect virtually as we've done with our speaker series. We like to extend thanks to KTA-Tator for hosting us. For more information on their company please visit <https://kta.com>.

The application deadline for the Hiram P. Ball Memorial Scholarship was Wednesday, March 15th, 2023. We'd like to thank each of the applicants and will be announcing the winners of the scholarship after our April board meeting. As a reminder for next year, applicants must be children of active members who meet eligibility requirements. The sponsoring member must have attended 4 PSCT events in 2023-2024. Student members must meet eligibility requirements.

At our April meeting we will be voting on our next slate of officers. If you have an interest in helping to serve the local coatings community then this is a great chance to do so. Let any current officer or board member know immediately of your intent. We will be electing Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director-at-Large and ACA Society Liaison Representative (a 2 year term).

PPG is our first corporate sponsor, so if you work for PPG and want to join the PSCT for 2023-2024 then please let us know. Over the next months, we will be sending brochures out to employees at PPG who may have an interest in our organization.

I would like to remind everyone that membership is still open and encourage anyone who is interested in advertising their company or sales/business development team to contact us (psct1927@paintsociety.org) and let us know

President's Message continued: 🖱️

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MAY 10, 2023: Liberty Magic – Lucy Darling in

INDULGENCE

RSVP By April 4 – events@paintsociety.org

Payment By April 15 – www.paintsociety.org

SEE PAGE 3 FOR DETAILS.

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

As the 2022-2023 year comes to an end we are preparing for our 2023-2024 season. We look forward to some eager new faces who are looking to join the board of directors or chair positions. If interested in an Office or Committee, please contact Melissa Swogger at mswogger@kta.com. Election will be at the April 10, 2023 meeting.

Nominations Committee Slate of Candidates

Vice-President: **Greg Stewart**

Secretary: **Don Hart**

Treasurer: **Jim Wasik**

Director-At-Large: **Barbara Anderson**

ACA Society Liaison Rep. (2 year term): **Jeff Scherm**

Nomination will be accepted from the floor at the April 10th meeting. Nominee must be willing to serve if elected.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Potential opportunities exist for the 2023-24 year to present. If you are interested in presenting, please contact Barb Anderson at andersonb@troycorp.com. We have already filled up slots for Spring 2023 and have started with Fall 2023. We are also interested in getting feedback on incorporating a poster session for students into one of our Spring meetings.

you would like to post your business cards or a ¼, ½ or full-page advertisements in our monthly newsletter. These advertisements help support the operational fund for PSCT. Any NEW membership or advertisement purchased after April 1st will be good through the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

We saved the best for last. Details for our Spring social event which will take place on Wednesday May 10th at Liberty Magic. UP-CLOSE Magic in an intimate venue, (see page 3). We sent a communication on this event earlier this week. Knowing if you are interested is important for our final headcount which is due April 4th. Please RSVP at events@paintsociety.org. Payment is due by April 15th and can be paid through the website.

We look forward to seeing you all at KTA-Tator on April 10th!

Best regards, Art Kasson: PSCT President 2022-23



**PSCT May Social Event at Liberty Magic:
with Lucy Darling in INDULGENCE
Wed, May 10, 2023 at 7:00PM**

The playfully provocative Lucy Darling is just one character in the arsenal of endlessly talented performer, Carissa Hendrix. Her philosophy? “Why be just one fabulous person when you can be many fabulous people?” With cleverness, magnetism and exceptionally good hair, Lucy breaks all expectations in this character driven exploration of magic and scintillating banter. Her mastery over both subtle sleights and powerful visual magic has made Lucy the most beloved character in stand up magic.

Unbelievably hilarious, devastatingly clever, and powerfully magical, Lucy Darling is a rising star and award-winning entertainer featured in the *Guinness Book of World Records* and *Ripley’s Believe It or Not*. She is the star of the Super Channel documentary *Carisa Hendrix: Girl on Fire*, which tells the true story of the struggle to create her Las Vegas magic show. She was voted Stage Magician of the Year at the Magic Castle in 2019. Lucy’s creator, Carisa Hendrix, is a Canada-based touring variety artist known first for the character of Lucy Darling and second for her expertise in fire eating.



Run Time: 70 minutes

Wheelchair seating available

CHILD POLICY: Best for ages 18 and up; no one under 12 will be admitted. To help determine whether a show is appropriate for your child, we encourage you to seek additional information about the show. Policies may vary per presenter.

All patrons attending a performance must have a paid reservation. Anyone disturbing the enjoyment of other patrons may be removed from the venue at the discretion of the theater’s management. No refund will be given.

Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2023 • Lobby Act at 7:00 • Show at 7:30

SHOW TICKET PRICE: \$45 PER PERSON

RSVP to events@paintsociety.org • Payment due by April 15, 2023

Pre-show dinner at nearby restaurant to be announced.

Dinner not included in show ticket price.

MEMBERSHIP

It is past time to renew your dues for the 2022 – 2023 membership year (July 1 – June 30) for the Pittsburgh Society for Coatings Technology. This year is the 95th Anniversary of the PSCT. The PSCT objectives are promoting the welfare and education of the members through exchange of emerging technologies. Also, promoting educational scholarship to undergraduate students remains a prime objective of the PSCT.

New members joining after April 1, 2023 will have their membership extended through June 30, 2024.

Visit the PSCT website (<http://paintsociety.org>) for information about the Society and upcoming events, it also offers an easy way to join or renew a membership. (A \$5 convenience charge is added to PayPal payments).

WEBSITE

Please visit <http://www.paintsociety.org> and view the website, including the current newsletter, President's message, upcoming events and more. Don't forget to RSVP and pay for the upcoming dinner meeting and events from the home page of the website. You can also renew your membership directly online.

ADVERTISE IN THE PSCT NEWSLETTER

We would like to thank all of the companies who advertised with us in the past and hope we can count on your continued support. Advertisements will continue through the May 2023 newsletter. We can also do special announcements for one or two newsletters (prices vary by size and scope). Please contact Andy Meshanko at ameshanko@ppg.com.

Business Card	\$200	3.625" wide x 2" high
Quarter Page	\$300	3.625" wide x 4.875 high
Half Page	\$500	7.5" wide x 4.875 high
Full Page	\$750	7.5" wide x 10" high

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT

The 2023 scholarship deadline has passed. The recipients of the scholarship and grant will be announced in May. As a reminder for next year, applicants must be children of active members who meet eligibility requirements. The sponsoring member must have attended 4 PSCT events in 2023-24. Student Members must also meet eligibility requirements.



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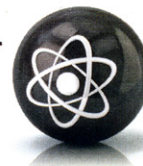
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Registration is now open for
**The 66th Annual Sink or Swim
Technical Symposium**
June 6 – 7, 2023

**Advances in Coatings Technology:
Current Trends And Implications for the Coatings Industry**

<https://clevelandcoatingsociety.org/event/2023-sink-or-swim/>

Welcome! Although the world has returned to a semblance of normalcy, the challenges we faced the past several years, including supply chain disruptions, shortages of raw materials, pressure to address regulatory and environmental concerns, etc., have all made it abundantly clear that we must quickly adapt. Our program will include presentations addressing green, biobased and sustainable options in all aspects of coating technologies, with novel formulation ideas in the utilization of polymers, resins, pigments, and additives. Presentations will address ultra-low VOC technologies, as well as the analysis and characterization of paint films. Take advantage of this unique educational opportunity to support your efforts in producing the next generation of waterborne and higher solids coatings.

John Du, Patcham USA, will teach a short course on “Introduction to Additives Technology” Tuesday afternoon for a separate fee.

As always, Tuesday afternoon will include an Industry Table-Top Exhibition, where you can meet with various suppliers to discuss their product offering. In the evening, get to know your fellow attendees and our speakers by joining us for our networking social, with great music, heavy Hors D’oeuvres and refreshments.

If you are a golfer (or not) consider joining us for golf and dinner on Monday June 5th, at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course, for our Annual Scholarship Golf Scramble.



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JUNE 26 – 28, 2023

**COATINGS TECHNOLOGIES:
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<https://www.paint.org/aca-events/ctc-2023/>

Through a series of specialized lectures from notable industry experts and focused technical sessions, ACA’s 2023 CoatingsTech Conference will offer an unprecedented opportunity for all levels of coatings professionals to participate and learn from each other. Embracing the theme, “Coatings Technologies: Adaptation in a Complex World,” reflects current challenges and trends, from increased bio-sourcing, to supply-chain unpredictability and manufacturing onshoring. The 2023 conference will feature the industry’s latest science and technology developments, including advance notice on technology-forcing factors to help the industry set a sustainable trajectory for meeting future market challenges.



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Company: _____

Address : _____

City: _____

State/Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

2. CONTACT INFORMATION:

Work Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Toll Free: _____

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Email: _____

3. PSCT DUES:

☐ Full Society Membership \$40

☐ Student / Educator \$10

☐ Retired Members \$10

4. PAYMENT INFORMATION:

☐ Check payable to PSCT

5. SIGNATURE AND DATE: (Required)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To mail in membership form and check contact: Andy Meshanko • 724-600-9488 • ameshanko@ppg.com

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A Pittsburgh Society of Coating Technologies page has been created on LinkedIn.com to keep everyone informed of events, meetings, and important deadlines reminders just to name a few benefits. It will also allow members of group to share posts in an effort to help promote and grow our association.

To become a member, please sign into your LinkedIn account and search Pittsburgh Society of Coating Technologies, under the group description, click on the join button.

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