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Rochester Online: Friday, April 8 -Sunday April 10, 2022

You're Invited!

Less than a week away, in case you have not yet heard about the Rochester Mineralogical Symposium 2022 in any other way...

I'd like to invite you to come and be a part of Rochester online this year (it's free).

We've made some great changes from our past online Saturday events, adding featurelength talks, expanding to Friday evening and Sunday morning, and a new Virtual Lounge for getting together with mineral friends after the end of the program on Friday and Saturday. Please join us for minerals and mineral fun - the RMS is meant for you!

We will have feature talks from Inna Lykova (minerals of the Rubstovskoe copper deposit), Peter Lyckberg (mineral deposits of Tajikistan and Afghanistan) and Roy Starkey (minerals of the English Midlands). As always, we will have What's New in Minerals (Jeff Scovil, John Betts and friends) and a lineup of excellent short talks. Topics will include mineral phenomena, localities and occurrences from around the world. In the Virtual Lounge we'll raise a glass (of whatever you like) and have a chance to talk together - and on Saturday afternoon we'll be singing some mineral songs with David Joyce. During the RMS we will also feature the world premiere of the video for Dave's classic song "The Crystals That I've Known (All the Places That I've Roamed)".

I have added a post on the website with the full RMS 2022 program (and RMS 2022 zoom registration link) - click <u>here.</u>

If you are not yet familiar with the Rochester Mineralogical Symposium, it my favourite event in the mineral year - it is meant for everyone, including collectors at all levels, with lots of wonderful mineral photographs, the latest mineral news, and some of the latest research too. It is an annual reunion of mineral friends from all over (including new friends each year!), getting together to share about minerals. Of course we usually gather in person in Rochester, N.Y., but we're fully online this year, on Zoom and in the Virtual Lounge. The online RMS events in 2020 and 2021 were great!

I've written lots about the RMS on the website. If you'd like, you can read about our first two online "eRMS" events and past in-person RMS events here. If you'd like to see what the eRMS experience is like, the eRMS 2021 and eRMS 2020 are on youtube here (minus the fun chat window that we have at the actual events, but at least you'll get the idea.)

So please come! It's a chance to share in good mineral times even though we can't all be together in person.

If you're wondering if this is for you, it is! Register today!

Here's the info:

Attendance will be via Zoom Webinar, and requires ADVANCE REGISTRATION (click here).

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. Attending eRMS 2022 is flexible and free – registering does not commit you to every minute in front of your screen – come and go as you please.

Please feel free to invite your friends and mineral club members to join eRMS in 2022.

Follow the Rochester Mineralogical Symposium on Facebook, where you and your friends can keep up with what is going on with RMS.

It doesn't matter where in the world you are located April 8-10, we hope you'll be with us! R.

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