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## Annual Awards Banquet: Tuesday, April 16, 2013 (Georgia Center, Magnolia Ballroom)

Please join us for the annual Awards Banquet to recognize the contributions of outstanding students, teachers, professors and researchers in the Northeast Georgia area.

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Georgia Center, 1197 South Lumpkin St., Athens, GA 30602

Dinner: No cost to NEGS ACS members and one guest

Choice of Chicken cordon-bleu, Pecan-glazed pork or Vegetarian

Cash bar

RSVP: By **April 9<sup>th</sup>**

to Samantha Hawkins ([Samantha.Hawkins@ARS.USDA.GOV](mailto:Samantha.Hawkins@ARS.USDA.GOV))

*please include dinner selection(s)*

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## Call for Awards Nominations

It's not too late to nominate that deserving student, teacher or researcher for an award! Please send CV of nominee and at least two (2) letters of nomination by **April 5<sup>th</sup>** to the Awards Committee Chairman, Dave Himmelsbach:

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Awards Chair NEGS ACS  
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### Awards

**Chemist of the Year 2012-2013 For Research:** candidate should have made a documented outstanding accomplishment in chemical or related field of research within the last five years and work at a facility located within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section.

**2012-2013 G. E. Philbrook Teaching Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching:** candidate should be a person who teaches chemistry at a college or university level within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section and is an effective, innovative and dedicated teacher of undergraduate chemistry.

**2012-2013 Award for Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher of the Year:** candidate should be a person who teaches chemistry at a high school within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section and is an effective, motivated and dedicated teacher of high school chemistry.

**Outstanding Postdoctoral Research Chemist 2012-2013:** candidate should currently be working as a postdoctoral research fellow in the area of chemistry or related field in which chemistry plays a key role. The candidate must be conducting their research within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section.

**Outstanding Graduate Student 2012-2013:** candidate(s) should currently be in a graduate program working towards an advanced degree in chemistry or a related field where chemistry is a significant part of the degree being pursued at a college or university within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section.

**Outstanding Undergraduate Student 2012-2013:** candidate(s) should currently be in an undergraduate program working towards a baccalaureate degree in chemistry or a related field where chemistry is a significant part of the degree being pursued at a college or university within the geographical boundaries of the Northeast Georgia Section.

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## Chair's Corner (getting larger each newsletter ...)

Thanks to everyone who came out and participated at our March Meeting. I was especially happy to see so many graduate students there!!! We had a great presentation by and discussion with Prof. Chris Cuomo about the ethics of climate change. For those of you interested in learning more about Prof. Cuomo's work, check out the links to a few of her articles about climate change:

- "[Environmental Change, Indigenous Knowledge, and Subsistence on Alaska's North Slope](#)"
- "[Climate Change, Responsibility and Vulnerability](#)"

Also, remember to check out Chris' **eco\*art\*lab** a pop-up gallery and artspace in downtown Athens featuring multi-media international art focused on climate change. The exhibit runs March 123 – April 27, 2013 and is located in Bottleworks at 297 Prince Avenue, Athens, GA (<http://ecoartlab.wordpress.com/>).

Now, let's carry the discussion about what we can do regarding climate change further. How can you get involved to reduce carbon emissions? What can you do to educate scientists and non-scientists about the chemistry of climate change?

Here is a selected list of resources (with links):

- [350.org](#): A global grassroots movement to solve the climate crisis
- "[Storms of My Grandchildren: The Truth About the Coming Climate Catastrophe and Our Last Chance to Save Humanity](#)" by James Hansen

A great book in which one of the leading climate scientists uses paleoclimate data and computer simulations to explain climate change.

- [James Hansen's website](#) with credible, up-to-date climate information
  - [UGA's Climate & Society Initiative](#)
  - [Georgia Climate Change Coalition](#) (based in Athens, GA)
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**3.23-4.27.2013**

RECEPTION: **SATURDAY \* 3.23** | 6:00 - 9:00 P.M.

GALLERY HOURS:

11:00-4:00 P.M. TUE, WED, FRI & SATURDAYS

11:00-6:00 P.M. THURS | 11:00-1:00 P.M. SUN

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