

“Will Society Allow Synthetic Bio?”

Thursday, October 23, 2014

6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Meet and Greet at 6:30 pm, Program at 7:00 pm



The Leadership of the **National Capital Chapter of the World Future Society (NATCAPWFS)** is pleased to announce the first of our 2014/15 Speaker's Series, to be held at George Washington University...

Please join us on Thursday, October 23 for a stimulating presentation by **Gil Meyer** of the DuPont Company.

Will Society Allow Synthetic Bio? Society follows a complex path as it determines whether to accept or reject new technologies. Synthetic biology is just coming into public view, and thus beginning the path of societal scrutiny. Much is riding on the outcome of the review. But because the topic is itself not clearly defined, the public conversation is complicated. An amazing array of technologies hangs in the balance...

Gil Meyer is director of Global Issues Management & Trend Analysis at the DuPont Company. He has been with DuPont for 26 years, serving in a wide range of public and regulatory affairs roles. His current assignment includes nanotechnology issues management, recall preparedness, chemical risk management, synthetic biology, crisis preparedness, and pandemic planning. He is based in Wilmington, Delaware.

Location: George Washington University, Duques Building, 2201 “G” Street NW, Room 453 [entrance on 22nd St between G & H Streets NW, Washington DC]

Cost: Members - \$8, non-members - \$12, full-time students elsewhere (under 26) - \$5. **Please register online, in advance, at <http://www.natcapwfs.org/events.htm>.** If unavoidable, we will accept cash and personal checks at the door; but no credit cards, please. If you prefer to mail a check, make payable to: WMAC of The WFS, and send to: WMAC of the WFS, c/o Ronald Muller, 9904 Frank Tippet Rd, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. **GWU students and Faculty attend FREE with ID, and should not register online; instead, send an email to Ron Muller (r-bmuller@comcast.net) stating that you plan to attend.**

Many of our members meet for networking and conversation prior to the evening event. In October, the group will be getting together at the on-campus Starbucks, 22nd and H St, NW at 5:45 p.m. If planning to attend, feel free to send an email, and we'll be on the lookout for you.

We look forward to seeing YOU there!
WFS National Capital Chapter Leadership Team

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Nearest Metro: Foggy Bottom. Exit the Foggy Bottom Station (Blue/Orange/Silver Line) and Cross 23rd Street. Walk one block east on "I" Street. Turn right on 22nd Street, and walk approximately 2 blocks south to the Duques Building, 2201 "G" Street NW.

Parking: On-campus street parking is available, but it is limited; time limits are *strictly enforced*.

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- **Academic Center Garage** (located on I 'Eye' Street between 21st and 22nd Streets), is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.
- **The Marvin Center** (located on H Street between 21st and 22nd Streets) is open 7 days a week from 7 a.m. until midnight daily.
- **G Street Garage** (entrances located on 20th and 21st Streets in the alley way between F and G Streets) is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. *The G Street Garage is a self-service garage, and only accepts MasterCard and Visa for payment.*

1 hour - \$10 / Up to 2 hours - \$16 / Daily Max. - \$22
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