

STS 2021

January 29–31

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Join us for an immersive digital experience that combines a tradition of excellence with the innovation of tomorrow.

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons (STS) Annual Meeting will educate, inspire, and bring together members of the cardiothoracic surgery team from around the world.

STS 2021 will showcase the latest research and practice in all major cardiothoracic surgery disciplines. No other meeting offers more translational science that you can take home and immediately put into practice.

STS 2021 is designed for all members of the cardiothoracic surgery team. Whether you're an experienced surgeon, just starting your career, still in training, or an allied health professional, there is an immense amount of content designed to keep you up to date in the rapidly evolving field.



"It will be unlike anything the specialty has experienced to date."

Joseph A. Dearani, MD
STS President

SESSIONS WILL BE A MIX OF ON-DEMAND AND LIVE BROADCAST CONTENT AND FEATURE:

- › Thought-provoking lectures
- › Panel discussions
- › Small-group sessions for easy interaction with experts
- › Polling and attendee chat capabilities
- › 360° videos
- › Deep-dive sessions
- › Hot topics in all cardiothoracic surgery disciplines

THE EVENT ALSO WILL INCLUDE:

- › High-profile keynote speakers
- › Top-scoring scientific abstracts
- › E-posters
- › Virtual exhibit hall
- › Industry symposia
- › Social and wellness events

"The combination of preproduced elements and live content will provide attendees with access to cutting-edge research and global expertise in our field. The programmed tracks will be complemented by a wide range of on-demand content, giving trainees and early academicians opportunities to share their best work."

Mara B. Antonoff, MD



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PROGRAM

All times are ET.
Times and topics
are subject
to change.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

7:30 a.m.		
8:00 a.m.		
8:30 a.m.	Immersive Video Experiences: In the OR with...	
9:00 a.m.		
9:30 a.m.	Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
10:00 a.m.	Immersive Video Experiences: Deep Dive into... (1)	
10:30 a.m.		
11:00 a.m.	Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
11:30 a.m.	Immersive Video Experiences: Deep Dive into... (2)	
12:00 p.m.		
12:30 p.m.	Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
1:00 p.m.	Day 1 Opening: Meet and Greet / Welcome	
1:30 p.m.	Plenary Session: C. Walton Lillehei Lecture and Shark Tank	
2:00 p.m.		
2:30 p.m.		
3:00 p.m.	Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
3:30 p.m.	Educational Sessions	
4:00 p.m.		
4:30 p.m.		
5:00 p.m.		
5:30 p.m.		
6:00 p.m.	Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
6:30 p.m.	Plenary Session: Vivien T. Thomas Lecture	
7:00 p.m.		
7:30 p.m.	STS Opening Social Event	Industry Symposium
8:00 p.m.		
8:30 p.m.		

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

Industry Symposium		
Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall / Social and Wellness Event	Industry Symposium	
Day 2 Opening: Live Recap / Highlights		
Educational Sessions		
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall		
Plenary Session: Presidential Address		
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium	
Educational Sessions		
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium	
Educational Sessions		
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium	
Educational Sessions		
Social and Wellness Events		
Industry Symposium		

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall / Social and Wellness Event	Industry Symposium
Ask the Experts Sessions	
Day 3 Opening: Live Recap / Highlights	
Educational Sessions	
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
Plenary Session: Thomas B. Ferguson Lecture	Resident Luncheon
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
Educational Sessions	Resident Symposium
Break / Visit Virtual Exhibit Hall	Industry Symposium
Educational Sessions	
STS Business Meeting	
Closing Ceremony	
Resident Social	Industry Symposium

Virtual Exhibit Hall Schedule

Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday - 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

Register early for STS 2021 and take advantage of early bird rates.

STS members save even more—and Candidate and Pre-Candidate Members can register for free! Plus, the first 1,000 registrants will receive an STS-branded fitness cooling towel, which will come in handy with some of the social events planned!



STS-branded fitness cooling towel

Included with Registration

Your registration fee provides you with access to more than 75 educational sessions covering all aspects of the specialty, as well as special events and entrance to the virtual exhibit hall, where you can discover the newest products and services available.

Additionally, you will receive complimentary access to Annual Meeting Online, a digital library of STS 2021 sessions.

See [page 7](#) for pricing.

“We are including content and immersion features throughout the meeting that will provide an ongoing storyline and dialog that will keep attendees engaged and offer opportunities for connection and mentorship.”

Tom C. Nguyen, MD

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You'll need your **STS Member ID** to receive the discounted member rate. Database participation is not the same as STS membership (e.g., Active or Associate Membership). Your 6-digit STS Member ID is not your site or Database participant ID. For help with your STS Member ID, please contact [Member Services](#) at membership@sts.org or 312-202-5800.

Continuing Education Credits

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Society of Thoracic Surgeons designates this other activity (blended live and enduring material) for a maximum of 107.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits*™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

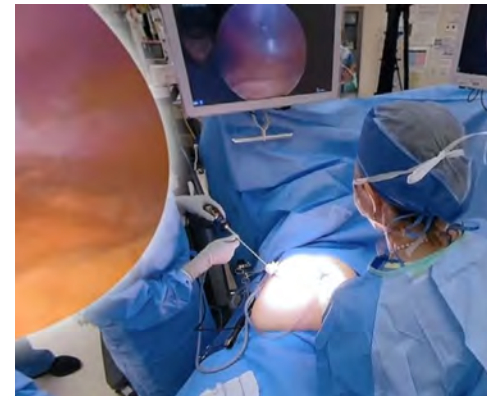
STS is also seeking approval to provide nursing and perfusion credits.

“Sessions will utilize technology and offer enough variety that our attendees will remain engaged without experiencing the ‘virtual fatigue’ that has become common over the past few months.”

Juan A. Crestanello, MD

IMMERSIVE VIDEO EXPERIENCES NEW

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET



Secure your spot for the new and exciting course series, Immersive Video Experiences (an optional add-on program). The series currently includes 16 sessions—five offering an opportunity to get a 360° view of the operating room during a procedure performed by a surgical luminary. 11 “deep dives” will highlight various procedures using a combination of video segments and interactive group discussions. Purchasing access to the Immersive Video Experiences includes all 16 sessions.

IN THE OR WITH...

Experience a procedure “wheels in” to “wheels out” as a world-class surgeon brings you into an operating room, talks you through his/her thought processes and operative techniques, and demonstrates the difference between good outcomes and masterful ones. Attendees will be able to see who’s in the room, how they are positioned, and what equipment they are using—all without traveling to another hospital. A moderator will discuss with the master surgeon critical aspects of the procedure, drive the 360° views, and engage the audience for interactive discussions throughout each session.



Joseph E. Bavaria, MD
Valve-sparing aortic root procedure – reimplantation



Shanda H. Blackmon, MD, MPH
VATS lobectomy



Robert J. Cerfolio, MD, MBA
Robotic lobectomy



Joseph A. Dearani, MD
Congenital heart surgery



Vinod H. Thourani, MD
TAVR

"The Immersive Video Experiences go beyond access to the surgical video at the tip of the rigid scope. Viewers will now be able to see everything that's happening in the operating room, how the teams interact with one another, what the surgeon's doing on the outside of the chest at the same time as operating on the inside of the chest." Shanda H. Blackmon, MD, MPH

IMMERSIVE VIDEO EXPERIENCES NEW

DEEP DIVE INTO ...

To complement and expand upon the 360° video topics, the series also will include 11 sessions in which experts will take attendees on a “deep dive” into a particular procedure, showing video clips of procedure nuances and engaging the audience during interactive discussion periods.

Sessions include:

- › **Atrioventricular replacement strategies in neonates and infants**
- › **Chest wall reconstruction after tumor resection**
- › **Essentials of TAVR**
- › **Minimally invasive esophagectomy**
- › **Minimally invasive mitral valve surgery**
- › **Navigating initial nights on call as a resident**
- › **Robotic lobectomy**
- › **Ross and Ross-Konno procedure-preventing neo-aortic root dilatation**
- › **Transseptal puncture for surgeons**
- › **Valve-sparing aortic root procedure reimplantation**
- › **VATS lobectomy**

"While traditional videos of surgical or transcatheter procedures offer only a unidimensional experience, this program allows participants to be engrossed within all aspects of the procedures and is guaranteed to enhance the learning of these complex surgeries for not only practicing physicians, but also residents and the entire heart team." Vinod H. Thourani, MD

NETWORKING, SOCIAL & WELLNESS EVENTS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29 7:30 p.m. ET



A live show from The Second City, the legendary improvisational comedy group, will welcome attendees. It will be an evening of laughs and entertainment that includes audience participation and special appearances by STS leadership. The show is included with registration and everyone is welcome to attend.

Each day of the meeting will offer attendees an opportunity to take part in free social events, including yoga, mindfulness, Peloton rides, a cooking demonstration, trivia night, and more!

PRICING

Please note that STS members are NOT automatically registered for the Annual Meeting.

STS MEMBERS	EARLY BIRD (THROUGH DEC. 15)	STANDARD (DEC. 16 – JAN. 31)	Add-On Program (Optional) IMMERSIVE VIDEO EXPERIENCES*
MEMBER SURGEONS Active, International, and Senior Members	\$ 250	\$ 350	\$ 150
ASSOCIATE MEMBER PHYSICIANS Non-CT surgeons	\$ 250	\$ 350	\$ 150
ASSOCIATE MEMBER NON-PHYSICIANS	\$ 150	\$ 200	\$ 75
CANDIDATE AND PRE-CANDIDATE MEMBERS	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 50

NON-MEMBERS**	EARLY BIRD (THROUGH DEC. 15)	STANDARD (DEC. 16 – JAN. 31)	Add-On Program (Optional) IMMERSIVE VIDEO EXPERIENCES*
PHYSICIANS	\$ 350	\$ 450	\$ 200
ALLIED HEALTH Non-member, non-physician	\$ 250	\$ 325	\$ 125
RESIDENTS/TRAINEES	\$ 100	\$ 150	\$ 100

* Includes all sessions within Immersive Video Experiences

** Learn more about becoming an STS member at sts.org/membership and taking advantage of discounts and other opportunities

CANCELATION POLICY

All registration cancellation requests must be made in writing and emailed to meetings@sts.org. Requests for refunds will be honored until the virtual platform and content library launch, approximately 1 week before the meeting. A processing fee of \$50 USD will be charged for all cancellations.

GENERAL INFO



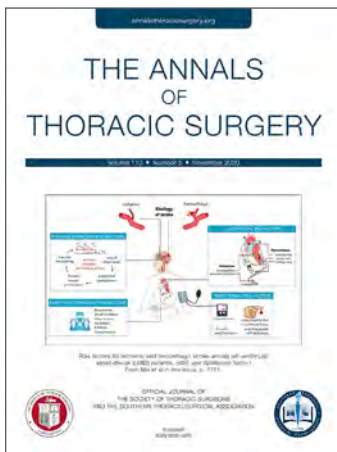
APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

Not an STS Member? Apply today! More than 7,400 of your colleagues worldwide are STS members, committed to continuing education, the best possible patient care, and growth of the specialty. The Society's membership is open to cardiothoracic surgeons, trainees, medical school students, and all others connected to and interested in the specialty.

STS members have wide-ranging, career-enhancing benefits, including:

- › **Subscriptions** to *The Annals of Thoracic Surgery*, several other STS publications, and an exclusive daily CT surgery news briefing
- › **Discounts** on educational programs and meetings, as well as an opportunity for discounted participation in the **STS National Database**
- › **Networking** opportunities with cardiothoracic surgery pioneers and thought leaders from around the world

To apply, visit sts.org/membership.



QUESTIONS?

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