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## Geochemical Society

### NEWS FROM THE GEOCHEMICAL SOCIETY

#### Announcing the 2008 GS Awardees

The following awards will be presented at Goldschmidt 2008 in Vancouver, Canada.



#### V.M. Goldschmidt Medal

① Francis Albarède

#### F.W. Clarke Medal

② Andrew D. Jacobson

#### C.C. Patterson Medal

③ William Sunda

#### Paul W. Gast Lecturer

④ Jérôme Gaillardet

#### 2008 GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows

- ⑤ Donald L. Sparks
- ⑥ Roberta L. Rudnick
- ⑦ William Lindsay Griffin
- ⑧ Bjorn O. Mysen
- ⑨ James F. Kasting
- ⑩ Malcolm McCulloch
- ⑪ Karen L. Von Damm

#### Frank Podosek to serve another term as GCA Executive Editor



Dr. Frank Podosek has served as executive editor of *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta* (GCA) since late 1999. His tenure has seen the quality and impact of our flagship publication rise. The 2008 Joint Publications Committee (JPC) unanimously agreed to renew Dr. Podosek as the executive editor of GCA through December 2011. Dr. Podosek received his PhD from UC Berkeley. He is currently a professor at Washington University in St. Louis.

The JPC is a volunteer committee comprised of an equal number of members of the Geochemical Society and the Meteoritical Society. The JPC oversees the editorship of GCA and appoints all of the journal's executive and associate editors.

GCA is currently in its 72<sup>nd</sup> year and prints 24 issues per year. Members of GS or MS may purchase personal subscriptions to GCA.

#### [www.geochemsoc.org](http://www.geochemsoc.org) now online in China

When the GS launched its new website, we did not realize that our new web hosting service had a standing policy of not providing access to users in China. We deeply apologize for not having realized this and we are now pleased to announce that this situation has been resolved and that our Chinese members may now access the site.

### GS MEMBERSHIP CONTINUES TO GROW AND DIVERSIFY

The following table provides a glimpse of how Geochemical Society membership has changed in the last five years. Since 2002, membership has increased by 60%. Membership outside of North America has also increased from 36% of total membership in 2002 to 55% in 2007, demonstrating our increasing international presence.

2002		
Country	Members	% of Total
United States	886	58.2%
Canada	85	5.6%
Germany	77	5.1%
Japan	76	5.0%
United Kingdom	71	4.7%
Australia	43	2.8%
Switzerland	41	2.7%
France	40	2.6%
The Netherlands	21	1.4%
Sweden	16	1.1%
38 Other Countries	167	11%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1523</b>	<b>100%</b>

2007		
Country	Members	% of Total
United States	989	40.5%
Australia	295	12.1%
United Kingdom	175	7.2%
Germany	141	5.8%
Japan	134	5.5%
Canada	119	4.9%
France	98	4%
China	64	2.6%
Switzerland	55	2.3%
Netherlands	32	1.3%
44 others	340	13.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2442</b>	<b>100%</b>

See you in Vancouver!

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## TEN "MUST SEES" IN VANCOUVER

# Goldschmidt2008

13-18 July 2008 Vancouver, Canada



from SEA  
to SKY

Vancouver (British Columbia, Canada), one of the most sought-after tourist destinations in the world, is a diverse, dynamic city, highlighted by its spectacular natural setting. It is a city that offers a wealth of tourism opportunities for its visitors, and offers the perfect backdrop for **Goldschmidt2008**. This list of ten "must sees" offers only a few of the many reasons to come to Vancouver for **Goldschmidt2008**!

**GROUSE MOUNTAIN:** A mountain resort, minutes away from the city centre. This rugged getaway is a year-round source of breathtaking views and a wide range of activities. ([www.grousemountain.com](http://www.grousemountain.com))



photo credit: Grouse Mountain

**VANCOUVER MUSEUM:** Overlooking spectacular English Bay, the Vancouver Museum offers visitors a peek into the culturally rich and diverse history of Vancouver. ([www.vanmuseum.bc.ca](http://www.vanmuseum.bc.ca))



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**CAPILANO SUSPENSION BRIDGE:** Since 1889, the Capilano Suspension Bridge has presented visitors with a breathtaking view of the Capilano River from a vantage point of 70 metres above! ([www.capbridge.com](http://www.capbridge.com))



Capilano Suspension Bridge

**STANLEY PARK:** Stanley Park is recognized around the globe as one of the great parks of the world! Vancouver's first park and one of the city's main tourist attractions, Stanley Park is an evergreen oasis of 400 hectares right next to the downtown core. ([www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/parks/parks/stanley](http://www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/parks/parks/stanley))



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**H.R. MACMILLAN SPACE CENTRE:** See a 360-degree view of the heavens from Vancouver! The space centre offers its visitors a unique educational experience, as well as a gorgeous natural setting, with views of the city skyline visible from the centre's waterfront grounds. ([www.hrmacmillanspacecentre.com](http://www.hrmacmillanspacecentre.com))



**VANDUSEN GARDENS:** Take the opportunity to visit a world-class bed of flowers, ranking among North America's top 10 gardens! ([www.vandusengarden.org](http://www.vandusengarden.org))



photo credit: VanDusen Gardens

**BARD ON THE BEACH:** A Vancouver mainstay, Bard on the Beach is a professional Shakespearean festival that brings life to the magic of Shakespeare's great plays – at the beach! ([www.bardonthebeach.org](http://www.bardonthebeach.org))



**DR. SUN YAT-SEN CLASSICAL CHINESE GARDEN:** In the heart of Vancouver's bustling Chinatown,

retreat into the peace and tranquility of the first full-scale classical Chinese garden built outside of China. ([www.vancouverchinesegarden.com](http://www.vancouverchinesegarden.com))



**VANCOUVER AQUARIUM:** The aquarium invites its guests to view and interact with over 70,000 different aquatic species. ([www.vanaqua.org](http://www.vanaqua.org))

**SCIENCE WORLD:** One of the most popular tourism sites in Vancouver, Science World is also one of the most educational attractions for visitors of all ages and interests. ([www.scienceworld.bc.ca](http://www.scienceworld.bc.ca))

**Heidi Dale-Johnson**  
Meeting Planner, Conferences  
and Accommodation at UBC

## Call for 2009 Award Nominations

Once again it is time to ask for nominations for the Goldschmidt Medal, Clarke Medal, Patterson Medal, Treibs Medal, and GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows Award. **November 15, 2008**, is the deadline for nominations to be considered for these awards. For information on nomination requirements, visit the Geochemical Society website at [www.geochemsoc.org/awards](http://www.geochemsoc.org/awards). Please take the time to nominate your valued friends and colleagues in recognition of their accomplishments. With your help, we can ensure that all of geochemistry is recognized and all deserving geochemists are considered.

**The V.M. Goldschmidt Medal** is awarded for major achievements in geochemistry or cosmochemistry, consisting of either a single outstanding contribution or a series of publications that have had great influence in these fields.

**The F.W. Clarke Medal** is awarded to an early-career scientist for a single outstanding contribution in geochemistry or cosmochemistry, published either as a single paper or a series of papers on a single topic.

**The C.C. Patterson Medal** is awarded for a recent innovative breakthrough of fundamental significance in environmental geochemistry, published in a peer-reviewed journal.

**The Alfred Treibs Medal** is awarded by the Organic Geochemistry Division for major achievements in organic geochemistry over a period of years.

**The GS/EAG Geochemical Fellows Award** is bestowed upon outstanding scientists who have, over some years, made a major contribution in the field of geochemistry.