



April: Celebrating National Arab American Heritage Month

In celebration of Arab American Heritage, SWE Houston Area would like to celebrate all of our Arab American Women Engineers! [Learn about the history of National Arab American Heritage Month and how to celebrate!](#)

[See All Upcoming Events on the Website Calendar](#)

[See Past Events on our Houston Happenings Blog](#)

Recordings of Past Events

Did you miss some of our recent professional development events? We have added two of the recordings to our website that you can watch at your convenience!

- [SWE Resume Writing Workshop Recording](#)
- [SWE-HA Women in Engineering Panel](#)



Call for Local Award Nominations

SWE-Houston Area 2023 Awards

The Society of Women Engineers strives to advance and honor the contributions of women at all stages of their careers as well as recognize the successes of SWE members and individuals who enhance the engineering profession through contributions to industry, education and the community.

SWE HA is happy to announce our 2023 Awards Program. We are looking to recognize our members in the following four categories:

- Career Achievement Award
- Community Outreach Award
- Exemplary Leader Award
- SWE HA New Member Award

Nominations will be accepted thru **Friday, April 28th 2023**, and winners will be announced at the SWE-HA Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Event.

If you have any questions please reach out to Emily Friedman at vp_internal@houston swe.org.

Nominate Yourself or Someone Today!

Upcoming Events



Meet the FY24 Candidates

Meet the FY24 Candidates - TONIGHT

Join us as we learn more about SWE-HA's Executive Committee and Board of Trustees

Nominees and listen about their experiences and plans for next year starting in July!

Can't make it? Not a problem! This session will be recorded and posted on the SWE website. Please note that anyone can attend the Meet the Candidates event, but only paying SWE-HA members will be emailed the ballot and are able to vote.

If you have any questions, please contact Hope Weller at nominations@houston swe.org

Date: Tuesday, April 18th, 2023

Time: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: Zoom (Online)

Price: FREE

[Register for Meet the Candidates](#)



SWE-HA Focus Groups

Join us in continual learning, sometimes venting, and always growing together! Each focus group will meet virtually for one hour once a month. We will not meet during holiday weeks. The groups have rolling, open enrollment throughout the year so it's never too late to join. See below the dates for each focus group's meeting schedule. [Read more on our website page](#)

- **Grit Academy** - Young Professionals
 - [Join our GRIT Academy WhatsApp Chat](#)
- **Engineering Moms** - Open to all
- **Sustainability** - Open to all

[Sign Up for a Focus Group](#)



Collaboration Session

GRIT ACADEMY FOCUS GROUP & EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS AFFINITY GROUP

MINGLING WITH MENTORS

VIRTUAL EVENT:

04.05.23 | 7-8:30 PM

IN-PERSON EVENT:

04.29.23 | 5:30-8 PM

April Collab Events: Mingling With Mentors - Hosted by SWE-HA Grit Academy and SWE Early Career Professionals AG

The SWE-HA Grit Academy and the SWE Early Career Professionals Affinity Group will be collaborating to bring 2 events to you. The first meeting will be virtual and the second one will be in-person.

Bring your favorite mentor, SWE friend, or come on your own to meet other young professionals and some experienced SWE leaders. Hope you can join us!

In Person Event

Date: Saturday, April 29, 2023

Time: 5:30 to 8:00 pm

Location: FM Kitchen & Bar, 1112 Shepherd Drive, Houston, TX 77007

Price: FREE for SWE members, \$7 for nonmembers. Appetizers will be provided, all beverages will be paid by each attendee

In-Person Event - Mingling with Mentors

*SWE Houston Area Scholarship
and Awards Banquet*

SWE Houston Area Scholarship and Awards Banquet

You are cordially invited to celebrate our SWE Houston Area student scholarship and award recipients!

Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Time: 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Location: The Junior League of Houston (1811 Briar Oaks Ln Houston, TX 7702)

Price: \$40

[Register for Scholarship Banquet](#)



Cocktails & Clothing

Need advice for your professional wardrobe, work from home wardrobe, or just your for fun wardrobe?

Join Tootsies and SWE for an evening of networking, shopping, and cocktails.

Date: Thursday, May 4, 2023

Time: 5:30 to 7:00 pm

Location: Tootsies (2601 Westheimer Rd Houston, TX 77098)

Price: FREE

[Register for Cocktails & Clothing](#)



SWE-HA Yoga in the Park

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Join us as we relax and find our center while strengthening our body. Bring a towel and water, as well as a mat. The first 20 members to sign up get a free SWE vintage (yellow/green) yoga mat /w carrying bag! Join us for our May coffee event at Grizzaffi Coffee inside of the Discovery Green Park afterwards.

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Location: Hess Patio Deck, Discovery Green Park
1500 McKinney St Houston, TX 77010
Price: FREE

Register for Yoga in the Park



Networking Coffee - May

Join us for our May coffee + networking at the location of Grizzaffi Coffee inside of the Discovery Green Park. For this occurrence, the coffee follows the Yoga in the Park at Discovery Green Park also organized by SWE, so you can join both! The Grizzaffi coffee stand is near the Lake House Restaurant and they share a seating area.

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Location: Grizzaffi Coffee, Discovery Green Park,
1500 McKinney St, Houston, TX 77010

Price: FREE

Register for Coffee + Networking



Book Club - May

SWE-HA Members are invited to join us for our 5th book of the year. Book to TBD

Date 1: Tuesday, May 16th, 2023
@ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Virtual

Register for Book Club

Questions? [contact Bethany, Book Club Chair, at \[bmiller@quiddity.com\]\(mailto:bmiller@quiddity.com\)](#)

Date 2: Sunday, May 21st, 2023
@ 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Virtual

Price: FREE SWE-HA Member Only Event



End of Year Celebration

Come Celebrate the End of the SWE-HA FY23 year. We want to appreciate all our members and volunteers whose hard work made this year a success! Brunch from 10am-12pm. Stay after for optional bowling from 12-1pm.

Date: Saturday, May 20, 2023

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Pinstripes Houston, 3300 Kirby Dr, Unit 3A, Houston, TX 77098

Price: FREE for Members, \$30 for Non-Members
Optional Bowling \$20

[Register for End of Year Celebration](#)

PD Executive Leadership Panel

Join past and present senior executives for a panel event on what it takes to climb the corporate ladder and why it's worth it. More details and panelist line-up will be announced next newsletter!

Date: Saturday, June 10th, 2023

Time: 11:00AM - 1:00PM

Location: TBD

Price: FREE



Volunteer Opportunities

SWE-HA actively creates and participates in outreach events that support our mission to encourage young, bright ladies in pursuing a career in STEM. We always welcome volunteers who can help with scholarship committee/judging, STEM toy drive in November, girl scouts badge day, and many other events. Check out our [Outreach Website Page](#) for all our current opportunities. Events in the next two weeks are listed below. If you're interested in signing up for any of the events below or have any questions about the opportunities, please reach out to Katherine Hoerner at vp_careerguidance@houstonwe.org.

[Sign Up for Volunteer Opportunity Emails](#)

[Visit our Outreach Website Page for All Volunteer Opportunities](#)

Divas, Daughters, and Drones

This BakerRipley Gulfon Learning Center event is for moms and daughters and they will learn about the future of flight, learn to fly a drone, and earn their recreational drone pilot's license!

They are looking for some volunteers to help assist with the event. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 08:00 am for set up and stay until 03:00 pm to help with clean up, but shifts are available if you are only able to commit to part of the event. Please contact Carie-Anne Simmons at csimmons1@bakerripley.org and let her know you are a member of SWE-HA if you are interested in signing up! Volunteer registration is expected to close on April 21st.

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023

Time: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: BakerRipley - Gulfon Sharpstown (6500 Rookin Street | Houston, TX)

techbridge girls
A 3D DRONE EVENT

Divas, Daughters, and Drones

Learn how to become a Recreational Drone Pilot!

Explore adventures with Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), better known as Drones.

- FAA Recreational Pilot rules
- Obtain a Recreational Pilot Certificate
- Drone safety protocols
- Practice Drone flight
- Drone

A **FREE STEM** event focusing on Parent Engagement among Women and girls.

Saturday, May 6, 2023 | 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
BakerRipley - Gulfon Sharpstown
6500 Rookin Street | Houston, TX

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Space City Center of Excellence For All Levels of Members

BakerRipley

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SWE HQ Volunteer Opportunity - 2023 FIRST Championship Innovation Faire

SWE has a booth at the 2023 FIRST Championship Innovation Faire on April 20th-21st. We are looking for local SWE members in the Houston area to work at the booth. There are two volunteer shifts each day. You will need to complete SWE's Youth Protection Training to volunteer.

Volunteers will interact with students to demonstrate what engineers do using a small, reusable activity/demo that illustrates their engineering field. Volunteers are responsible for sharing information about SWE's pre-college program, SWENext, and encouraging students, parents and educators to sign up for our programming, events and resources.

All shifts have two openings and will include breaks. If you have any questions, please contact SWE HQ at kayla.arradondo@swe.org, Student Programs & Outreach Coordinator.

Date: Thursday & Friday, April 20-21, 2023

Time: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: FIRST Championship Location: George R. Brown Convention Center
1001 Avenida De Las Americas
Houston, TX USA
Houston: GRB Level 3 Ballroom
SWE Booth #2003

Learn More: <https://www.firstchampionship.org/>

Shift Sign Up for Booth at the 2023 FIRST Championship Innovation Faire

From the SWE-HA Team

Job Posting: Chemours

Chemours has multiple job openings at their La Porte Site!

- [Chemical Process Engineer – JR10258](#)
- [Electrical and Instrumentation Engineer – JR9994](#)
- [Senior Environmental Resource – JR10137](#)
- [Reliability Engineer – Electrical & Instrumentation – JR9920](#)
- [Production Leader – JR9919](#)



CALL FOR FY23 CHAIR AND COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

Interested in getting more involved this year?

Fill out this survey to let us know that you'd like to join a SWE-HA FY23 committee or take on a committee chair role! [See our Organization Chart for Chair & Committee Positions.](#)

Feel free to reach out to the respective FY23 Executive Board Member to learn more.

[Fill Out Interest Survey](#)



Professional Development Speaker Opportunities

Are you interested in being a speaker or know someone who would be a great speaker for one of our Professional Development events?

Fill out the form below to be added to our speaker database.

[Speaker Interest Form](#)

If you have any questions regarding SWE-HA professional development (PD), please contact us at professional_development@houstonswe.org.

Partner Organizations



Capitalizing on the Value of our Diverse Workforce

Join us for our first in-person event! This will be a live podcast interview and networking event with Carlos Torres, chair of the SPE-GCS chapter, where we will talk about the current state of diversity and inclusion practices in the energy industry, and how capitalizing on the value of our diverse workforce can help us in our efforts to achieve smooth energy transition.



Carlos Torres
Chair
SPE-GCS Chapter



Jeniree Flores Delgado
Host and Co-Creator
Latinx Can Podcast

April 21st, 2023 | 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm | Registration (FREE):
<https://www.spegcs.org/events/6657/>

Live Interview: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Networking: 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Location: Greentown Labs Houston

Incubator 4200 San Jacinto St, Houston TX 77004

Sponsored by:



Greentown Labs

Registration:



Capitalizing on the Value of our Diverse Workforce

Join SPE for our first in person event! A Live Podcast Interview with SPE GCS Chapter Chair Carlos Torres, on the state of Diversity and Inclusion practices in the energy industry, and how capitalizing on the value of our diverse workforce, can help us achieve the energy transition. This conversation will focus on the lessons he has learned about diversity and inclusion from his expansive career in different countries around the world, as well as his vision for how the industry can capitalize on the value of our diverse workforce. We will also discuss how his diverse background helped him become a successful entrepreneur, as well as the challenges and opportunities he has faced since he embarked on his entrepreneurial journey.

A networking session will follow the interview. Light refreshments and drinks will be served.

Date: Friday, April 21, 2023

Time: 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Location: Greentown Labs Houston Incubator

Price: FREE

[Sign Up for SPE Event](#)

SPE Spring 2023 Hiring Event

The Society of Petroleum Engineers – Gulf Coast Section (SPE-GCS) is pleased to inform you that it is organizing the **12th** semi-annual Energy Professionals Hiring Event for professionals of energy and upstream oil & gas disciplines. The Spring 2023 Hiring Event will be held face-to-face on **May 4, 2023**. As a collaborating professional society, SWE-HA members are able to participate as job seekers.

Date: May 4th, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Location: Day 4 of Offshore Technology Conference

Price: FREE

[Register Here](#)



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