

2024 AZOA Fall Congress

November 22 - 24

Hilton Sedona Resort at
Bell Rock



**Join us for 14 hours of COPE-accredited
education & our popular exhibitor hospitality
suites on Saturday night!**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

9:00am **Dr. Bruce Bridgewater Memorial Golf Tournament at Sedona Golf Resort**

12-5pm **Registration** (please note that registration doesn't open until 12pm)

1-3pm **Getting Started with OCT and Other Imaging Modalities/Rodman/88918-TD**

This lecture delves into ocular anatomy assessment using OCT scans, correlating layers with histology. Abnormalities in vitreoretinal, vascular, and outer retinal conditions are characterized. OCT Angiography is introduced as a non-invasive method with segmentation insights. The motion contrast system's role in imaging ocular diseases is explored. Fundus Autofluorescence's significance in RPE assessment is highlighted, emphasizing the growing importance of OCT, OCT-A, and FAF in contemporary eye care.

3-5pm **Retinal Potpourri: It's Not Rare if It's in Your Chair/Rodman/89218-TD**

This course will highlight a variety of challenging posterior segment cases emphasizing clinical presentation, differential diagnoses, and management patterns. Topics will include posterior uveitis, macular telangiectasia, congenital retinal dystrophies and degenerations, infectious retina and retinal oncology. Preferred Practice recommendations including guidelines for diagnosis and management will be discussed.

5pm **Dinner on Own**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00am **Registration/Breakfast**
- Please arrive at 7am for breakfast

8-10am **Cutting Edge Cataract Care: Cases and Considerations Neuro-Op/Schweitzer/91329-PO**

The optometrist's role in managing the cataract patient is vital for successful outcomes. Preoperative and postoperative considerations are best handled in the optometrist's clinic and it is imperative that OD's understand preoperative considerations, technological advances, IOL options, and postoperative considerations. This course, using a case-based approach, will provide all of the necessary tools for an optometrist to provide state of the art cataract care.

10am-12pm **Managing your patient's glaucoma from the classic case to the conundrum/Schweitzer/88898-GL**

This course will take the attendee through a variety of different glaucoma case presentations that the OD may encounter in clinical practice. Each case will include polling questions to challenge the attendee and create confidence in what options are available to diagnose, treat, and manage

glaucoma patients. The attendee will leave this course with confidence to tackle any type of glaucoma patient that walks in the door.

12-2:30pm **AZOA Membership Meeting/Lunch**

3-4pm **2024 Update on Wearable Video Magnifiers/Grandela/89170-LV**

A review of the current status of Low Vision wearable video magnification devices on the market in 2024, including recent updates to models, new releases, and how to best apply the unique advantages of each device to specific patient visual goals in clinical practice.

4-5pm **Prescribing Bioptics/Grandela/89171-LV**

You will review the use of bioptics and other spectacle-mounted telescope systems in Low Vision Rehabilitation for optical magnification to help patients achieve visual goals whether at distance, near, or intermediate targets. You will discuss the advantages and limitations of different telescope brands and models and how to train new bioptic users.

5:00pm **Dinner on Own**

7-10pm **Hospitality Suites**

Come enjoy an AZOA signature event, network with colleagues, and experience the latest and greatest from your favorite vendors in a fun and relaxed atmosphere!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00am **Registration/Breakfast**
- Please arrive at 7am for breakfast

8-9:30am **Bumps on the eye. To be or not to be concerned/Cohen/92051-TD**

This course will cover commonly seen conjunctival and iris lesions including techniques for differentiation and indications for surgical intervention.

9-10am **Diagnosis and management of acute ocular trauma- case based approach/Cohen/92054-TD**

This course will cover commonly seen anterior segment trauma including, hyphema, mydriasis, open globe, foreign body, and chemical injuries. The discussion will involve a case based approach in diagnosis and management

10-11:00am **Updates and advances in glaucoma surgery. Minimally invasive glaucoma surgery/Cohen/92055-GL**

Glaucoma surgery will be discussed with a focus on newer, minimally invasive glaucoma surgeries. The discussion will reference clinical trial data as well as showcase surgical videos.

11-11:30am **Corneal Transplantation/Cohen/pending**

2024 FALL CONGRESS FACULTY

Dr. Alex Cohen is a fellowship trained cornea specialist who has been in practice since 2011. He obtained his M.D. and Ph.D. from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City and then attended residency and fellowship at the top ranked University of Iowa. Following his training, he was on the faculty at the Dean McGee Eye Institute in Oklahoma City, serving as fellowship director and receiving the Stanley Muenzler, MD Endowed Professor of Corneal Disease. After his time in academic medicine, Dr Cohen moved back to Iowa where he was a partner in a very busy private practice, performing well over 1000 cataract, cornea, and glaucoma surgeries per year. He recently moved back to Arizona, his home state, and now works at the newly opened Desert Vista Eye Specialists office in Phoenix. He continues to serve as an oral board examiner and helps to develop both the oral and written examinations for certifying the next generation of ophthalmologists. In addition, Dr Cohen has been traveling to the African nation of Eswatini since 2015, helping to establish a high volume medical and surgical eye care program in this impoverished nation. His special interests include, complex cataract surgery, LASIK, cornea transplants, pterygium surgery, and minimally invasive glaucoma surgery.

Dr. Carlos Grandela is originally from Virginia Beach, VA. He received his undergraduate degree at Brigham Young University, where he met and married his wife, Neltje. Dr. Grandela obtained his doctorate in Optometry at the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tennessee. At graduation, he was presented with the Beau Willis Endowed Award for dedication to community service. Following optometry school, Dr. Grandela completed a residency in Low Vision Rehabilitation and Ocular Disease at the Illinois College of Optometry and the Chicago Lighthouse in Chicago, Illinois. As an optometrist with a focus on Low Vision Rehabilitation, Dr. Grandela is driven to help patients overcome the hurdles of vision loss in order to stay independent and continue the vocation, hobbies, and lifestyle that they love. He is passionate about serving both younger patients with inherited eye conditions as well as seniors who have acquired ocular diseases.

Dr. Julie Rodman is Chief of the Broward Eye Care Institute in Fort Lauderdale, FL, and a Professor of Optometry at Nova Southeastern University. She is Instructor of Record for "Diagnosis and Pharmacological Management of Posterior Segment Ocular Disease" at the College. Her research interests include OCT/OCTA and Vitreoretinal Disease. Dr. Rodman has authored over fifty publications with an emphasis on retinal disease. She authored "Optical Coherence Tomography Atlas: A Case Study Approach", the first reference book on this topic written by an optometrist. Dr. Rodman is a member of the AOA, AAO, FOA, and ORS. She has been the recipient of numerous teaching awards, was recognized as a Primary Care Optometry News "Top 300" Optometrists and "Newsweek Best Optometrists of 2023".

Dr. Justin Schweitzer specializes in advanced glaucoma, refractive surgical clinical care, and anterior segment pathology at Vance Thompson Vision. He received his professional training and Doctor of Optometry degree from Pacific University College of Optometry in Forest Grove, OR. In 2012 he pursued his dream to focus on glaucoma, advanced anterior segment surgery care and pathology, joining Vance Thompson Vision in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. He earned Fellowship in the American Academy of Optometry in 2013, is the Optometric Externship Director at Vance Thompson Vision, and Adjunct Clinical Professor of the Illinois College of Optometry and Kentucky College of Optometry. Dr. Schweitzer is an advocate of an integrated eye care delivery model and is currently serving as a board member for the South Dakota Optometric Society. He also serves as a board member of the Optometric Glaucoma Society, a member of the American Optometric Association, Optometric Cornea, Cataract, and Refractive Society, Scleral Lens Education Society, Intrepid Eye Society, and is actively involved in his communities eye care initiatives.

**STAYING AT THE HILTON SEDONA RESORT & SPA IN SEDONA, AZ
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HILTON SEDONA RESORT & SPA - 90 RIDGE TRAIL DR, SEDONA, AZ 86351

**ROOM RATE OF \$289++ IS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND YOU MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE
MEETING FIRST IN ORDER TO MAKE A RESERVATION IN THE ROOM BLOCK**

2024 AZOA FALL CONGRESS REGISTRATION

easy online registration: www.azoa.org/ce-events

Name: _____ OE Tracker #: _____

Please be sure to download the OE Tracker Mobile App by ARBO on your smart phone

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

required (print neatly)

Additional Guest: _____ (name badge will be produced only for pre-paid guest meals)

PACKAGE INFORMATION:

Complete Package: (All CE and Meals Included) Please circle one

Optometrist

Student

Daily Rate (Includes all CE, meals & events offered!)

Fri Nov 22 (Includes 4 hours CE)

Sat Nov 23 (Includes 6 hours CE)

Sun Nov 24 (Includes 4 hours CE)

Received Before Oct. 30		Received After Oct. 30	
Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member
\$450	\$675	\$525	\$750
\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
\$200	\$325	\$225	\$375
\$300	\$425	\$325	\$475
\$250	\$375	\$300	\$425

Individual Guest Meals/Events (for spouses, guests, kids attending events)

- ☐ Saturday Breakfast \$35 x _____ = \$ _____
- ☐ Saturday Luncheon \$45 x _____ = \$ _____
- ☐ Sunday Breakfast \$35 x _____ = \$ _____
- ☐ Saturday Hospitality Suites ONLY Pass \$25 x _____ = \$ _____

Friday (Nov 22) Dr. Bridgewater Golf Tournament

- ☐ (9:00 AM Shotgun Start @ Sedona Golf) \$115 x _____ = \$ _____ (Includes greens fees)

TOTAL REGISTRATION: \$ _____

Payment Information

- ☐ Enclosed is my check payable to the AZOA in the amount of \$ _____

- ☐ Please charge my credit card: ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ VCode: _____ Zip: _____

Mail Completed Arizona Optometric Association
Form to: 8350 E. Raintree Dr. Ste 240
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

OR Fax Completed Form to: (602) 264-6356

QUESTIONS? Or to confirm

receipt of form, Email: kate@azoa.org

NOTE - TO RECEIVE EARLY REGISTRATION RATE: Registrations must be received on or before October 30, 2024.

CANCELLATION POLICY: All cancellations must be in writing. In order to receive a refund of 100% of the registration fee (less a \$25 cancellation fee), cancellations must be received prior to 11/8/24. No refunds after that date. **Please note that pre-registration closes on 11/19/24. Registration can be done onsite after this date. Registrations are not accepted over the phone.**

THE AZOA NO LONGER USES PAPER CE CERTIFICATES AS WE ARE NOW USING ARBO'S OE TRACKER APP FOR SMARTPHONES



Dr. Bruce Bridgewater Memorial Golf Tournament

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2024 @ 9:00 AM
SEDONA GOLF RESORT

No other Sedona golf course provides a better combination of jaw-dropping splendor and exceptional challenge. This 6,646 yard, par 71 course is widely considered among the world's most unforgettable golf experiences. Winding around the famed red rocks of Sedona, each hole provides a unique adventure and the views are breathtaking. Practice tees and putting greens offer the perfect opportunity to fine-tune your game.

The Shotgun Start will be at **9:00 AM** sharp with check in at **8:30 AM**. Spouses and guests are also welcome to participate! The fee per person is \$115.

Are You Planning to Hit the Links in Sedona?

To register, please use the main registration form on the reverse side. If you would like to request a foursome, please indicate your grouping below and fax to 602.264.6356 or you may email kate@azoa.org.

Please make sure all players register for golf to be included in your group

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

** Please note: Start times may be delayed or cancelled if inclement weather conditions exist.**

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room rate of \$289++ is subject to availability and you must be registered for the meeting in order to make a reservation in the room block



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