

## 1. Message from TOS President, Alan Mix

Summer is a great opportunity for TOS Members to catch up on writing and get involved in ocean science community activities. Here are three programs of interest:

- **IPCC** – The sixth assessment by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ([IPCC](#)) has just started; the first working group meeting just concluded in Guangzhou, China. Over the next few years, special reports will appear in 2018 and 2019, working group reports in 2021, and a final synthesis in 2022. The ocean and cryosphere will play prominent roles as mediators of long-term climate responses. Now is the time to get those IPCC-relevant papers published. Summer time is writing time!
- **National Ocean Month** – The US National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) has released a draft report — Science and Technology for America’s Oceans: A Decadal Vision — that will guide federal agencies and others to align resources. **Stakeholder and public comments are open until August 27.** The draft report is [here](#) and you can comment via email [here](#). Please include “Science and Technology for America’s Oceans” in the subject line of the message.
- **The International Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (hosted by UNESCO)** is seeking volunteers willing to host regional planning workshops, global planning meetings, and topic-specific workshops. TOS plans to co-host a Town Hall meeting at the AGU meeting in December, but involvement by others is welcome. More information on the Ocean Decade is available [here](#).

## 2. Upcoming Special Issues of *Oceanography*

The schedule for upcoming special issues has been updated recently. The revised schedule is as follows:

**September 2018:** Mathematical Aspects of Physical Oceanography

**December 2018:** Gulf of San Jorge (Patagonia, Argentina)

**March 2019:** Scientific Ocean Drilling: Looking to the Future

**June 2019:** Salinity Processes in the Upper ocean Regional Study (SPURS) – 2

**September 2019:** Partnership for Interdisciplinary Studies of Coastal Oceans (PISCO)

**December 2019:** The Anthropocene Ocean

Please visit *Oceanography*'s [Upcoming Issues page](#) for more details.

We’d love to hear from you if you are considering a future special issue. Please contact *Oceanography* Editor Ellen Kappel at [ekappel@geo-prose.com](mailto:ekappel@geo-prose.com).

P.S. Publication of the full June 2018 special issue on Ocean Warming has been delayed, but articles from this issue are being posted as soon as they are ready. Visit the [early online releases page](#) to check out currently available articles. The full issue should be available online and in print soon.

### **3. TOS Fellows Nominations Due October 31, 2018**

The deadline for submitting nominations for TOS Fellows is October 31, 2018. The program recognizing individuals who have attained eminence in oceanography through their outstanding contributions to the field of oceanography or its applications during a substantial period of years. Click [here](#) to learn more about the Fellows Program.

### **4. Community Notices**

The First International Operational Satellite Oceanography (OSO) Symposium will take place from June 18-19, 2019 in the Washington, DC area. More information is available [here](#).

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TOS is making great strides toward fulfilling its [mission](#) as we grow to represent more members of the oceanographic community worldwide. Please invite your colleagues to [join](#) by forwarding them [this link](#) to the membership page. If you would like to support TOS initiatives and programs, please consider [contributing](#) by following [this link](#).

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