



**MID-ATLANTIC BIOSAFETY ASSOCIATION
38th ANNUAL BIOSAFETY SYMPOSIUM**

Thursday, June 18, 2026

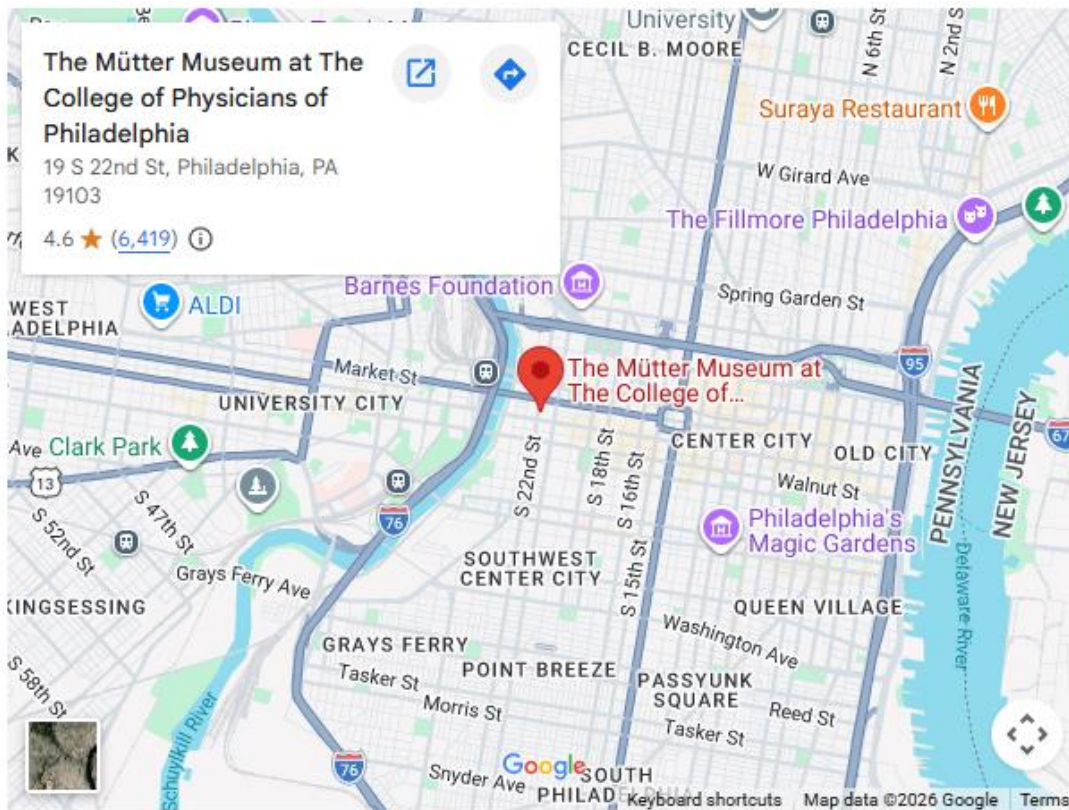
The College of Physicians of Philadelphia: The Mütter Museum
19 S 22nd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Register for the Symposium at www.mabsa.org

**Members \$50.00 in person/\$25.00 virtual; Non-Members \$70.00 in person/\$45 virtual
Non-member registration offers one year membership in 2026.
Students \$20.00 in person/\$10.00 virtual**

| Time | Presentation Title | Speaker |
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| 8:00 am – 8:15 am | Registration, breakfast and networking | |
| 8:15 am- 8:30 am | ABSA update | Anne-Sophie Brocard, PhD, RBP(ABSA), CBSP(ABSA), SM(NRCM) |
| Moderator: MABSA President Elect, Sarah Capasso, PhD, RBP(ABSA) | | |
| 8:30 am – 9:15 am | The Lab That Already Leaked: From Biosafety Officer to AI Safety Officer | Tucker Piergallini, PhD, RBP (ABSA), Assistant Biosafety Officer, University of Pennsylvania |
| 9:15 am -10:00 am | Human Remains Collections and Acquisition at The College of Physicians of Philadelphia | Lowell Flanders Collections Manager & Registrar, Mütter Museum The College of Physicians of Philadelphia |
| 10:00 am -10:30 am | Morning Break, Visit Exhibitors and Networking | |
| Moderator: MABSA Councilor, Anthony P. Spano, M.S. | | |
| 10:30 am – 11:15 am | Green Labs at Penn: A Collaborative Approach to Safety and Sustainability | Alisha Ramirez, Sustainable Labs Manager, University of Pennsylvania |
| 11:15 am – 12:00 pm | Positive Gatekeeping: Regulatory Systems and Cost Savings | Tony Secreto MRA Director, Stem Cell and Xenograft Core, University of Pennsylvania |
| 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm | Lunch, Visit Exhibitors, and Networking | |
| Moderator: MABSA President, Sean Fitzgerald, MPH, RBP, CBSP (ABSA) | | |
| 1:00 pm – 1:45 pm | Biosafety in Rhesus Macaque Research: Field-Based Case Studies | Carla Escabi, PhD, Research Project Manager-Neuroscience, University of Pennsylvania |
| 1:45 pm – 2:30 pm | Live Biological Products: Concerns of a BSO | Brian Petuch CBSP RBP Merck (retired) Biosafety Program Manager International Safety Systems EHS |
| 2:30 pm – 2:40 pm | Afternoon Break, Visit Exhibitors and Networking | |
| Moderator: MABSA Councilor, Marcia Pindling-Watkins, DMH, MS, MT, M(ASCP) | | |
| 2:40 pm – 3:25 pm | No meat for you! Ticks and Alpha gal syndrome | James L. Occi, MA, MS, PhD Microbiologist New Jersey Department of Health and Center for Vector Biology Rutgers University |
| 3:25 pm – 3:30 pm | Closing Remarks | MABSA President, Sean Fitzgerald, MPH, RBP, CBSP (ABSA) |
| 3:30pm – 5:00pm | Visit the Museum – Ticket included in registration! | |

Directions



Address

19 S. 22nd Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103

[GET DIRECTIONS](#)

215-560-8564

SEPTA and Amtrak

SEPTA's green trolley line stops at Market and 22nd Sts., just a half-block north of the Museum.

SEPTA's Suburban Station is a short walk or cab ride from the Museum.

SEPTA's Regional Rail and Market-Frankford Line and all Amtrak trains arrive at Philadelphia's 30th St. Station, which is a 10-minute walk or short cab ride from the Museum.

To walk to the Museum from 30th St. Station, exit the station, and walk east on Market Street across the Schuylkill River bridge toward 22nd St. Turn right on 22nd St; the Museum is in the middle of the block.

PATCO

PATCO connects with SEPTA at the 8th and Market Street Station. Transfer to the westbound Market-Frankford Line. Travel four stops to 30th Street. Follow the directions above from 30th St. Station.

Driving Directions

From the South

Take I-95N to I-76W. Take exit 345 to 30th Street. Turn right onto Chestnut St. Turn left onto S. 22nd St. The Museum is on the right.

From the North

Take I-95S to I-676W. Take the Benjamin Franklin Parkway exit. Turn right on 22nd Street and right on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. Turn right on N. 21st St. Turn right on Sansom St. Turn right onto S. 22nd St. The Museum is 1.5 blocks ahead on the right.

From the West

Take I-76E to Philadelphia. Take exit 344 on to the left to I-676E. Take the 23rd St. exit and turn right onto N. 23rd St. Turn left on Chestnut St. Turn left on 22nd St. The Museum is on the right.

From New Jersey

Take the Benjamin Franklin Bridge to I-676W. Follow the **From the North** directions above.

Parking



**MARKET STREET
PARKING ENTRANCE**



**21ST STREET
PARKING ENTRANCE**

Unfortunately, there is not a parking lot associated with the building. Two paid lots are directly next to and behind the building. Pictured above is the entrance to the parking lot on Market Street, in between 22nd and 21st streets. The second photo is the entrance to the parking lot on 21st Street, in between Market and Chestnut streets. There is also metered on-street parking on most of the streets surrounding the Museum.

Hotels

Fitler Club

<https://www.fitlerclub.com>

0.13 mi from The Mütter Museum

AKA Rittenhouse Square

<https://www.stayaka.com>

0.37 mi from The Mütter Museum

Hyatt Centric Rittenhouse Square Philadelphia

<https://www.hyatt.com>

0.48 mi from The Mütter Museum

Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown

<https://sheratonphiladelphiadowntown.reservationstays.com>

0.56 mi from The Mütter Museum

Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

<https://philadelphiamarriott.guestreservations.com/>

0.84 mi from The Mütter Museum

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