

Linus Pauling Exhibition Planning Under Way
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“Linus Pauling and the 20th Century,” a multimedia exhibition celebrating the life of the late Nobel laureate and humanitarian, will be held at the Herbst Pavilion in San Francisco’s Presidio Sept. 19–Nov. 6. The exhibit will be cosponsored by the Linus Pauling Institute, Oregon State University and the SGI.

The Linus Pauling Select Advisory Committee, comprising supporters and colleagues of Dr. Pauling, met on the weekend of March 28–29 at the SGI-USA San Francisco Culture Center to finalize plans for the exhibition.

SGI-USA representatives Gary Murie and Mary Worthington presented a proposal for the exhibit, which will chronicle Dr. Pauling’s remarkable life in three parts: his boyhood and college years in Oregon; his career as a chemist, including his Nobel Prize in chemistry in 1954; and his humanitarian accomplishments, including his Nobel Peace Prize in 1962.

Dr. Pauling (1901–1994) was a renowned scientist and dedicated peace activist. He is the only person to date to have won two unshared Nobel Prizes, although he felt that the peace prize should have been shared with his wife, Ava Helen Pauling.

SGI President Ikeda and Dr. Pauling first met in 1987. Their dialogue, *A Lifelong Quest for Peace*, was published in 1992. In his message to the members of the advisory committee, President Ikeda said of Pauling: “It was truly an extraordinary privilege to be able to develop a friendship with this great man during the final years of his life, as he brought to full flower the ideas and commitments of a lifetime.... He was a person of action, and we honor his memory most faithfully through our own actions for peace.”

SGI-USA member Larry Florin, working as a staff person to the committee, said: “My goal is to respond to President Ikeda, to fulfill the promise he made to Dr. Pauling. The promise is to expose a new generation to the values that Linus Pauling stood for, to educate people about justice and humanitarianism.”

Attendees at the committee meeting included chairperson Linus Pauling Jr., M.D.; John F. Catchpool, M.D.; Kenneth W. Hedberg, Ph.D.; Zelek Seymour Herman, Ph.D.; Dudley Robert Herschbach, Ph.D.; Ramesh S. Krishnamurthy; Stephen R. Lawson, Ph.D.; Walter Nunn Lipscomb Jr., Ph.D.; Barbara Marinacci; Hardin McConnell, Ph.D.; Ahmed Zewail, Ph.D.; Fred Zaitso, SGI-USA general director; and Gerry Hall, SGI-USA vice general director and Culture Department leader.

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