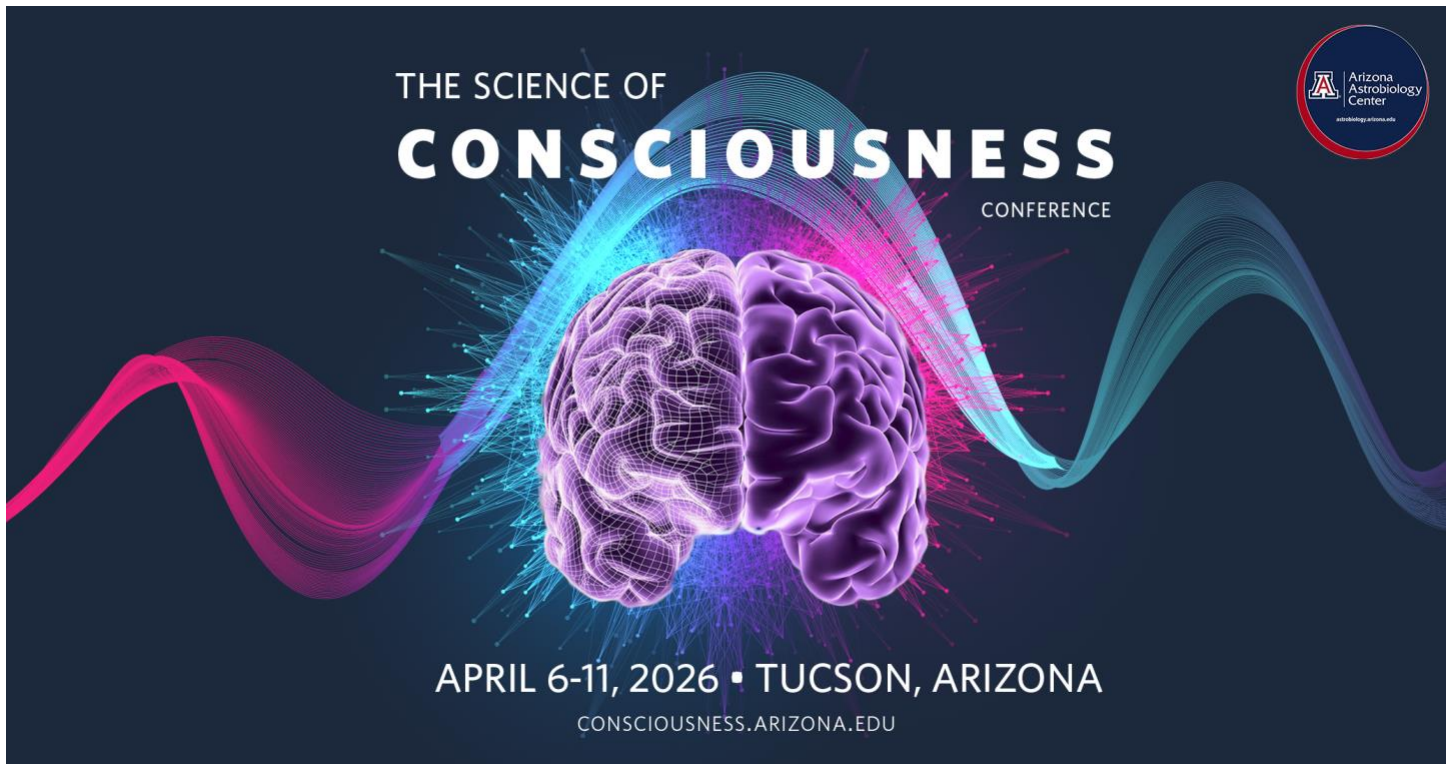


TSC 2026 Conference Announcement & Call for Abstracts



Plenary Speakers Will Include :

Andre Bastos * Anirban Bandyopadhyay * Alysson Muotri
Dante Lauretta * Deepak Chopra * Edward Large * Harmut Neven
Jeffery A. Martin * Lee Cronin * Martin Picard * Mike Wiest
Nick Lane * Nirosha Murugan * Robert Long * Robin Carhart-
Harris * Sir Roger Penrose (R) * Sara Imari Walker * Sarika
Katiyar * Sonia Antoranz Contera * Steen Rasmussen
Stuart Hameroff * Suzanne Gildert

Themes 2026

Photons in the brain

Origins of life and consciousness

Mitochondria and consciousness

Awakening & enlightenment

Quantum brain biology

Consciousness and reality

Can AI be conscious?

Psychedelic actions in the brain

Quantum AI

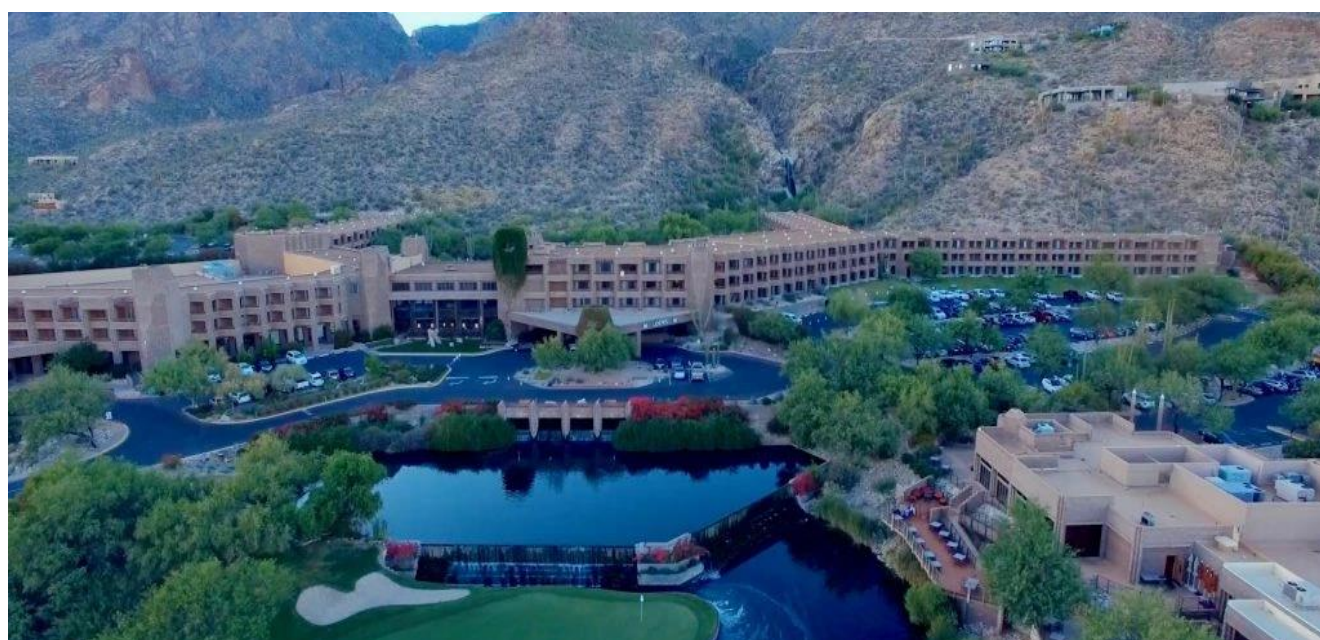
Measuring correlates of consciousness

Cerebral organoids and consciousness

‘Eschermatics’ - Consciousness and geometry

Extra-ocular vision – A critical assessment

The Science of Consciousness Conference April 6-11, 2026
Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson Arizona



The Science of Consciousness Conference is now under the auspices
of the University of Arizona- Arizona Astrobiology Center AABC

[Arizona Astrobiology Center](#)

[The Science of CONSCIOUSNESS Website](#)

[TSC YouTube Channel \(Over 400 program videos\)](#)

The Science of Consciousness ('TSC') is an interdisciplinary conference emphasizing rigorous approaches to the study of consciousness and its place in the universe. Topical areas include neuroscience, philosophy, psychology, cognitive science, biology, quantum physics and quantum brain biology, cosmology, meditation, altered states, artificial intelligence/machine consciousness, the nature of reality, culture and experiential phenomenology.

Held annually since 1994, the TSC conference is **now hosted by The Arizona Astrobiology Center**, University of Arizona, and alternates yearly between Tucson, Arizona and held at various locations in Italy, Denmark, Japan, Sweden, Czech Republic, Hungary, Hong Kong, India, Finland, San Diego, Switzerland and Barcelona. The 32nd annual TSC will be held April 6-11, 2026, in Tucson Arizona. The conference is planned for in-person participation with online livestreaming. Live participation and broadcast will take place at the Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, a beautiful eco-lodge in the hills above Tucson, Arizona.

Tucson TSC conferences consist of keynote, plenary and concurrent talks, posters, exhibits, workshops and social events. A welcome reception/dinner, poster session refreshments, optional dinner and end of conference (poetry slam) party are planned. The hotel provides daily free hikes, stargazing, tennis, pickleball, gym, spa offerings as designated times to be announced. We hope for a robust in-person audience and will update and finalize conditions and participation mode in early 2026. Looking forward to your participation.

Plenary and Keynote Program

Plenary Sessions (3 sessions per day, Tuesday, April 6-Saturday, April 11)

Live sessions will be held in the Kiva Ballroom.

Concurrent Sessions

Tuesday April 7, Wednesday April 9, and Friday April 10 - 5:00-7:00 pm

5 speakers (20-minute talk w/ 5 min for Q&A) in each parallel (concurrent) thematic session, the number of sessions each day to be determined.

Workshops

4-hour sessions held on Monday April 6 (2 morning sessions 9-12:30; 2 afternoon sessions 2-5:30 pm and 1 evening session 7-9:30 pm)

TSC Conference Registration Fees

Registration – In-person attendance

Student \$450 Standard \$550 Thursday Optional Dinner \$95

[Registration via Eventbrite](#)

Registration includes all workshops, Tuesday opening reception, evening exhibit receptions; End of Consciousness Party and Poetry Slam; morning coffee. The resort will have free hour-long slots for tennis, pickleball, spa, health and courtesy shuttle to Sabino Canyon (there is an on-site tram fee from Parks & Services) and shuttles to the Ventana Village shopping center (supermarket, pharmacy, galleries, dining) - 1.5 miles from resort

Livestream - Plenary, Designated Workshops and Concurrents \$199

Conference Venue *[take a virtual tour](#)*

Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson Arizona

[Make a Reservation on the TSC Group Block](#)

An early room rate is available for conference registrants (\$179) and the resort fee is waived. Deadline March 13

Abstract Submission Link

[Abstracts: Oxford Abstracts Submission Link for TSC 2026](#)

Deadline: November 15

[TAXONOMY 2026](#) Link to Taxonomy for abstract categories - Additional themes welcomed in the 6 major categories: Philosophy, Neuroscience, Cog Sci-Psychology, Physical & Biological Sciences, Experiential Approaches, Culture & Humanities

Posters/Exhibits/Demos

Wednesday/Friday 7:00-9:00 pm

Workshop Proposals - Email your 1–2-page proposal to the organizers by **October 15** include names/short bios of facilitators. center@arizona.edu

Visa Letters/Letters of invitation - Email requests by December 15 (include name, affiliation, ID #, residency and any other required info

Sponsorships - Email the Conference Manager: center@arizona.edu

Exhibitor Information - Email the Conference Manager: center@arizona.edu

Deadlines

Workshop Proposals	10/15/25
Abstract Submissions	11/05/25
Acceptance notifications	11/30/25
Visa Letter requests	12/15/25
Conference Registration Early	12/20/25
Hotel Group Rate deadline	3/13/26

Draft Program 2026

Monday 4/6	Workshops
Tuesday 4/7	Plenary, Concurrents, Exhibits, Welcome Reception
Wednesday 4/8	Plenary, Concurrents, Exhibits, Art-Tech-Health
Thursday 4/9	Plenary, Concurrents, Exhibits, Conference Dinner (optional)
Friday 4/10	Plenary, Concurrents, Exhibits, Art-Tech-Health, Poetry Slam
Saturday 4/11	Plenary, morning sessions through 12:30 pm

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