

May 2023

# CWEA YP Newsletter

## Online Meetings and Webinars

### CWEA YP Committee Meeting

**Wednesday, May 10 | 8:30 - 9:30 am**

**[Teams Meeting Link](#)**

Are you a student or young professional in the water industry in Maryland, Delaware, or D.C. area looking to get involved in CWEA? Join us for the monthly YP Committee meeting. Meetings are open to any interested member!

**For more information, please contact Danielle Sheahan ([dsheahan@brwncald.com](mailto:dsheahan@brwncald.com)) or Tom Howard ([tom.howard.water@gmail.com](mailto:tom.howard.water@gmail.com)).**

### CWEA YP Coffee Chat

**Wednesday, May 17 | 8:30 - 9:00 am**

**[Teams Meeting Link](#)**

Join the YPs for our bi-weekly coffee chat! This week, Nashid Mirza will speak about her YP Summit experience and Danielle Sheahan will speak about her WEFMAX experience.

**For more information, please contact the YP Committee ([cwea.yp@gmail.com](mailto:cwea.yp@gmail.com)).**

## VWEA Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Interactive Webinars

**Various Dates from 12:00 - 1:00 pm:**

- 1. May 24- Unconscious Bias 101 | [Register](#)**
- 2. June 28- Inclusive Recruitment & Retention Strategies | [Register](#)**
- 3. July 26- Train-the-Trainer / Building Facilitation Skills for Dialogue| [Register](#)**

In partnership with the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC), VWEA will be offering virtual training to expand leadership and management skills related to diversity, equity and inclusion monthly from April - July. The webinars have been approved for Class I and II Wastewater Operator Utility Management credit. The workshops will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 12:00 - 1:00 pm.

Register for just one webinar or multiple (each webinar requires a separate registration).

**For more information, please contact Kathy Rabalais ([kathy](mailto:kathy)).**



Want your YP event featured in the newsletter? Contact Savannah Steinly at [ssteinly@tandmassociates.com](mailto:ssteinly@tandmassociates.com)

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## In-Person Events

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### **May the 4th be With You: Rising Water Professionals Happy Hour**

**Thursday, May 4 | 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**  
**Hook Hall, 3400 Georgia Ave NW, Washington DC**  
[Click here for more information](#)

The Rising Water Professionals groups is hosting an upcoming happy hour. No registration is required. We hope to see you there. Feel free to bring some new friends along and spread the word!

### **Water Industry Career Fair/ Hiring Event**

**Thursday, May 18 | 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**  
**Baltimore War Memorial Building, 101 N. Gay Street, Baltimore, MD**  
[Click here for more information](#)

Are you an employer currently recruiting for entry-level positions, or will you have some openings in the new future and would like to meet these well-qualified candidates? If so, please join us.

APPLICANTS THAT WILL BE ATTENDING:

- Young men and women who have recently completed the 2023 YH2O Career Mentoring Program and are ready for entry-level career opportunities in all industries including the public works industry.
- YH2O Alumni who completed the YH2O Career Mentoring Program and have been employed in the water industry full-time. To learn more, go to

**For more information, please contact Curtis Landen ([Curtis.Landen@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Curtis.Landen@baltimorecity.gov)) or Kraig Moodie ([Kraig.Moodie@rjnmail.com](mailto:Kraig.Moodie@rjnmail.com)).**

### **Chesapeake Bay Canoe Trip and Field Training**

**Friday, May 19 | 9:00 - 3:00 pm**  
**16000 Croom Airport Rd, Upper Marlboro, MD**  
[Click here to register](#)

Looking for an exciting opportunity to gain new skills, learn more about water quality in our region, and network with YPs and EPs? Join the CWEA YP Committee and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) for a canoe-based field program in Jug Bay! During the program, CBF guides will teach participants how to conduct basic field sampling and assess riparian buffer and wetland health, all while canoeing and discussing Bay-related issues. Don't forget to bring a packed lunch, carry a refillable water bottle, and wear clothing that can get wet and muddy. A set of dry clothes for the ride home is suggested. Registration is now open for \$15 for YPs and \$20 for EPs.

**For more information, please contact Tom Howard ([tom.howard.water@gmail.com](mailto:tom.howard.water@gmail.com)).**

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### VWEA/VA AWWA Water Resource Recovery Facility Tour

**Tuesday, May 23 | 3:00 pm**

**1800 Limerick St, Alexandria, VA 22314**

**[Click here to register](#)**

You are invited to join the YP Committee for an Alex Renew water resource recovery facility tour and After Hours! The tour is limited to 15 spots, so make sure to register early. The after hours will be open to more participants if the tour fills up or you cannot make the tour.

**For more information, please contact Monica Oristian ([Monica.Oristian@alexrenew.com](mailto:Monica.Oristian@alexrenew.com)).**

## June 2023

### CWEA Stormwater Committee Summer Seminar

**Thursday, June 1**

**692 Maritime Blvd, Linthicum Heights, MD**

**[Click here to register and for more information](#)**

This year's theme is **Inside the Pipe: Management of Constructed Stormwater Assets**. See the attached link for additional information on pricing. Sponsorship opportunities and exhibitor space are available!

### WSSC Piscataway Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour

**Thursday, June 2**

**11 Farmington Rd W, Accokeek, MD**

The CWEA YPs are hosting a tour of the Piscataway WWTP! More details and time will be sent out in the coming days.

**If interested, please contact Carlos Mejia ([CMejia@pleasantsconstruction.com](mailto:CMejia@pleasantsconstruction.com)).**

### CWEA YP/EP Juneteenth Park Cleanup

**June 19, 2023 | 5:00 - 7:00 pm**

**DC Ward 8**

Support DC watersheds this summer by removing legacy trash and invasive vines from a public park. Local non-profit Ward 8 Woods has been making waves in this space and will train you to make an impact. You will get to choose your tasks from a range of difficulties, but everyone is asked to wear long sleeves, long pants, tall socks, and closed toed shoes. CWEA will provide gloves, tools, water, and dinner to celebrate.

**For more information, please contact Aaron Mann ([aaron.mann@jacobs.com](mailto:aaron.mann@jacobs.com)).**

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### July & August 2023

#### Washington Spirit NWSL Game

**July 28, 2023 | 5:30 pm Happy Hour (location TBD), 7:00 pm Kickoff**

**Kickoff at Audi Field (100 Potomac Ave SW, Washington, DC 20024)**

Cheer for the Washington Spirit as they take on NJ/NY Gotham FC in the NWSL Challenge Cup. CWEA YPs will host a happy hour with food before joining the lively supporter section at Audi Field. Only 20 heavily discounted tickets will be available, so look out for the registration link to reserve your seat (\$5 for members, \$10 for non-members, FREE for collegiate members).

**For more information, please contact Aaron Mann ([aaron.mann@jacobs.com](mailto:aaron.mann@jacobs.com)).**

#### CWEA YP Two Mile Fun Run with Second Wind

**August 4, 2023 | 7:00 pm**

**Dundalk, MD**

**[Click here to register](#)**

Join the CWEA YP Committee as a team on a 2-mile fun run in Dundalk MD. This quick little run features a beer at the halfway point and we'll follow with a happy hour afterwards at the venue. Sponsorship opportunities are available! Join us to boost your step count of the day and email [Ziwei.he@hdrinc.com](mailto:Ziwei.he@hdrinc.com) for more details on registration or if interested in sponsoring the event.

**If interested in registering, please contact Ziwei He ([Ziwei.he@hdrinc.com](mailto:Ziwei.he@hdrinc.com)).**

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## Upcoming Opportunities

### CWEA YP Committee Delaware Representative

The YP Committee is still looking for a representative for the Delaware region to attend meetings, organize events, and perform other duties!

**If interested, please contact the YP Committee ([cwea.yp@gmail.com](mailto:cwea.yp@gmail.com)).**

### Volunteers Needed EIT/PE Exam and License Panel

Have you taken your EIT/PE license exam in Delaware, Maryland, D.C., or Virginia? Are you interested in participating in a panel and discussing your road to licensure experience?

**If so, please contact Agam Singh ([ASingh1@BrwnCald.com](mailto:ASingh1@BrwnCald.com)).**

### CWEA Government Affairs Committee

#### We are looking for committee members!

The CWEA GAC strives to not only keep our members informed of state and federal policies that impact the efforts to improve water quality and protect the water environment of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, but also to nurture partnerships with key stakeholders in our region through establishing lines of communication with policy-makers and participating in public policy discussions. We are looking for committee members that would be interested in diving deeper into the regulations and policies that govern the water industry in Delaware, Maryland, DC and at the Federal level.

**If interested, please contact Elizabeth Colletti ([ecolletti@wbcm.com](mailto:ecolletti@wbcm.com)).**

### CWEA Public Outreach Committee

#### Seeking a committee chair and Stockholm Junior Water Prize Judges

The Public Outreach Committee Chair duties generally include:

- Sign up for science fair judging (generally occurs in Feb – March timeframe)
- Solicit volunteers to participate in science fair judging (usually 1 – 2 judges needed per science fair)
- The winners of these science fairs will be eligible for the Stockholm Junior Water Prize (SJWP); once these candidates are identified, the Public Outreach Chair will coordinate with Traci to provide funding to the families to cover their airfare

At the moment, there is also an immediate need for 2 judges to participate in the SJWP judging. Judging is virtual and entails reviewing and scoring student project submissions. This will occur towards the end of May/early June and in the past we've had around 20 projects to review and score.

**If interested, please contact Rebecca Winer-Skonovd ([rwinerskonovd@biohabitats.com](mailto:rwinerskonovd@biohabitats.com)) and Pam Rowe ([Pamela.Rowe@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Pamela.Rowe@montgomerycountymd.gov)).**

# Career Coaches NEEDED for our EPA Grant winning program!



## The Baltimore City YH2O Career Mentoring Program

**Industry professionals will volunteer to serve as one-on-one Career Coaches to young adults enrolled in the program:**

- Career Coaches will each be matched with a youth program participant with whom they will communicate on a weekly basis, either in-person, virtually, or by phone, email, or text.
- During these conversations, Career Coaches will talk with their mentees about their progress in the program, discuss their strengths and skills, gauge their career interests, talk about specific jobs within the industry they may be well suited for, and answer any questions they have about the field, etc.
- There will also be opportunities for all Career Coaches and Program Participants to get together as a group occasionally during the months of May, June, or July. (Virtually or in-person)
- Time commitment is 1 – 2 hours per week depending on the level of communication the Career Coach commits to give their mentee.

We encourage you to get involved with this professionally and personally rewarding program. If you would like to volunteer as a Career Coach/Mentor, please contact Traci Storm, CWEA Executive Manager at [traci@chesapeakewea.org](mailto:traci@chesapeakewea.org).





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# The 2023 Summer Symposium

JULY

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DoubleTree by Hilton Binghamton  
225 Water Street  
Binghamton, New York 13901

Registration rates:

\$325 for MABA members

\$425 for non-MABA members

Opening reception:

\$35 for MABA members

\$45 for non-MABA members

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