



You are cordially invited to attend the **2023 Sigma Xi and IEEE Annual Awards Banquet** on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Uptown, 2600 Louisiana Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM.

### **Program**

**5:30 pm: Check-in**

**6:00 pm: Dinner**

Fresh Garden Salad: Ranch Dressing and Balsamic Vinaigrette

Warm Dinner Rolls w/ Butter

*Seared Alaskan Salmon*

Balsamic Reduction | Roasted Red Potato Crab Salad | Oven tried Cherry Heirloom Tomatoes

*Grilled Sirloin*

Burgundy Mushroom Jus | Boursin Whipped Potatoes | Roasted Broccolini

*Portobello Stack*

Marinated Portobello | Vegetables | Black Beans | Red Pepper Coulis

Dessert

Iced tea, lemonade, and coffee

**7:00 pm: IEEE and Sigma Xi Awards**

**7:30 pm: Sigma Xi Initiation**

**8:00 pm: Banquet Talk - “Dancing with Deadpool: Science and the challenge of life with less water in the American West”**

**Speaker:** John Fleck, Professor of Practice in Water Policy and Governance in the University of New Mexico Department of Economics and director of the University's Water Resources Program

**Speaker Biography:** a former science journalist, is Writer in Residence at the Utton Center, University of New Mexico School of Law; and Professor of Practice in Water Policy and Governance in the University of New Mexico Department of Economics. He is the author of *Water is For Fighting Over and Other Myths About Water in the West* and co-author, with Eric Kuhn, of *Science Be Dammed: How Ignoring Inconvenient Science Drained the Colorado River*. He is working with Bob Berrens on a new book – *Ribbons Green: The Rio Grande and the Making of a Modern American City*.

**Abstract:** When the leaders of the federal government and the seven U.S. states of the Colorado River Basin gathered a century ago to divide the region's waters, they made a grave mistake: they ignored scientists who tried to tell them the river could not provide as much water as they thought. In the 21st century, we are far better at accepting and incorporating good science, but science alone cannot tell us how to live with less as our communities grow while our water supply shrinks. Writer

John Fleck has spent a dozen years in the belly of this beast, chronicling our successes and failures as we struggle to make a life with less water in the West.

#### Registration Fees

- Award winners and their guest, complimentary
- Award nominators and their guest, complimentary
- IEEE Fellows and their guest, complimentary
- Sigma Xi past presidents and their guest, complimentary
- IEEE past section chairs and their guest, complimentary
- IEEE members and their guest, \$35each
- Sigma Xi members and their guest, \$35 each
- IEEE Board members and their guest, \$25 each
- Sigma Xi Board members and their guest, \$25 each
- IEEE Student branch members, complimentary
- Invited speaker and their guest, complimentary
- Sigma Xi initiate and their guest, complimentary
- General public and their guest, \$40 each

Please make your reservations by Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, using the IEEE signup website:

<https://events.vtools.ieee.org/event/register/359532>