

Message from the Chair

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I am both honored and humbled to serve as the Division Chair to the oldest division within ASEE. Not that long ago that I was vigorously reading all *EDGJ* articles that I could get my hands on feverishly working on my dissertation. Many of the past chairs and division members previous work helped to frame my own research. If told then that I would serve as the chair the division I would have not thought it possible. I want to thank the division for its faith and confidence.

I proffer sincere thanks to Lulu Sun, our immediate past chair. Her support and guidance to me during my tenure as vice-chair has been invaluable. I am counting on her continued mentorship and guidance, as well as the past chairs.

I welcome to the 2019-2020 Executive Committee Holly Ault as the incoming Chair Elect, Magesh Chandramouli as the Program Chair, and Lei Gu as the Director of Membership. A special thank you to Ted Branoff as ends his term as Director of Programs and as Conference Chair for Tampa.

Please join me in offering earnest thanks to Bob Chin his diligence and persistence yielded revised, new, and improved Division by-laws. Bob worked tirelessly to ensure division participation and to provide clear and concise updates as he worked update our by-laws.

I encourage all of you to become involved with the leadership within EDGD; you can reach out to any of the division officers or any other division member. This division is one of the most welcoming that I have experienced. We have multiple avenues for participation from serving in an officer position to assisting with the *Engineering Design Graphics Journal* to helping to plan the midyear conference.

The division is soliciting digests for the 74th Midyear Conference in Norfolk, VA hosted by Old Dominion University. The dates for the midyear conference are November 17-19, 2019. Petros Katsioloudos is serving as the site chair and the program chair is Vukica Jovanovic — both have promised an exciting and information packed conference. See <https://sites.wp.odu.edu/edgd-2019-mid-year-odu/> for additional information.

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ASEE's 127th Annual Conference and Exposition will be in beautiful and cool (hopefully) Montreal, Quebec, Canada, June 21-24 2020. The EDGD program chair is Lulu Sun. We will again have a fantastic program — I am sure the technical sessions will be excellent and the restaurant for the awards banquet will again be first-rate. Please look for emails from her about the upcoming annual conference and if you have any questions please contact Lulu.

The division does sponsor several travel grants — the Outstanding Educator and the Rising Educator awards. The division will award up to two awards per travel grant annually. See <https://sites.wp.odu.edu/edgd-2019-midyear-odu/travel-grants/> for additional information.

Finally, please join me in congratulating one of EDGD's very own. Sheryl Sorby will serve as the ASEE President-Elect this year and President in 2021. The Division could not be prouder nor more excited.

I hope you enjoy this issue of the *Engineering Design Graphics Journal* and see you at our 74th Midyear Conference in Norfolk, VA in November 2019 and in Montreal in June 2020!