

THIRD BULLETIN FEBRUARY 2023

## Welcome

The 26th International Conference on Computing in High Energy & Nuclear Physics will take place at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott, Norfolk, Virginia on 08-12 May 2023. For the latest information about CHEP 2023, please refer to the conference website: <https://www.jlab.org/conference/CHEP2023>

## Important Reminders / Updates!

**NOTE:** It is very important that travelers remain aware of the regularly updated [CDC Rules for Travel to/within the United States](#). In particular, non-U.S. Citizens, non-U.S. Immigrants are required to demonstrate proof of vaccination (as of Nov 2022). As of January 5, 2023, a negative COVID-19 test result requirement has been reinstated for those traveling from or through China, Hong Kong, or Macau (details in the CDC link above).

[Provisional Registration](#) remains open. This will allow people to register while deferring payment of a registration fee until later, allowing extra time for travel planning and visa applications.

**NOTE:** In order to take advantage of the early registration discount, you must have **completed payment by February 15**.

**Limited travel support** is now available! Applicants will require an accepted abstract or poster, and will need to have a paid registration. Details and application instructions are in the [Travel Application Form](#). Students, Post-docs, and individuals from under-represented groups will have priority.

**Book your Hotel ASAP** to lock-in [River View Hotel Rooms](#), and book a spot on one of the many exciting [Excursions](#) (Kayaking, Glass Blowing, Botanical Gardens, Bridge-Tunnel 'Behind the Scenes' Tour, and more!) **Slots are limited so book now!**

## CHEP Scientific Program

The scientific program for CHEP 2023 will address the computing, networking, and software needs of the world's leading data-intensive science experiments that analyze hundreds of petabytes of data using worldwide computing resources. The conference is concentrated around high energy and nuclear physics but welcomes contributions from all data intensive sciences. With this year's conference located in Virginia and hosted by the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab) we hope to see a strong representation from the nuclear physics community.

The CHEP 2023 organizers are committed to fostering a supportive and diverse environment with opportunities for everyone. We strive towards having full participation from the whole community and encourage anyone to attend, even those outside of this field of interest. Attendance of students at CHEP 2023 is strongly encouraged.

Selection of talks and posters will be made based on submitted abstracts. The parallel program is organized into twelve tracks, listed in the table below:

- Data and Metadata Organization, Management and Access
- Online Computing
- Offline Computing
- Distributed Computing
- Sustainable and Collaborative Software Engineering
- Physics Analysis Tools
- Facilities and Virtualization
- Collaboration, Reinterpretation, Outreach and Education
- Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Exascale Science
- Heterogeneous Computing and Accelerators
- Quantum Computing

All accepted talks and posters will be allocated space in the published proceedings of CHEP 2023. The proceedings will be published in an open access journal after papers have been peer reviewed under the supervision of the Program Committee.

A [Pre-Conference Workshop](#) managed by the WLCG/HSF groups will run on May 6 and 7. Please check the box when you register for CHEP 2023 if you wish to attend!

## Important dates

Early registration closes	February 15th, 2023
Preconference workshop	May 6th and 7th, 2023
Conference	May 8th - 12th, 2023

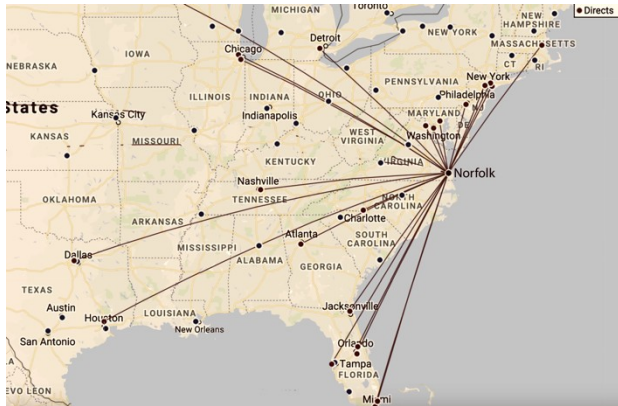
## Venue

The conference will be held in the city of Norfolk in southeastern Virginia at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott. Centrally located in the downtown riverfront area and recently renovated, this spacious hotel features comfortable rooms with both city and river views as well as space for all activities associated with the conference. The rooms and public spaces are Americans with Disability ACT (ADA) accessible.

There will be no arranged child care for the CHEP2023 conference. Should you want to look into childcare options in the area this may be a helpful starting point <https://www.care.com/>.

## Transport

Norfolk is easily accessible via air and is also accessible via rail from the Washington, DC area. The trip from the Norfolk airport to the Marriott is 15 minutes via taxi or ride share. Be advised that travel times to Norfolk via car can be highly variable due to traffic delays at bridges and tunnels. Nominally, it is a 3 to 3.5 hour drive from Dulles Airport in Washington, DC. There is a parking garage attached to the Marriott. However, daily access to a vehicle will not be necessary as all events are within a short walk as are restaurants and other attractions.



## Dining

We propose that attendees sample the local cuisine for lunch and dinner. There are more than 100 [restaurants](#) within walking distance of the Marriott. For dinner, it is also possible to use the local light rail system (the Tide) or take the ferry to [Portsmouth](#) for additional dining options. The tickets for the Tide and the ferry are \$4.50 for an all-day pass, with the ferry landing located at Waterside. In addition, [VisitNorfolk](#) is sponsoring a discount program at selected local restaurants for conference attendees.

## After Hours and Diversions

Norfolk is a vibrant city and fun to explore. Self-guided walking [tours](#) and local museums and attractions offer something for everyone. Steps from the Marriott is [Nauticus](#), a hands-on science and technology center that allows visitors to experience the power of the sea, including interactive exhibits featuring the [Battleship Wisconsin](#). Also in the vicinity of the Marriott are two unique shopping experiences, the historic [Selden Market Promenade](#) and the [MacArthur Center Mall](#). The thriving, local music scene in Norfolk features [venues](#) within an easy walk or Uber ride from the Marriott. There are also several nature preserves nearby, including the [Norfolk Botanical Gardens](#), [First Landing State Park](#) and [Back Bay Wildlife Refuge](#). At [False Cape State Park](#) one can find pristine and uncrowded beaches. On Wednesday afternoon, there will be free time during which several optional excursions will be arranged for an additional fee. Depending on demand, tours and excursions for companions can also be arranged.

## Pre- and Post-Conference Opportunities

May is also a perfect time of year to visit the Mid-Atlantic region of the country. There are many interesting destinations within a

few hours drive of Norfolk. An hour north is the Historic Triangle area of Williamsburg/Jamestown/Yorktown as well as popular theme parks – [Busch Gardens](#) and [Water Country, USA](#). Across the famous 15-mile Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel are the Eastern Shore, Chincoteague, and Assateague Island beaches. An hour and a half drive south are the [Outer Banks](#) of North Carolina including [Kitty Hawk](#) and the [Cape Hatteras National Seashore](#). About 3 hours west are the Appalachian Mountains and [Shenandoah National Park](#). In the same area, Charlottesville is home to historic [Monticello](#) (Thomas Jefferson’s home) and a good base point to explore the area. Finally, [Washington, DC](#) is about a 3 hour drive north and is also the closest major international arrivals airport ([Dulles](#)).

For those arriving early, there will be an [Air Show](#) running May 5–7 held at the Joint Base Langley-Eustis, roughly an hour north of Norfolk. The [Spring Town Point Virginia Wine Festival](#) also runs across the street from the CHEP venue on May 6–7. An excellent pairing with the preconference workshop!

## Workshop

The optional [preconference workshop](#) will be held at the [Norfolk Waterside Marriott](#) on 6-7 May.

## Registration

Provisional [registration](#) for CHEP 2023 opened in August. The registration fees are shown in the table below. All fees are charged in US dollars (USD).

\$650	Early registration (August 16 <sup>th</sup> – February 15 <sup>th</sup> )
\$750	Full registration (after February 15 <sup>th</sup> .)
\$350	Student
\$150	Preconference workshop

A very limited Remote Attendance option will open on Feb 15, 2023. It will provide *broadcast/view-only* support for the plenary sessions alone. Unfortunately cost and venue limitations make full remote participation in the plenaries and remote attendance in the breakout sessions prohibitive this year.

The conference registration fee for CHEP 2023 includes the following items:

- Welcome reception (Monday evening)
- Closing Event (Thursday evening)

The following optional items may be purchased at an additional cost during registration:

- Closing Event tickets for accompanying persons
- [Excursion tickets](#) for Wednesday afternoon

## Sponsorship opportunities

Commercial sponsorship of CHEP 2023 is actively encouraged. For information about sponsorship opportunities please visit the conference webpage or contact the email below for sponsorship guidance.

## Contact

CHEP 2023 host institution is the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility (JLab).

Conference chairs are Amber Boehnlein and Graham Heyes and can be reached at [chep2023-chairs@jlab.org](mailto:chep2023-chairs@jlab.org).

Questions about the scientific organization and program should be addressed to [chep2023-pc-chairs@jlab.org](mailto:chep2023-pc-chairs@jlab.org).

Questions about sponsorship should be addressed to [chep2023-sponsorship@jlab.org](mailto:chep2023-sponsorship@jlab.org).

All other enquiries should be addressed to [chep2023-secretariat@jlab.org](mailto:chep2023-secretariat@jlab.org).

