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To Celebrate
50 Years of Laser Innovation!

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Join the LaserFest Celebration!

Laser technology will continue to make enormous contributions in the years ahead, and 2010 is the time for everyone to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the invention of the very first working laser!

Your organization is invited to take part in a wide range of special events and activities that honor “laser pioneers” and raise public awareness of the importance of science and technology. Ways to get involved include:

- Become a LaserFest Partner
- Add content to your organization’s Web site
- Support a youth education activity
- Host a technical session or public education event
- Sponsor a reception or special event

And so much more... please visit our Web site and contact us to learn how to get involved!

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- IEEE Photonics Society,
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- Optical Society (OSA)

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The LaserFest Web site (www.LaserFest.org) includes educational materials, video clips, a timeline of laser science milestones, profiles of Nobel Prize winners, and much more.

Outreach

LaserFest materials and initiatives raise awareness and honor technical achievement. LaserFest seeks to:

Raise the general public’s awareness of the scientific creative process and the incredible impact that lasers have made on our everyday lives.

Demonstrate and inform students and educators about the importance of scientific and technological innovation, using the laser as a specific example.

Reinforce the importance of funding scientific research and development to legislators, funding agencies and government entities as well as highlight that investment in scientific research and development fuels economic activity.

Honor the accomplishments of scientists, engineers, inventors and entrepreneurs who made possible the discovery, research advances, development and use of the laser.

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