

**// DON'T MISS OUT!**

Register for TAM Today >

Do not wait! Tickets are selling fast and registration prices will increase after March 31. We are expecting over 1,000 attendees again this year and if we fill up will be forced to close registration.

**// PUTTING QUACKS, SCAMS, AND SHAMS ON THE ROPES**

A major motivation for going to TAM is that skeptics care deeply about people and they know that when people believe in nonsense, they often get hurt. **And at TAM 2013 we will explore ways to fight back.** This is central to the mission of the James Randi Educational Foundation— Randi has been fighting the fakers for decades, and the JREF works to continue and expand that impact.

This annual gathering of critical thinkers is an unparalleled opportunity to make like-minded friends, enjoy some of the brightest minds on issues important to us, and leave with tools for spreading a helpful and skeptical message to those who might be hurt by charlatans and unfounded belief.

[Join the more than 1,000 like minded people for four days of fun, fellowship, and critical thinking in Las Vegas!](#)

**// HELP OTHERS ATTEND**

Large conferences like TAM are very expensive to produce, and as a result registration fees may be unaffordable for some, especially students. While JREF offers a discounted registration to students and JREF members (below JREF's actual costs, in some cases), some people may still not be able to afford to attend.

We are happy to announce that due to several generous individuals who have partnered with the JREF to organize various grant programs to help those who need financial assistance to attend The Amazing Meeting 2013, dozens of people will be able to come to TAM this year who otherwise wouldn't be able to attend. These grants apply directly to the TAM registration fee in order to cover full registration. The grants do not cover airfare, hotel, or other expenses, including additional add-on events at TAM.

Here is information about how support this year's grant programs, as well as how to apply:□

Contribute to the the TAM 2013  
Educator Grant Fund >

**TAM Educator Grants.** The Amazing Meeting is a great place for educators to meet and network with other educators, get educational resources (including printed copies of the JREF's education modules for classroom use), pick up tips, and be inspired. Help us inspire and energize educators who want to bring more skepticism and critical thinking into their classroom, by covering all or part of the registration fee for teachers who otherwise would not be able to come to TAM.

[More information on TAM Educator Grants and how to apply can be found here □](#)

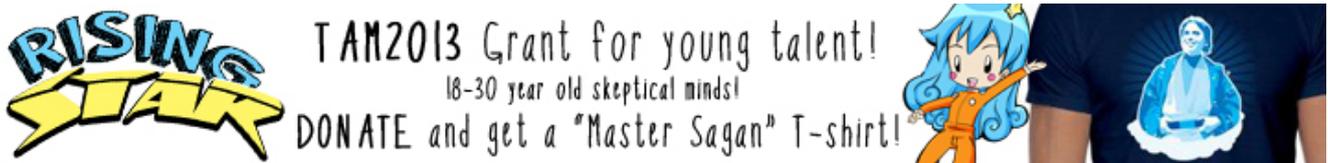
Contribute to the the TAM 2013 JREF  
Forum Grant Fund >

**JREF Forum Grants.** This longstanding grant program is the result of a grassroots effort by several caring members of the JREF Forum online community who didn't want money to be a barrier to those who are passionate about the mission of the JREF. More information on applying can be found on the JREF Forum.

[More information on JREF Forum Grants and how to apply can be found here](#) □

**TAM 2013 Rising Star Grant.** The Rising Star Grant aims to send young adults, ages 18-30, to the Amazing Meeting 2013. The goal of the grant is to find young individuals who have an interest in skepticism and have the potential to contribute new talent to skeptical communities. Grant winners should demonstrate outstanding work in their field and/or talents valuable to the promotion of scientific skepticism.

[More information on Rising Star Grants and how to apply can be found here](#) □



We've heard from countless people what a life changing experience attending TAM can be. Your support of the the JREF Forum Grant program or the Educator Grant program will help give that experience to those who could not otherwise afford to attend. Please support these important efforts today, and see you at TAM 2013!

## // VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

As a small nonprofit, the JREF needs your help to make TAM happen. We are currently seeking volunteers for TAM 2013 to help support the event and keep event staffing costs and other overhead down.

JREF greatly appreciates your volunteer participation, but unfortunately cannot fund any part of your travel, lodging, or conference registration. Volunteers will receive special volunteer t-shirts as well as be treated to a volunteer appreciation luncheon.

Sign up to Volunteer >

Questions can help you make TAM 2013 happen and supporting the JREF's important work!

// **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Following our now ten year tradition, the James Randi Educational Foundation will once again invite proposals for short (15 minute) presentations on the Sunday morning of The Amazing Meeting in July.

The Sunday Morning Papers session of TAM was established to recognize new voices and ideas and shine on them the spotlight of the TAM community. If you have had success in communicating rational skepticism, teaching critical thinking, combating pseudoscience, or furthering the mission of JREF in some new and significant way, we want to hear from you!

Anyone may submit a request to present a paper. If your proposal is accepted you will be allotted 10 to 15 minutes for your presentation and an additional 5 minutes for questions and comments from the audience. Invitations to present will be giving to approximately six proposals. If your proposal is selected for further consideration, a written article and draft of your presentation slides will be required for final consideration.

[More information on the submission process and application forms can be found here](#) □

// **GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!**

TAM has become the largest conference to focus on science, skepticism and critical thinking over the past ten years, and has become the must-go-to event for skeptics and science advocates.

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