



UW Aviation Society – Inaugural Aviation Gala – May 10, 2019

Frequently Asked Questions:

Who is attending?

Approximately 150 guests: UW Aviation Students, Alumni, Industry Partners (Airlines and other Aviation Companies), Flight Instructors, Government Officials, as well as, University and WWFC administration.

Below is a list of some of the distinguished guests that are attending:

Capt. John Craig, Director of Training, **Air Canada**
Capt. Joseph Heins, Boeing 777, **Air Canada**
Capt. Jamie Quong, Standards Pilot, Crew Management, **WestJet**
Capt. Koko Gillis, Chief Pilot, **WestJet**
Capt. Peter Antonucci, Chief Pilot, **WestJet Encore**
Capt. Steve Linthwaite, VP Flight Operations, **Jazz Aviation** (invitation pending)
Christine Stolarz, Line Operations Support Manager, **Jazz Aviation**
Capt. Piyush Gandhi, VP Flight Operations, **Sunwing Airlines** (invitation pending)
Capt. John Hudson, Fleet Manager, **Sunwing Airlines** (invitation pending)
Scott McFadzean, Chief Executive Officer and President, **Diamond Aircraft**
Annemarie Mercedes Heikenwalder, Aircraft Sales Manager, **Diamond Aircraft**
Adriaan Hollestelle, AMO Manager/PRM, **Diamond Aircraft**
Steve Jordon, Senior Regulatory Program Specialist, Aviation Planning, **WSP Canada**
Hon. Marc Garneau, Canadian Minister of Transportation (by video)
Angela Vieth, Acting Mayor of City of Waterloo
Berry Vrbanovic, Mayor the City of Kitchener, (invitation pending)
Bardish Chagger, Member of Parliament for Waterloo (invitation pending)
Dr. Feridun Hamdullahpur, President of the University of Waterloo
Dr. James Rush, Provost and Vice-President of the University of Waterloo
Bob Connors, General Manager, WWFC

*Representatives from **Porter Airlines, Air Georgian, Air Canada Rouge, Ornge, Nav Canada, Wasaya Airways, Bearskin Airlines, Canadian Forces, Executive Aviation, Borek Air, Cargo Jet, Chartright Group**, and others, are also anticipated to attend.*

What is the itinerary for this event?

5:30 – 6:30: Reception

An opportunity to connect with alumni, airlines, and fellow aviation students. Enjoy Hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar will be open for the evening

6:30 – 7:45: Dinner

Enjoy a four course, table service meal. Celebrate the night with fellow aviation students

7:45 – 8:30: Industry Panel

Learn about ways to succeed in the aviation industry from senior pilots, and industry leaders

8:30 – 9:00: Awards

Academics awards will be presented to aviation students recognizing student successes at UW. Student-voted community awards will be presented to students, an instructor, and an alumnus recognizing their contributions to bettering our aviation community

9:00 – 9:20: Alumni Speaker

A former UW Aviation Alumni will speak about their experiences, challenges and lessons learned

9:20: Closing and Celebration

There will be another opportunity for you to celebrate with fellow students and network with industry and alumni as we conclude the main event. All aviation students and alumni are invited to McCabe's Irish Pub & Grill to continue celebrations with friends and colleagues

What type of food am I getting?

The menu for the main meal is posted below (this meal will be served with table service by waiters):

Hor d'oeuvres (Served during the Reception)

Vegetable Mini Samosa
Sargent Farms Tandoori Chicken Satay with Coriander Yogurt
Beef Satay
Assorted Vegetable, Meat and Seafood Canapés on Pumpernickel Rounds

Appetizers (Two Courses)

Spiced Squash Soup
Butternut, acorn and pumpkin squash spiced with cardamom, cinnamon, nutmeg and brown sugar topped with creme fraiche
Grilled Shrimp Salad
Arugula, oak leaf, lollo rosso and micro kale dressed with a lemon vinaigrette and garnished with shrimp, tomatoes and braised potatoes

Entrée

Chicken Picatta with Lemon Caper Sauce
Pan fried chicken breast drizzled with a lemon and caper butter sauce served with garlic mashed potatoes and seasonal vegetables

Dessert

Belgian Truffle Cake
*Served with UW house blend coffee and tea
Gluten-free dessert is available (please let us know in advance)*

PLEASE NOTE: *The menu above is a sample menu, and is subject to change. There will be a vegan meal option available and all dietary restrictions will be accommodated, please let us know in advance!*

Isn't this just another Wings Banquet?

While they may seem similar, the Aviation Gala is a different event, with a different purpose.

Some Key Differences:

1. All University of Waterloo Aviation Students are invited to attend the Aviation Gala. This is a much smaller, more intimate, student run event, focused on student accomplishments, an opportunity for us all, as aviation students, to get together and celebrate a year of hard work, dedication and passion.
2. There will be much more time devoted to networking and connecting with industry leaders, professional pilots, and alumni.
3. The industry panel and alumni speech, will be specifically focused on helping aviation students succeed in the industry, providing real-world career advice and lessons learned.
4. The awards at the Gala will be focused on university academics and aviation community involvement, rather than flying achievements.

Will it actually be fun?

Yes, this is a night for UW Aviation Students to be the focus, to celebrate a year of hard work, dedication, and passion for aviation, together. We will have fun activities throughout the evening with 'most likely to' awards, video montages of some exciting flying that UW students have done throughout the year (send us your pictures and video clips!). We will also continue celebrations with students and alumni only at McCabe's Irish Pub & Grill after the main event.

Is this event only targeted at Upper Years?

No, this event is an opportunity for everyone in the aviation programs, including all first-year aviation students, to celebrate a year of accomplishments together while also networking and connecting with fellow students, alumni and industry. Join us in creating a memorable evening.

Am I allowed to drink at this event?

Yes, there will be two full cash bars (one on each floor, for the reception and the dinner) open throughout the event for you to purchase drinks. We do, however, encourage everyone to drink responsibly throughout the evening. Afterwards, students and alumni are invited to continue celebrations at McCabe's Irish Pub & Grill.

How do I buy my ticket?

Please purchase tickets at: <https://uwaviation.com/gala>. They are very reasonably priced at \$25 for aviation students.

Can I bring a friend?

Yes, each aviation student is welcome to bring a plus one. Please purchase an "Aviation Student + 1" ticket from the website: <https://uwaviation.com/gala>.

Where and when is the event?

At the Engineering 7 Building on Friday, May 10th, at 5:30 P.M.

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