M&M 2023 Booth Application

Minneapolis Convention Center
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Exhibit Dates: July 24 – 27, 2023

INSTRUCTIONS: Please fill out the application, sign, date and return to doreen@corcexpo.com.

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Company Name

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Key Contact Person/Title

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Key Contact Phone Number

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Key Contact E-mail Address

Company Mailing Address

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Street Address

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City/State/Zip

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Company Phone

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Company Fax

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Company Web Address

EXHIBIT SPACE RENTAL:
$3,175 per 10’x10’ (100 sq. ft.) booth
$200 each open corner
$2,100 Tabletop Space*

*Tabletop space is allowed to first time exhibitors only. Only 1 tabletop space per company. All items must be on the tabletop, no floor space is allowed including for storage. Tabletop space comes with 1-6’ draped table; 2-side chairs; carpet. All colors to be determined by M&M.

PAYMENT OF SPACE: A $500 deposit (payable in U.S. funds and drawn on a U.S. bank) per 10’x10’ booth will be due with the application. Balance payments are due on or before March 24, 2023. If reserving a booth after March 24, 2023, 100% of the cost of the booth is due with the application.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations must be received in writing. Any cancellation received on or prior to March 24, 2023, will be refunded less the non-refundable amount of $500 per 10’x10’ (100 sq. ft.) booth. For cancellations received after March 24, 2023 exhibitors are liable for 100% of the cost of booth space.

WE AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE EXPOSITION & WE ACKNOWLEDGE & ACCEPT ALL INDEMNITY, WAIVER & RELEASE PROVISIONS AS STATED IN THE RULES & REGULATIONS AND WHICH ARE A PART OF THIS APPLICATION. ACCEPTANCE OF THIS APPLICATION BY SHOW MANAGEMENT CONSTITUTES A CONTRACT.

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Date

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Authorized Signature

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Title

Questions:
M&M Exhibit Office, Corcoran Expositions, Inc.
Phone: 312-265-9653; Fax: 312-541-0573
E-Mail: info@corcexpo.com

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

BOOTH NUMBER_____________________

SIZE____________________________________
The Microscopy Society of America and the Microanalysis Society herein referred to as M&M, its authorized representatives and Corcoran Expositions, Inc. are hereinafter referred to as “Show Management.”

1. PAYMENT: Applications submitted prior to March 24, 2023, must be accompanied by a deposit payment in the amount of $500 (payable in US funds, drawn on a US bank) per 10’ x 10’ (100 Sq. Ft.) booth space. Applications received without such payment will not be processed nor will space assignment be made. The balance of the space rental charge will become due and payable by March 24, 2023. Applications submitted after March 24, 2023, must be accompanied by payment IN FULL of the space rental charges. Applications received without such payment will not be processed nor will space assignments be made.

2. CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS: Cancellations received on or prior to March 24, 2023, will be refunded less the non-refundable amount of $500 per 100 square feet of exhibit space. For cancellations received after March 24, 2023, exhibitors are liable for 100% of the cost of space. It is expressly agreed by the exhibitor that in the event he fails to pay the space rental at the times specified or fails to comply with any other provisions contained in these rules and regulations concerning his use of exhibit space, Show Management shall have the right to reallocate the booth location shown on the face of the contract or to take possession of said space and lease same, or any part thereof, to such parties and upon such terms and conditions as it may deem proper. In the event of a default by the exhibitor, as set forth in the previous sentence, the exhibitor shall forfeit as liquidated damages, the amount paid by him for his space reservation, regardless of whether or not the Show Management enters into a further lease for the space involved. In case the exposition shall not be held for any reason whatsoever, then, and thereupon the rental and lease of space to the exhibitor shall be terminated. In such case the limit claim for damage and/or compensation by the exhibitor shall be the return to the exhibitor of the pro rata amount already paid for space for this specific event.

3. SPACE RENTAL AND ASSIGNMENT OF LOCATION: Whenever possible, space assignments will be made by Show Management in keeping with the preferences as to location requested by the exhibitor. Show Management, however, reserves the right to make the final determination of all space assignments in the best interest of the exposition. Show Management has the right to require the 2nd company who places themselves next to a competitor to move locations.

4. USE OF SPACE, SUBLETTING OF SPACE: No exhibitor shall assign, sublet, or share the space allotted with another business or company unless approval has been obtained in writing from Show Management. Exhibitors are not permitted to feature names or advertisements of non-exhibiting manufacturers, distributors or agents in the exhibitor’s display, parent or subsidiary companies excepted. Exhibitors must show only goods manufactured or dealt by them in the regular course of business. Should an article of non-exhibiting company be required for operation or demonstration in an exhibitor’s display, identification of such article shall be limited to the usual and regular nameplate, imprint or trademark under which same is sold in the general course of business. No company or organization not assigned exhibit space will be permitted to solicit business within the Exhibit Areas.

5. OPERATION OF DISPLAYS: Show Management reserves the right to restrict the operation of, or evict completely, any exhibit which, in its sole opinion, detracts from the general character of the exposition as a whole. This includes, but is not limited to, an exhibit which, because of noise, flashing lights, method of operation, display of unsuitable material, are determined by Show Management to be objectionable to the successful conduct of the exposition as a whole. Use of so-called “barkers” or “pitchmen” is strictly prohibited. All demonstrations or other promotional activities must be confined to the limits of the exhibit space. Sufficient space must be provided within the exhibit space for the comfort and safety of persons watching demonstrations and other promotional activities. Each exhibitor is responsible for keeping the aisles near its exhibit space free of congestion caused by demonstrations or other promotions.

6. EXHIBITORS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: Each exhibitor must name one person to be his representative in connection with installation, operation and removal of the company’s exhibit. Such representative shall be authorized to enter into such service contracts as may be necessary and for which the exhibitor shall be responsible. The exhibitor shall assume responsibility for such representative in attendance throughout all exposition periods; and this representative shall be responsible for keeping the exhibit neat, manned and orderly at all times. For their own safety and protection, persons under the age of eighteen (18) may not staff the booth or assist in the move-in and/or move-out of any exhibit.

7. INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL: Show Management reserves the right to fix the time for the installation of a booth prior to the Show opening and for its removal after the conclusion of the Show. Installation of all exhibits must be fully completed by the opening time of the exposition. Any space not claimed and occupied three hours prior to opening, may be resold or reassigned without refund. No exhibitor will be allowed to dismantle or repack any part of his exhibit until after the closing of the Show.

8. ARRANGEMENT OF EXHIBITS: Each exhibitor is provided an Official Exhibitor Kit. The Exhibitor Kit describes the type and arrangement of exhibit space and the standard equipment provided by Show Management for booth construction. All booth space must be arranged and constructed in accordance with the guidelines, provisions and limitations contained in the Exhibitor Kit. If, in the sole opinion of Show Management, any exhibit fails to conform to the Exhibitor Kit guidelines, or the provisions set forth herein, such exhibit will be prohibited from functioning at any time during the exposition.
Exhibitor Plan Review: Both construction plans and layout arrangements for first-time exhibitors, exhibits in peninsula or island booth spaces, or involving other unusual construction features, must be submitted for approval at least sixty (60) days prior to the opening of the exposition.

9. EXHIBITS & PUBLIC POLICY: Each exhibitor is charged with knowledge of all laws, ordinances and regulations pertaining to health, fire prevention and public safety, while participating in this exposition. Compliance with such laws is mandatory for all exhibitors and the sole responsibility is that of the exhibitor. Show Management and service contractors have no responsibility pertaining to the compliance with laws as to public policy as far as individual exhibitor’s space, materials and operation is concerned. Should an exhibitor have any questions as to the application of such laws, ordinances and regulations to his exhibit or display, Show Management will endeavor to answer them.

All booth decorations including carpeting must be flame-proofed and all hangings must clear the floor. Electrical wiring must conform with National Electrical Code Safety Rules. If inspection indicates any exhibitor has neglected to comply with these regulations, or otherwise incurs fire hazard, the right is reserved to cancel all or such part of his exhibit as may be irregular and effect the removal of same at exhibitor’s expense. Exhibitors will not be permitted to store behind their booth background any excessive material such as cardboard cartons, literature, etc. Excess supplies must be stored in areas which will be made available for such purpose. If unusual equipment or machinery is to be installed, or if appliances that might come under fire codes are to be used, the exhibitor should communicate with Show Management for information concerning facilities or regulations. Exhibitors must comply with City and State fire regulations. Independent contractors must conform to IAEM, ESCA and ED&PA guidelines: All exhibit labor must comply with established labor jurisdictions.

10. STORAGE OF PACKING CRATES AND BOXES: Exhibitors will not be permitted to store packing crates and boxes in their booths during the exhibit period, but these, when properly marked, will be stored and returned to the booth by service contractors. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to mark and identify his crates. Crates not properly marked or identified may be destroyed. Show Management assumes no responsibility for the contents of crates or boxes improperly labeled as “empty.” Because of the lack of storage facilities, it may be necessary to store empty crates and cartons outside the building. Every effort will be made to protect the crates from the elements, but neither Show Management nor its service contractors will assume any responsibility for damage to them. The removal and return of large crates will be charged at prevailing rates. Crates, boxes or other exhibit materials unclaimed by the exhibitor after the Show will be removed at the exhibitor’s expense. Exhibitors will be billed by Show Contractors for removal time and materials at prevailing rates.

11. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Exhibitor agrees to withhold sponsoring hospitality suites/rooms or other functions during official show activities, including exhibit hours, social functions, educational seminars and any other related activity scheduled by Show Management.

12. LIABILITY AND INSURANCE: All property of the exhibitor remains under his custody and control in transit to and from the exhibit hall and while it is in the confines of the exhibit hall. Neither Show Management, its service contractors, the management of the exhibit hall nor any of the officers, staff members or directors of any of the same are responsible for the safety of the property of exhibitors from theft, damage by fire, accident, vandalism or other causes, and the exhibitor expressly waives and releases any claim or demand he may have against any of them by reason of damage to or loss of property of the exhibitor. It is recommended that exhibitors obtain adequate insurance coverage, at their own expense, for property loss or damage and liability for personal injury.

13. INDEMNIFICATION: Exhibitor agrees that it will indemnify and hold and save Show Management whole and harmless of, from and against all claims, demands, actions, damages, loss, cost, liabilities, expenses and judgments recovered from or asserted against Show Management on account of injury or damage to person or property to the extent that any such damage or injury may be incident to, arise out of, or be caused, either proximately or remotely, wholly or in part, by an act, omission, negligence or misconduct on the part of Exhibitor or any of its agents, servants, employees, contractors, patrons, guests, licensees or invitees of any other person entering upon the Premises leased hereunder with the express or implied invitation or permission of Exhibitor, or when any such injury or damage is the result, proximate or remote, of the violation by Exhibitor or any of its agents, servants, employees, contractors, patrons, guests, licensees or invitees of any law, ordinance or governmental order of any kind, or when any such injury or damage may in any other way arise from or out of the occupancy or use by Exhibitor, its agents, servants, employees, contractors, patrons, guests, licensees or invitees of the Premises leased hereunder. Such indemnification of Show Management by Exhibitor shall be effective unless such damage or injury may result from the sole negligence, gross negligence or willful misconduct of Show Management. Exhibitor covenants and agrees that in case Show Management shall be made a party to any litigation commenced by or against Exhibitor or relating to this lease or the Premises leased hereunder, then Exhibitor shall and will pay all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney’s fees and costs of suit, incurred by or imposed upon Show Management by virtue of any such litigation.

Property Damage: Exhibitor agrees to hold harmless Show Management and all Exhibitors for any loss of or damage to property of the other party hereto, including, but not limited to, loss or damage occasioned by theft, fire, smoke, acts of God, public enemy, riot, civil commotion or other insurable casualty, and Show Management and Exhibitor expressly waive any claim for liability against the other party hereto with respect to any such loss or damage. Accordingly, it shall be the responsibility of Show Management and Exhibitor, respectively, to secure its own insurance or otherwise protect itself and its property against such loss or damage.

WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK & RELEASE: Show Management cannot prevent you from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 or any other communicable disease while attending the exposition. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to exhibit at and attend the exposition you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19 or another communicable disease. We have read and understood the above warning concerning COVID-19 and communicable disease. We hereby choose to accept the risk of contracting COVID-19 for myself and/or my agents and employees in order to exhibit at and attend the exposition. These services are of such value to me that we accept the risk of being exposed to, contracting, and/or spreading COVID-19 or other communicable disease in order to exhibit at and attend the exposition. We hereby forever release and waive my right to bring suit against Show Management and its owners, officers, directors, managers, officials, trustees, agents, employees, or other representatives in connection with exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19 or other communicable disease related attendance at the exhibition. I understand that this waiver means we give up my right to bring any claims including for personal injuries, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, including but not limited to claims of negligence and give up any claim we may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen.

14. CARE OF BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT: Exhibitors or their agents shall not injure or deface any part of the exhibit building, the booths, or booth contents or show equipment and decor. When such damage appears, the exhibitor is liable to the owner of the property so damaged.

15. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: Exhibitors acknowledge their responsibilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act (hereinafter “Act”) to make their booths accessible to handicapped persons. Exhibitor shall also indemnify and hold harmless M&M, Show Management, and facility against cost, expense, liability or damage which may be incident to, arise out of or be caused by Exhibitor’s failure to comply with the Act.
16. OTHER REGULATIONS: Any and all matters not specifically covered by the preceding rules and regulations shall be subject solely to the decision of Show Management.

THE SHOW MANAGEMENT SHALL HAVE FULL POWER TO INTERPRET, AMEND, AND ENFORCE THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS, PROVIDED EXHIBITORS RECEIVE NOTICE OF ANY AMENDMENTS WHEN MADE. EACH EXHIBITOR AND ITS EMPLOYEES AGREES TO ABIDE BY THE FOREGOING RULES AND REGULATIONS AND BY ANY AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS THERETO IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE PRECEDING SENTENCE. EXHIBITORS OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES WHO FAIL TO OBSERVE THESE CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT OR WHO, IN THE OPINION OF SHOW MANAGEMENT, CONDUCT THEMSELVES UNETHICALLY MAY IMMEDIATELY BE DISMISSED FROM THE EXHIBIT AREA WITHOUT REFUND OR OTHER APPEAL.