



# MURIEL STEELE SOCIETY

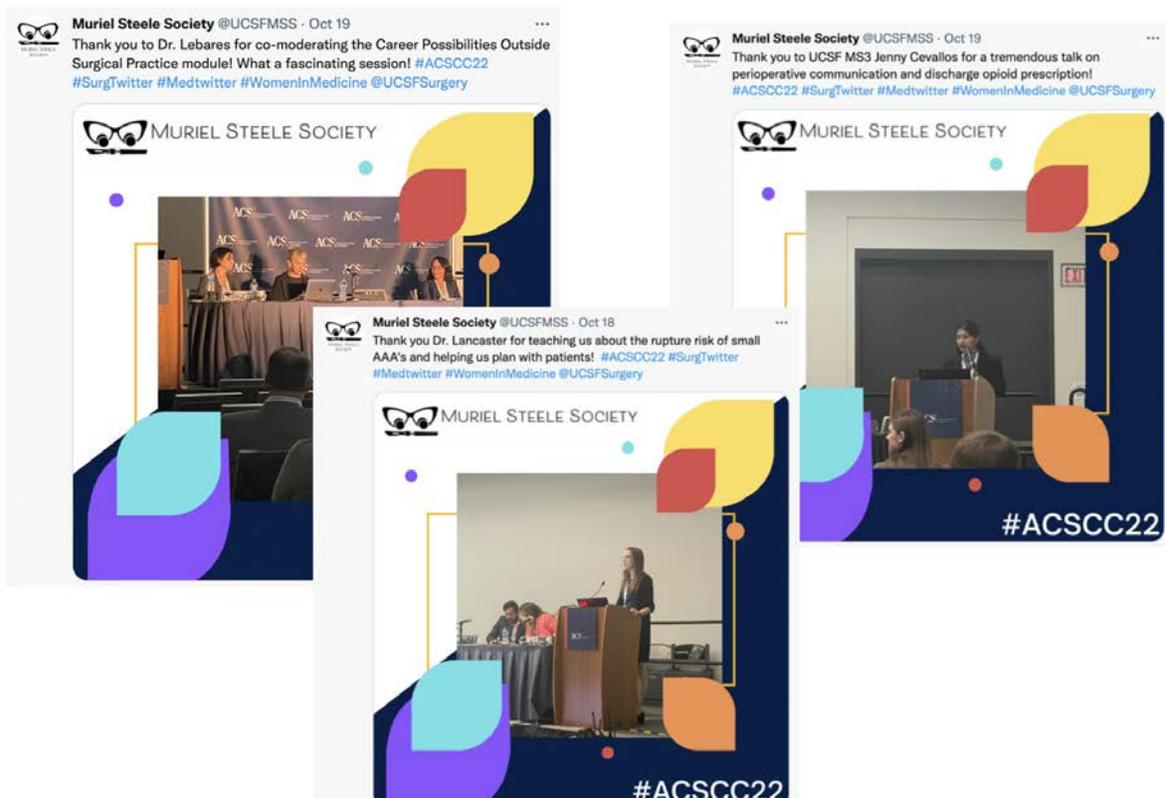
## NOVEMBER 2022 EVENTS AND UPDATES

Dear Muriel Steele Society Members,

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, we wanted to take a moment to thank all the amazing role models that inspire us every day. October was a busy month and we have many accomplishments to celebrate among our MSS members!

Congratulations to all who presented at the **2022 American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress** and the **Association of Women Surgeons Annual Meeting**.

Thank you to Anya Greenberg from our Medical Student Committee for compiling a list of UCSF presentations. Here are just some of the highlights from ACS.





Congratulations to our chair, **Dr. Julie Ann Sosa**, for receiving the 2022 Chancellor Award for Advancement of Women. This award recognizes and honors individuals at UCSF who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and service to the advancement of women beyond the scope of their job, area of research, or training. Check out [this great video](#) about Dr. Sosa's leadership. We congratulate **Dr. Sosa** for being elected as the President of the American Thyroid Association (ATA). The ATA is devoted to scientific inquiry, clinical excellence, public service, patient advocacy, education, worldwide collaboration, and ethical conduct.



**Diane Ngo**, a Program Manager in the Department of Surgery who focuses on Mental Health Awareness, was awarded the 2022 Chancellor Award for Disability Service by Dr. Sam Hawgood. Congratulations, Diane! Watch [this inspiring video](#) about Diane's work and advocacy.



MSS also congratulates **Anya Greenberg, MBA** as a recipient of the UCSF Inaugural Awards for Sub-interns in Surgery in Excellence in Scholarship and Research.



MSS congratulates **Dr. Chelsie Anderson** as the recipient of the 2021-2022 Bridges Curriculum – Foundations 1 and 2 Teaching Awards in the School of Medicine in Excellence in Small Group Instruction by Student Instructor.



Congratulations to **Dr. Ashley Campbell** on winning the 2022 Dr. Patricia Numann Medical Student Award, which encourages and supports an outstanding female medical student who is pursuing a career in surgery.



Congratulations to **Ruth Laverde**, a 4th year medical student, on winning the 2022 Owen H. Wangensteen Scientific Forum Dedication, Excellence in Research, and Resident Research Scholarship.

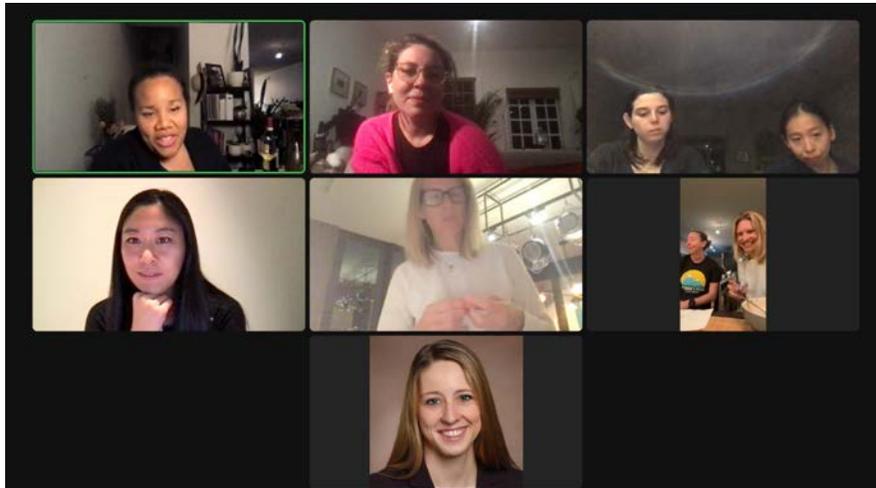
Thank you to medical students **Arushi Gulati, Georgia Kirn, and Katie Barnes** for organizing a fantastic Suturing Potluck for the **MSS Medical Student Committee**. There was a great turnout and the event was super fun!



In October, UCSF became the first institutional member of **The Association of Out Surgeons and Allies (AOSA)**, an organization of LGBTQ+ Surgeons and allies which promotes acceptance, inclusion and equity in the surgical specialties.



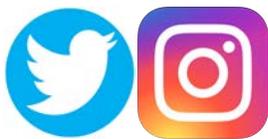
The **MSS Wellness Committee** hosted a virtual wine tasting event on 10/28, which was a lot of fun! Thank you to Dr. Melissa Coleman for providing her expertise. Check out a photo from the event below.



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### **Save The Date**

- **November 7th, 7-8:30 pm - MSS Job Negotiation Panel** hosted by the MSS Mentorship Committee. The event will feature an introduction by Dr. Sosa followed by a round-table discussion in an informal setting where the participants can ask any questions about tricks of the trade in obtaining their first job. Join the Zoom event [here](#).
- **December 1st, 6-8 pm at Parnassus, HSW 300 - Medical Student-Faculty Meet and Greet** hosted by the UCSF Surgery Interest Group (SIG), MSS, and the Vascular Surgery Interest Group (VSIG). Please join us for an opportunity for MS1 and MS2 students interested in surgery to meet faculty and hear about their practice, research, and life as a surgeon. Please email [alexis.colley@ucsf.edu](mailto:alexis.colley@ucsf.edu) for more details or to RSVP.



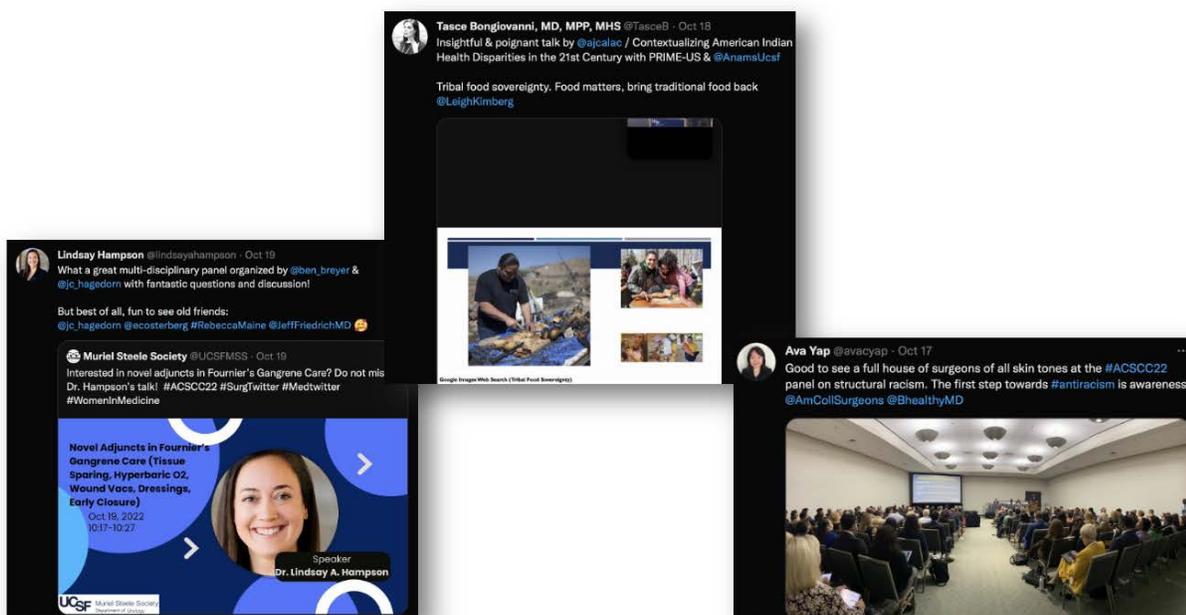
See below for this month's "**From MSS Members**" section. If you have anything you would like to feature (articles, advice, work photos/achievements, family/personal photos/achievements, etc) in this new section of our newsletters, please send an email to [themurielstelesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielstelesociety@ucsf.edu).

Check out our MSS Twitter (@UCSFMSS) and Instagram (@murielstelesociety\_ucsf).

Thanks for reading!  
Your **MSS Communications Committee**

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## From MSS Members



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The Muriel Steele Society is an inclusive community dedicated to inspiring, supporting, and promoting women surgeons so they can thrive at all stages of their careers. We will be hosting events throughout the year to foster a strong community of allies and to achieve the goal of continued excellence at UCSF.

The Muriel Steele Society is dedicated to diversity, equity, and inclusion of colleagues, trainees, and learners at UCSF and beyond, who identify as women, transgender, and

nonbinary in surgical fields. Our overarching goal is to advocate for a culture of belonging - free of bias and discrimination - that is focused on expanding the advancement of all genders and the broader LGBTQ+ community in surgery.

All women surgeons or medical students interested in surgery are included in the society but we recognize that some women may have been inadvertently left out of these emails. Please forward to anyone who you think might like to be included in the MSS. If you are interested in membership, please email us at [themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu).

For more information about the Muriel Steele Society, please visit our [website](#) or follow us on [Twitter](#). See what's coming up next on the [Muriel Steele Society's calendar of events](#).

Have an opportunity or event that you'd like to share with the MSS membership? Email us at [themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu](mailto:themurielsteelesociety@ucsf.edu).

Want to become more involved with the Muriel Steele Society? We especially welcome women in other surgical departments to join our Executive Council! Email co-chairs Mika Varma ([mika.varma@ucsf.edu](mailto:mika.varma@ucsf.edu)) or Lucy Kornblith ([lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu](mailto:lucy.kornblith@ucsf.edu)) for more information.