

Draft Schedule for WeitzFest II

Harvard University

October 3-4, 2026

Day I – Oct 3rd

8:00 - 9:00 – *Check-in and Breakfast*

9:00 - 9:15 – *Opening Remarks*

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9:15 - 10:00 – *Plenary Talk I*

Howard A. Stone (Princeton University)
Modern problems involving viscoelasticity

10:00 - 10:30 – *Coffee Break*

10:30 - 11:30 – *Invited Session I*

10:30 Hee-Sun Han (UIUC)
10:50 Adam Abate (UCSF)
11:10 Karla Milcic (RevivBio)

11:30 am - 12:15 – *Plenary Talk II*

Thomas Knowles (Cambridge University)
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12:15 – 13:30 – *Lunch*

13:30 - 14:30 – *Invited Session II*

13:30 Eric Dufresne (Cornell)
13:50 Suliana Manley (EPFL)
14:10 Clifford Brangwynne (Princeton)

14:40 - 15:00 – *Coffee Break*

15:00 - 15:45 – *Plenary Talk III*

Margaret Gardel (University of Chicago)
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15:45 - 16:45 – *Invited Session III*

15:45 Fred MacKintosh (Rice)
16:05 Arjun Yodh (Penn)
16:25 Frans Spaepen (Harvard)

16:45 *Conclusion of Day I*

Day II – Oct 4th

8:00 - 9:30 – *Check-in and Breakfast*

9:30 - 10:30 – *Invited Session IV*

9:30 Laura Rodríguez Arriaga (Barcelona)

9:50 Connie Chang (Mayo Clinic)

10:10 Anderson Shum (CUHK)

10:30 - 10:50 – *Coffee Break*

10:50 - 11:35 – *Plenary Talk IV*

Paul M. Chaikin (New York University)

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11:35 - 11:50 – *Concluding Remarks*

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11:50 – *Lunch and Departure*