

## Historical Committee Meeting Agenda 135th Convention, New York

Saturday Oct 19, 2:15, Javits Room 1E04

(Note: Underlined text designates links)

### 1. Introduction of Attendees

### 2. Amendments to and Approval of Agenda

### 3. This Convention

Four historical presentations were planned for this convention by Harry Hirsch, Historical Events Chair.  
<http://www.aes.org/events/135/historical/>

### 4. Oral History Project

Irv Joel's great work in creating and developing this project continues to move forward.



Irv interviewed in New York, October, 2011

Five new interviews were planned for recording during this convention, with interviewer Paul Gallo.

Oral History interview sales [AES Historical Committee Web Store](#):

97 interviews are now available for purchase as a DVD, or some as a download.

364 interviews have been sold from the 2008 introduction through Oct 8, 2013.

(We don't have totals sold at conventions, but I believe the numbers are fairly small.)

Harry Hirsch produces two-minute clips of each interview for use in marketing the DVDs, and AES CIO Steve Johnson places these "trailers" on [YouTube](#). Over 120 interviews have been conducted by Irv Joel and others.

The Committee's Technical Advisor John Chester manages our recording equipment, setup, and videography along with the backup archive of our recordings.

Hoover Institution Digital Migration Analyst Jim Sam maintains the master list of completed interviews. See it here: [List of interviewees](#).

Past AES President and New York convention chair Jim Anderson has spent many hours developing 86 fast-paced videos in a series titled, [Learn from Audio Experts](#), extracted from our full-length interviews.

## 5. AES “Afternoon With....” Recordings

Active writer, studio owner, and presenter at this convention [Tom Fine](#) has begun transferring tapes from the Los Angeles Section’s rich archives for access via our web site. See the current recordings here: [Historical Interviews, Talks, and Articles](#)

Historical Committee Co-Chair Bill Wray along with Harry Hirsch are nearly finished with the long-dormant video project, [Afternoon with Jack Mullin](#), recorded at the 85<sup>th</sup> AES Convention, LA, 1988. DVD’s will be available for purchase hopefully soon. A bonus chapter has been added showing Mullin’s presentation at the 8-hour event [A chronology of American Tape Recording](#), recorded in Hollywood, 1994.

## 6. Historical Committee Web Site

JayMcKnight, Historical Committee Chair Emeritus continues his valuable work updating our web site content and answering individual queries to the Committee. A sample of Jay’s recent activity:

Maintenance work on the [Historical Committee home page](#)

Updated the [Online Museums page](#)

Updated the [Committee Activities page](#)

Worked on the [Audio Timeline](#)

Updated AES Journal [Obituaries](#).

## 7. Online “History of the AES” Project

This excellent and important project has been dormant for quite a while. If anyone is interested in picking up the project please read the following reference documents and let us know that you would like to do the research and finish it. These documents need updating:

[Project Definition](#) (Note, the search is now on for documents listed in the appendix)

[History of the AES](#)

[How The AES Began](#)

[60th Anniversary celebration](#)

## 8. Historical Committee Email Reflector

Ongoing. See the guidelines [here](#),

Join our reflector at <http://www.aes.org/aeshc/mail-sub.html>

The reflector continues on the "recordist.com" server, with thanks to David Josephson.

## 9. Volunteers and ideas for projects and events are always welcome.

[Bill Wray](#)

Co-Chair, AES Historical Committee