

August, 2016-Holoknights* capture three major awards at the SPIE Optics + Photonics

The International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE) Optics + Photonics Symposium in held in San Diego in August 2017 presented and unusual opportunity and special occasion for a Holoknight banquet. During the symposium three awards would be captured by Holoknights, the Dennis Gabor award, the Chandra S. Vikram award, and the Rudolf Kenslake award. Eight Holoknights would attend the meeting and be present for the award ceremony.



Sir Mitsuo of Tokyo giving his acceptance speech.



Sir Toyohiko giving his acceptance speech.



In honor of the three Holoknight award winners, Sir Mitsuo of Tokyo, Sir Toyohiko of Utsanmiya, and Sir Peter of Middlefield, Sir Jim of California arranged a special banquet in Old Town at the Guadalajara Restaurant.

We took the tram from the conference center to Old Town and walked through Old Town enjoying the music and shops and on to Casa Guadalajara. <http://www.casaguadalajara.com/> .

The following Holoknights attended the banquet: Sirs Toyohiko+spouse; Mitsuo, Fernando +plus wife and 2, Wolfgang + spouse, Anand + wife, James Wyant+spouse, Jim + wife, Lady Malgorzata, eight holoknights and lots of wives!



Traditional picture by the Old Town cannon.



We had time before dinner to stroll around Old Town, the first settlement in San Diego, now a State Park with period shops and restaurants.

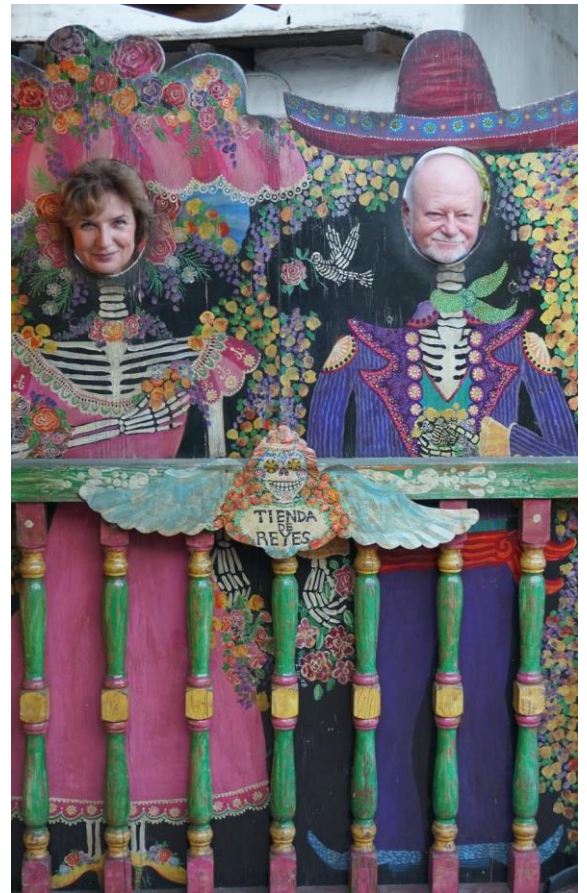




Sir Jim of California negotiating with Sir Wolfgang of Berlin. “I will speak through this tube to make sure you hear the deal, so you must listen at that end”.



Old town features traditional music and dance.



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Traditional Mexican Food-Sir Fernando of Lyon offered advice on choices.

**Note: The International Order of Holoknights is a brotherhood of the top researchers in the field of holography, selected not only for their world wide reputation in holography but also for their reputation for international hospitality. Each year a new Holoknight is chosen by the newest holoknight from a country different from his own, after consultation with other Holoknights. The new candidate is knighted in a special ceremony and is presented with a sword and membership parchment. Although Holoknights have won many awards, they value the sword and parchment among the highest.*