

Joan Wood Lecture Series

Celebrating Women in Science. Showcasing Careers in Biology.

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Fishing, luck, and janitors

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Lecture abstract: Distinguished Professor Strome will discuss her scientific journey to her current position at the University of California Santa Cruz, including the importance of fishing approaches to identifying antibodies and mutants that guided her journey, a few lucky discoveries, and the role of a janitor. Her scientific journey was alongside a family journey with a scientist husband and two scientist children.

The Joan Wood Lecture Series provides a forum for undergraduates to interact with women in science-related careers. Designed to encourage undergraduate women to pursue advanced degrees in science, the series showcases the many career opportunities available to science majors.

Joan Wood, Ph.D., M.D., a medical geneticist, was a strong advocate of women in the sciences. She remained active in educational programs in the IU Department of Biology, where she earned three degrees. Memorial contributions made in her honor helped establish the lecture series.



The Indiana University Department of Biology, a unit of the College of Arts and Sciences, administers the Joan Wood Lecture Series. Visit https://biology.indiana.edu/news-events/named-lectures/wood-lecture-series.html for more information about Dr. Wood and the lecture series or to support the lectures.