COURSE PROGRAM

Friday, December 4, 2026

7:00 AM	*Registration and Continental Breakfast*	
7:50	*Course Webinar Opens*	
8:00	**Welcome and Symposium Overview**	Peter Ganz, MD, FACC
Session: Frontiers in Interventional Cardiology		Chair: Lucas Zier, MD, MS
8:05	**Coronary Drug-coated Balloons — "Leave nothing Behind"**	Krishan Soni, MD, MBA, FACC
8:45	**Advances in Adult Congenital Heart Disease and Why Everyone Should Care**	Huie Lin, MD, PhD
9:25	**Lifetime Management of Aortic Stenosis**	David Wang, MD
10:05	*Coffee Break*	
10:20	**Management of Left Main Disease: PCI vs. CABG**	John MacGregor, MD, PhD, FACC
11:00	**GLP-1 Receptor Agonists: Cardiovascular and Non-Cardiovascular Effects**	Eveline Oestreicher Stock, MD
11:40	*Lunch (Optional Product Theater)*	
1:10 PM	**Management of Thoracic Aortic Aneurysm and Dissection**	Teng C. Lee, MD
Session: Advances in Heart Failure		Chair: Evelyn J. Song, MD
1:50 PM	**Heart Failure Beyond Ejection Fraction: Phenotype-Guided Management**	Evelyn J. Song, MD
2:30	**Pulmonary Hypertension Therapeutics in 2026: New Era Beyond Vasodilation**	Jacqueline DesJardin, MD, MAS
3:10	**Cardiac Amyloidosis in 2026**	Mandar A. Aras, MD, PhD
3:50	*Coffee Break*	
4:05	**Myocarditis: Inflammatory Heart Diseases**	Javid Moslehi, MD
4:45	**Early Recognition of Advanced Heart Failure: When Should I Refer to Advanced Heart Failure Specialist?**	Leila Beach, MD
5:25	*Adjourn*	

Saturday, December 5, 2026

7:30 AM	*Continental Breakfast*	
7:50	*Course Webinar Opens*	
8:00	**Announcements**	Peter Ganz, MD, FACC
Session: Advances and Controversies in Electrophysiology		Chair: Nora Goldschlager, MD, FACC
8:05	**Update on Intra- and Extra-Cardiac Rhythm Devices**	Joshua D. Moss MD, MS, FACC
8:55	**Left Atrial Appendage Occlusion 2026 - is it an Acceptable Alternative to Oral Anticoagulation?**	Thomas A. Dewland, MD

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9:35	**When is it Safe to Discontinue Anticoagulation after AF Ablation?**	Edward P. Gerstenfeld, MD, MS, FACC
10:15	*Coffee Break*	
10:30	**Holiday Heart and Postoperative AF**	Gregory M. Marcus, MD, MAS, FACC
11:10	**Redefining Sudden Death: 15 Years of Continuous Autopsy Surveillance with the POST SCD Study**	Zian H.Tseng, MD, MAS
11:50	**Shared Decision-Making regarding Anticoagulation in AF and regarding Primary Prevention ICDs**	Daniel P. Morin, MD, MPH
12:30 PM	*Lunch (Optional Product Theater)*	
Session: Advances in Preventive Cardiology		Chair: Peter Ganz, MD, FACC
2:00 PM	**Rapaport Keynote Lecture: Applications of Artificial Intelligence to Medicine. Are we there yet?**	Paul A. Friedman, MD
2:50	**What is New in the 2026 Dyslipidemia Guidelines**	Peter Ganz, MD
3:30	**Inherited Basis of Coronary Artery Disease**	Themistocles (Tim) Assimes, MD, PhD
4:10	*Coffee Break*	
4:25	**Nutrition and Cardiovascular Disease**	Jessica N. Holtzman, MD
5:05	**Prevention, Detection, Evaluation, and Management of Cardiovascular-Kidney-Metabolic Syndrome**	Julio A. Lamprea-Montealegre, MD, PhD, MPH
5:45 PM	*Adjourn*	

Sunday, December 6, 2026

7:30 AM	*Continental Breakfast*	
7:50	*Course Webinar Opens*	
8:00	**Announcements**	Peter Ganz, MD
Session: Frontiers in Cardiology		Chair: Peter Ganz, MD
8:05	**Management of Acute Coronary Syndrome. From ED to Discharge**	Jeffrey Zimmet, MD, PhD
8:45	**Evidence-based Management of Carotid Artery Stenosis**	Ahmed A. Naiem, MD
9:25	**Geriatric Cardiology: Useful tips Using the 5Ms Framework**	Margarita Sotelo, MD, MPH
10:05	**Imaging of the Heart. What Modality for which Heart Disease?**	Michael Salerno, MD, PhD
10:45	**Diagnosis and Management of Acute Pulmonary Embolism**	Gregory Piazza, MD, MS
11:25 AM	*Adjourn*	

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