

Pauling Exhibit Covers Lots of Ground
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Pauling family members and colleagues (including five Nobel laureates) gathered tonight with SGI Vice President Hiromasa Ikeda and representative SGI-USA members to preview the exhibition "Linus Pauling and the Twentieth Century." The exhibition will run through Nov. 7 in the Presidio's Herbst International Exhibition Hall.

In a Pauling tribute, Dr. John Byrne, former president of Oregon State University, shared how, at age 16, Pauling dropped out of high school and entered the Oregon Agricultural College (now OSU). He soon started earning A's in all his chemistry and math courses. Amazed, one classmate said, "It just seemed like all he had to do was sit down at a table, look at a book, and he absorbed the knowledge without reading it, without even looking at it."

The rest is history. The exhibition follows Pauling from OSU to Cal Tech; from his first Nobel Prize (chemistry in 1954) to his peace and civil rights activities; from research on sickle cell anemia to the Cold War harassment he received; from a second Nobel (in 1962 for peace) to championing Vitamin C. Whew! This man covered a lot of ground!

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