# 2019 NEBRASKA TOURISM CONFERENCE

**EXPERIENCE NORTH PLATTE'S BRAND OF HOSPITALITY** 



**SPONSORSHIP PACKET** 

SANDHILLS CONVENTION CENTER

NORTH PLATTE OCTOBER 22-24

Nebraska Nebraska



## **2019 Nebraska Tourism Conference**

Tuesday, Oct. 22 – Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019 Sandhills Convention Center in North Platte

The Nebraska Tourism Commission and North Platte Visitors Bureau have collaborated efforts to design an exciting and informative tourism conference for Nebraska's tourism industry professionals.

Conference attendees will have the opportunity to participate in educational sessions that will help them better market their tourism businesses to traveler audiences, design more effective tourism events, improve their management decision making abilities, and much more.

The goal of the 2019 Tourism Conference is to give sponsors the opportunity to network with conference attendees and create key partnerships. Sponsors are encouraged to share new ideas with conference attendees and teach them about new and progressive means of doing business.

Become a valued 2019 Tourism Conference sponsor and be an integral part of the conference's success. As a sponsor, you will be promoting and targeting your product or service to the people who will benefit from it the most while increasing your share of the state's growing tourism market.

Expected Attendance: 225

#### Audience Description:

- Tourism businesses (attractions, lodging facilities, festivals and events, arts, retail stores, golf courses, restaurants, etc.)
- Convention and visitors bureau offices and chambers of commerce
- Tourism related state agencies
- Students and educators

#### Sponsors will:

- Promote your services, products and other offerings directly to tourism industry decision makers
- Meet a number of prospective clients in one place and develop connections in order to generate quality sales leads and partnerships
- Have ample one-on-one time with conference attendees, including five networking breaks, a community event, meals, and evening functions

You will find a sponsorship package that will fit your budget and needs on the following pages. If you have any questions about sponsorship packages or sponsorship benefits please contact:

#### **Callie Austad**

Phone: 402-471-7755

Email: callie.austad@nebraska.gov VisitNebraska.com/Media/Industry

## 2019 CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

#### STANDARD BENEFITS FOR ALL SPONSORS

- Exhibit space including a table and two chairs
- Name on conference website
- Name & contact information in conference program A contact list of conference attendees

## **\$750 Bronze Sponsorship**

- Name on official conference signage
- Name featured in pre-conference emails
- One complimentary attendee full registration

## \$2,000 SILVER SPONSORSHIP

- 1/4 page ad in conference program
- Name on official conference signage
- Name featured in pre-conference emails
- Two complimentary attendee full registrations
- One \$125 additional registration for a person from your company

## \$4,000 GOLD SPONSORSHIP

- Two minute formal presentation time at general session
- 1/2 page ad in conference program
- Name and logo on official conference signage
- Name and logo featured on conference website
- Name and logo featured in pre-conference emails
- Three complimentary attendee full registrations
- One \$125 additional registration for a person from your company

## \$7,000 PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP

- Sponsor either the evening banquet or keynote speaker
- Five minute formal presentation or video at a general session
- Full page advertisement in conference program
- Name and logo on official conference signage
- Name and logo featured on conference website
- Name and logo featured in pre-conference
- Four complimentary attendee full registrations
- Two \$125 additional registration for a person from your company

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-Jane Gustafson, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

## CONFERENCE SPONSOR INFORMATION

### **BOOTH SPACE**

- Booth includes one skirted table and two chairs
- The sponsor area will be located in the North Loup River Room along with the NETA Silent Auction. This is also the location for networking breaks.
- A sign with your company name will designate your booth space
- Sponsors needing electricity will be placed in an area near an electrical outlet. Advanced request required. Please bring your own extension cords.

#### **Shipping Booth Materials**

Items may be shipped to Sandhills Convention Center (2102 S. Jeffers St., North Platte, NE 69101) to arrive by Monday, October 21.

Please mark all materials "2019 Nebraska Tourism Conference Sponsor" and put "Attn: Your booth name."

#### **Exhibit Hours**

Tuesday, October 22 10:00 am - 5:30 pm Wednesday, October 23 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

#### **Booth Setup and Teardown**

Setup

Monday, October 21 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm 7:00 am - 9:00 am Tuesday, October 22

\*\*\* Booths must be set up by 9:30 am.

Teardown

Wednesday, October 23 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM ADS**

Please email completed ads - either jpeg, png or pdf files - to Callie Austad (callie.austad@nebraska.gov) by August 30, 2019.

Full page (platinum) - 7.5" x 10"

½ page (gold) - 7.5" x 4.75"

1/4 page (silver) - 3.5" x 4.75"

### **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

For up-to-date information, visit VisitNebraska.com/Media/Industry

#### Tues., Oct. 22

8:00 am - 5:30 pm 8:00 am - 9:30 am 9:45 am - 11:45 am

10:00 am - 5:30 pm 12:00 am

1:45 pm - 5:15 pm 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

## Weds., Oct. 23

7:30 am - 7:00 pm 7:00 am - 8:00 am 8:15 am - 12:00 am 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm 1:45 pm - 5:15 pm

6:00 pm - 6:50 pm 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

## Thurs., Oct. 24

8:00 am - 10:00 am 10:15 am - 11:15 am Casual Business Attire

Registration Open Association Meetings

Nebraska Tourism Commission Meeting

Exhibit Hall & Silent Auction Open

Conference Begins

Afternoon Breakout Sessions North Platte Showcase Event

#### Casual Business Attire

Registration Open Commissioner's Breakfast Round Table Morning Sessions Lunch/ NTC Marketing Session Afternoon Sessions Celebrate Nebraska Reception

Celebrate Nebraska Awards Banquet

\*Dress Attire

Nebraska Travel Association Meeting **Industry Sidebar Meetings** 

## **HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Call now to make your arrangements.

Ramada By Wyndham North Platte & **Sandhills Convention Center** 2102 South Jeffers Street

Phone: 308-532-9090

North Platte, NE 69101

- Request the "Nebraska Tourism Conference" block when making your reservations.
- Reservations must be booked by Sept. 25, 2019.

#### Conference Rates:

- \$72 per standard room with exterior entrance per night + tax
- \$99 per two-room suite per night + tax

These rates include overnight accommodations and a breakfast buffet in the Riverfront Terrace.

## **SPONSORSHIP FORM**

Please return this completed form along with your total sponsorship/registration fee by August 30, 2019 to: Nebraska Tourism Commission, Attn: Callie Austad, PO Box 98907, Lincoln, NE 68509
Make check payable to "Nebraska Tourism Commission"

<b>CONFERENCE SPONSOR</b>	LEVEL	
□ Platinum □ Gold □ Silver □ Bronze	\$4,000	4 complimentary registrations and full page (7.5" $\times$ 10") ad 3 complimentary registrations and ½ page (7.5" $\times$ 4.75") ad 2 complimentary registrations and ¼ page (3.5" $\times$ 4.75") ad 1 complimentary registration
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Registration covers Tuesday and Wednesday meals, materials, breaks, and activities. It does NOT include lodging. Additional representatives from your organization that are not listed above need to complete a 2019 Nebraska Tourism Conference registration form at VisitNebraska.com/Media/Industry.

