

RETHINKING THE GLOBAL WILDFIRE 'PROBLEM': ARE WE FOCUSING ON THE RIGHT PROBLEMS AND RIGHT SOLUTIONS?

15TH INTERNATIONAL WILDLAND FIRE SAFETY SUMMIT
AND 5TH HUMAN DIMENSIONS CONFERENCE

DECEMBER 10 - 14, 2018 ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA
Presented by INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WILDLAND FIRE

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

We are looking forward to your attendance at the [15th International Wildland Fire Safety Summit and 5th Human Dimensions of Wildland Fire Conference](#).

We are just a little over a week from the start of the conference and we are excited to see you all in Asheville, North Carolina, December 10-14th.

Attached is the Program Schedule. Please note the conference will end around noon on Friday, please plan to stay through the end as we are offering some great sessions on Friday morning.

Mobile Application:

We are excited to announce that we will be offering a mobile app which will include the program schedule and all other activities. This will be in lieu of a printed program booklet. However, printed program schedules will be available. You can also view an interactive program schedule on the [conference webpage](#), click on program.

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1. Download Whova from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Sign up for app with your social media account or email
3. The event invitation code is: **iwfhg**

Conference Venue:

Renaissance Asheville Hotel
31 Woodfin Street
Asheville, North Carolina
Phone: 828-252-8211

[Renaissance Asheville Hotel](#)

If you have any trouble with booking a hotel room, please reach out to us as we do have a few rooms set aside. kim@iawfonline.org

Ground Transportation:

The hotel is 15.7 miles north of the airport, the hotel does not provide complimentary shuttle service. The estimated taxi fare: \$40 USD (one way)

Driving directions:

I-240 East: Take Exit 5A (Merrimon Avenue)
Turn left at the light then left on Woodfin Street
Go 2 blocks, the hotel is on the right

I-240 West: Take Exit 5A (Merrimon Avenue)
Left onto Merrimon.
Turn left at the second light onto Woodfin Street
Go 2 blocks, the hotel is on the right.

Asheville Forecast

Attire:

Business casual attire is appropriate for all conference activities, including the evening events. Hotel conference centers can be cool, so it would be appropriate to have a jacket/sweater for your comfort. Name badges are required for all educational sessions and social functions.

Field Trip and Workshops:

There is still room in the workshops and the field trip. The cost is \$10/workshop and \$35 for the field trip, which includes transportation and lunch. Thank you to the Consortium of Appalachian Fire Managers and Scientists for organizing the trip for us! Email us and we will add it to your current registration. kim@iawfonline.org

Evening Activities:

- Monday - Pre-Conference Gathering at the Renaissance Asheville Hotel - Lobby Bar or Biltmore Candlelight Christmas Tour (pre-registration required by Dec. 1).
- Tuesday – Afterhours Networking at Packs Tavern and/or **Documentary Film: The Culture of Fire**. One of the filmmakers, José Luis Duce Aragüés, will be in attendance to introduce the film and answer questions.
- Wednesday – Enjoy downtown Asheville
- Thursday – Afterhours Networking at Lexington Avenue Brewery (LAB) or Biltmore Candlelight Christmas Tour (pre-registration required by Dec. 1).

If you have never been to the [Biltmore Estate](#), we strongly encourage you to find a time to go during the week. During Christmastime you cannot just go without reservations. We have partnered with Accents on Asheville to go as a group on

Monday or Thursday Evening or Wednesday Afternoon. Pre-registered is required, please complete the attached form and return.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

We look forward to seeing you in Asheville.

Thank you,
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Stay Connected



#RethinkingWildfire- Be sure to share your twitter handle with us at the conference!

Thank you,
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