

CAZA 2024
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Schedule at a Glance

TUESDAY OCTOBER 15

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Commission Meetings (closed doors) Spadina Boardroom, Delta Bessborough Hotel
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Board of Directors Lunch Meeting (closed doors) Spadina Boardroom, Delta Bessborough Hotel
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	CAZA Conference Registration Opens Meewasin Room, Delta Bessborough Hotel
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Board of Directors Training Session (closed doors) Spadina Boardroom, Delta Bessborough Hotel
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Institutional Directors Group Dinner (closed doors) Let's re-group for dinner Meet us at the lobby of Delta Bessborough Hotel

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Light Breakfast Terrace Lounge, Delta Bessborough Hotel
8:30 AM - 8:00 PM	Conference Registration Opens Entrance William Pascoe Board Room, Delta Bessborough Hotel
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	Transportation From Main Entrance of Delta Bessborough Hotel transit to Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo (Bus departs at 9:30 a.m.)
10:00 AM - 12:45 PM	Zoo Day - VIP Tour Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo
12:45 PM - 2:00 PM	Lunch Superintendent Residence on premises of Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo
2:15 PM - 2:45 PM	Transportation from Saskatoon Zoo to Hotel Main Entrance of Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo (Bus departs at 2:30 p.m.)
3:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Relax, Recharge, and Refresh
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Icebreaker - Meet & Greet Cocktails Hudsons Canadian Tap House Lounge
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Pre-Conference Team Building Dinner (We're Goin' Dutch) Hudsons Canadian Tap House Lounge
4:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Setup William Pascoe Foyer, Delta Bessborough Hotel



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THURSDAY OCTOBER 17

7:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Opens William Pascoe Foyer, Delta Bessborough Hotel
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast Battleford Room, Delta Bessborough Hotel
8:45 AM	Opening of the Conference and Welcoming Remarks Jeff Mitchell, Zoo Manager, Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo Battleford Boardroom, Delta Bessborough Hotel
9:00 AM - 9:35 AM	World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA) Sustainability Strategy Keynote Speaker - Martin Zordan, CEO, WAZA
9:35 AM - 9:55 AM	Building Sustainable Organizations Keynote Speaker - Marc Valois, Principal and Senior Consultant Intersol Group Limited
9:55 AM - 10:20 AM	Assessing Climate Related Risks Fireside Chat Session Connor Yeo, Insurance Advisor, HK Henderson
10:20 AM - 10:35 AM	Health Break
10:35 AM - 11:20 AM	Sustainability in the Aquarium World Panel with Q&A Quebec Aquarium, Ripley's Aquarium, Vancouver Aquarium
11:20 AM - 11:40 AM	Collaborating with Zoos to Protect Animal and Human Health From Emerging Viruses Angela Rasmussen, Research Scientist VIDO University of Saskatchewan
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM	Watcha Doin' with your Trash? Joanne Fedyk, Executive Director Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Buffet Lunch
1:00 PM - 1:20 PM	Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in Canada and Around the World Clarice Lulai-Angi, Director, Animal Health Science Division at Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
1:20 PM - 1:50 PM	Crocodylian Welfare Using a One-Welfare Approach Madeline Winans, Animal Welfare Committee Member for the Zoological Association of America and Research & Administrative Coordinator for the One Welfare & Sustainability Center (OWSC), Ohio State
1:50 PM - 2:10 PM	Small Species, Big Impact - Powering Conservation through Collaboration Andrea Gielens, Wildlife Biologist, Greater Vancouver Zoo
2:10 PM - 2:30 PM	Government Relations and Advocacy Overview Wes MacLean, Capital Hill Group
2:30 PM - 2:50 PM	The Need for a National Attraction Voice Fireside Chat Session Troy Young, CEO, Canadian Attractions Network (CAN)
2:50 PM - 3:50 PM	Inspectors Training - Workshop Dean Treichel, Accreditation Manager, CAZA National Office
End of Day 1 Conference	
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Its Cocktails in the Exhibit Hall William Pascoe Foyer, Delta Bessborough Hotel
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Transportation From Delta Bessborough Hotel to LB Distillery (Bus departs at 4:30 p.m.)
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	LB Distillery Tour
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Team Building Cocktails and Dinner LB Distillery
8:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Transportation From LB Distillery to Delta Bessborough Hotel (Bus departs at 8:30 p.m.)



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FRIDAY OCTOBER 18

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Exhibit Hall William Pascoe Foyer, Delta Bessborough Hotel
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast Battleford Room, Delta Bessborough Hotel
8:30 AM	Opening of Conference Day 2
8:45 AM - 9:15 AM	Rekindling Energy: Driving Sustainable Change Through People Keynote Speaker Melissa Schenk, CEO & Executive Producer, MS2 Productions
9:15 AM - 10:00 AM	Biobanking Roger Bull, Head of Operations, Molecular Biodiversity Program Canadian Museum of Nature & Dr. Amy Chabot, Research and Conservation Program's Coordinator, African Lion Safari
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Contemporary Evolution in Zoos and Conservation Breeding Programs Drew Sauve, Manager - Conservation and Research, African Lion Safari
10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	Health Break
10:30 AM - 10:50 AM	Technology and Education in Zoos and Aquariums Rod Findley, President and CEO, Immotion
10:50 AM - 11:25 AM	Eco-Friendly Operations: How Zoos and Aquariums Lead the Way Panel with Q&A Science North, Zoo Sauvage of St. Felicien, Marine Life at WEM
11:25 AM - 11:55 AM	Footfall Traps: A New Frontier in Wildlife Monitoring Benjamin Blackledge, MSc in Wildlife Biology and Conservation, Edinburgh Napier University
11:55 AM - 12:10 AM	Let's Talk: Sustainable Partnerships with your Local Post Secondary Trades Programs Tracey Reynolds, Animal Care Manager, BC Wildlife Park & Jeff Mitchel, Zoo Manager, Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo
12:10 PM - 1:00 PM	Buffet Lunch
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Animal Welfare Amelia MacRae, Animal Welfare Scientist University of British Columbia
1:30 PM - 1:55 PM	Bridging the Gap: How Animal Experts and Interns Can Shape the Future of Conservation! CS Wurzberger, Director, Awesome Animal Academy
1:55 PM - 2:10 PM	A Safe Haven in the Prairies Megan Whyte, Duty Manager, Marine Life at West Edmonton Mall
2:10 PM - 2:25 PM	Interdisciplinary Studies Between Artifact Conservation-Restoration and Biology Experts Marco Salgado Chable, BSc. Student of Art Conservation and Restoration
2:25 PM - 2:45 PM	CAZA Conservation and Education Committees
2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Health Break
3:00 PM - 3:10 PM	Accessibility in Saskatoon Zoo Jeff Mitchell, Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo
3:10 PM - 3:30 PM	Government Relations and Advocacy Overview Wes MacLean, Capital Hill Group
3:30 PM - 3:45 PM	CAZA Accreditation Update and What's Next! Dean Treichel, Accreditation Manager, CAZA National Office
3:45 PM - 3:55 PM	Closing Remarks Clint Wright, Executive Director and CEO, Vancouver Aquarium and Chair of CAZA Board of Directors
3:55 PM - 4:00 PM	Video - CAZA's 2025 50th Anniversary!!!
End of Day 2 Conference	
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM	Cocktail Reception William Pascoe Foyer, Delta Bessborough Hotel
6:30 PM - 7:15 PM	Red Carpet Awards of Excellence Ceremony William Pascoe Room, Delta Bessborough Hotel
7:15 PM - 8:30 PM	Awards of Excellence Dinner
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Evening Entertainment (Cash Bar)

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SATURDAY OCTOBER 19

Post Conference Activities

[Saskatoon - Western Development Museum \(wdm.ca\)](http://wdm.ca)

[The Canadian Light Source \(CLS\)](#)

[Trails | Wanuskewin](#)

[University of Saskatchewan](#)

[Ukrainian Museum of Canada](#)

[Meewasin Valley](#)

[Art Gallery Remai Modern](#)

[Escape Manor](#)