

# CONVENTION PREVIEW

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CONVENTION



THE WORLD'S  
GATHERING PLACE  
FOR ADVANCING  
CONCRETE

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# About the ACI Concrete Convention

The ACI Concrete Convention is the world's gathering place for advancing concrete materials, design, construction, and repair, bringing together the world's most well-known leaders with professionals looking to learn. Conventions provide a forum for networking and education and an opportunity to provide input on the concrete industry's codes, specifications, and guides.

Committees meet to develop the standards, reports, and other documents necessary to keep up with the ever-changing world of concrete technology. Committee meetings are open to all registered convention attendees.

Technical and educational sessions provide attendees with the latest research, case studies, best practices, and the opportunity to earn Professional Development Hours (PDHs).

Additionally, Convention offers numerous networking events where you can expect to meet with many of the industry's top engineers, architects, contractors, educators, manufacturers, and material representatives from around the world.

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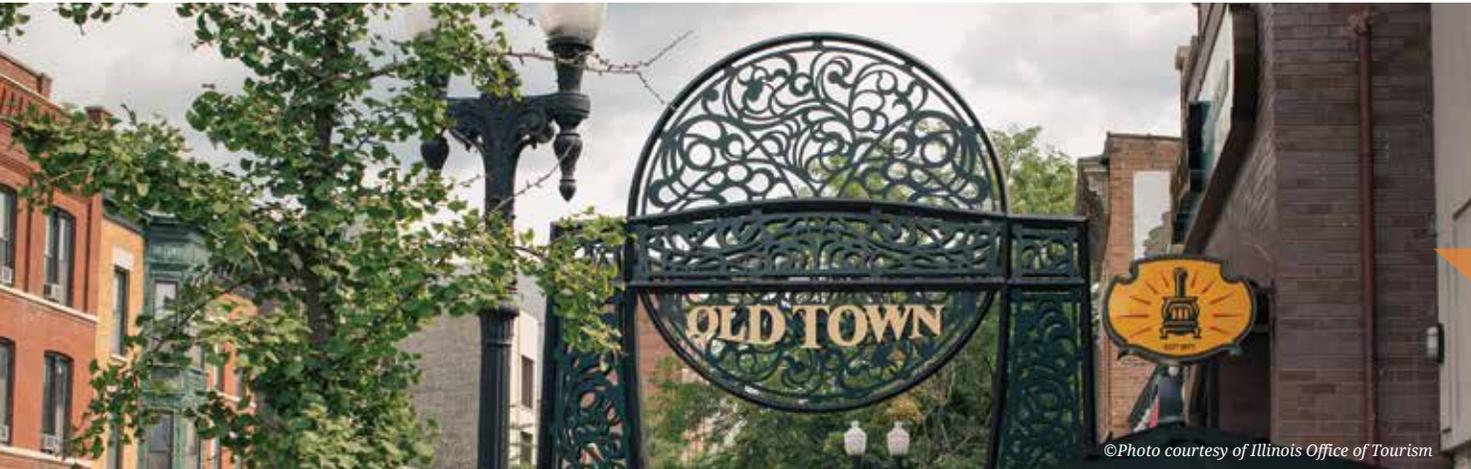
7:00 am – 9:00 pm	Committee Meetings
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	ACI Registration, ACI Cyber Café & Meeting Spot and ACI Store
8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Student Networking Reception

## Sunday, March 29, 2020

7:00 am – 5:30 pm	Committee Meetings
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	ACI Registration
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Convention Orientation Breakfast
8:00 am – 10:00 am	Sessions
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Exhibits, ACI Cyber Café & Meeting Spot, and ACI Store
9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Student Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Bowling Ball Competition

9:30 am – 11:00 am	ACI International Forum
10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Sessions
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	✓International Lunch—Speaker: Erleen Hatfield
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Sessions
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5:45 pm – 7:00 pm	Opening Session and Keynote Presentation
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Opening Reception and Awards Recognition
8:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Young Professional Networking Event
8:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Hot Topic Session

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**Monday, March 30, 2020**

6:30 am – 8:00 am	Workshop for Technical Committee Chairs <i>(by invitation only)</i>
7:00 am – 8:30 am	Speaker Development Breakfast
7:00 am – 7:00 pm	Committee Meetings
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	ACI Registration
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Exhibits, ACI Cyber Café & Meeting Spot, and ACI Store
8:30 am – 10:30 am	Sessions
10:30 am – 11:30 am	ACI Student Forum
11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Sessions
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	✓Student Lunch—Speaker: David Lange
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Sessions
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Sessions
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Women in ACI Reception
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	123 Forum

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7:00 am – 6:00 pm	Committee Meetings
7:30 am – 5:00 pm	ACI Registration
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Exhibits, ACI Cyber Café and Meeting Spot, & ACI Store
8:30 am – 10:30 am	Sessions
8:45 am – 11:45 am	✓Technical Tour of WJE's Janney Technical Center
11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Sessions
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	✓Contractors' Day Lunch— Speaker: Jon Feld
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Sessions
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Sessions
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Faculty Network Reception
6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Concrete Mixer



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## Wednesday, April 1, 2020

- 7:00 am – 6:00 pm ✓ACI Certification Exams  
8:00 am – 12:00 pm ACI Registration, ACI Cyber Café & Meeting Spot, and ACI Store  
8:30 am – 10:30 am Sessions  
8:00 am – 6:00 pm Committee Meetings  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm Sessions  
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm Sessions  
6:30 pm – 8:00 pm President's Reception

## Thursday, April 2, 2020

- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Board of Direction Meeting

### CEU/PDH Tracking for Sessions

To earn CEUs/PDHs during a participating session or mini session, record the code given out during the session and submit it online to receive a certificate. In most cases, one contact hour is equal to one Professional Development Hour (PDH). Check with your state board for acceptance criteria.

Visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org)  
for the latest Schedule of Events and updates.



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### **Student Networking Reception**

**8:00 pm – 9:30 pm**

The ACI Student and Young Professional Activities Committee (SYPAC) invites all students, faculty advisors, and mentors to the Student Networking Reception. This casual and fun environment is an opportunity to engage with future concrete professionals and professors. Students will participate in games to win door prizes. In addition, food and beverages will be provided for free on a first-come, first-served basis.

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### **Student Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Bowling Ball Competition**

**9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

Students will eagerly form and construct fiber-reinforced bowling balls, hoping that they don't strike out in competition against their peers. All will enjoy seeing the students knock down pins with their concrete bowling balls prior to loading their balls within an inch of failure. Student teams from around the world will be testing their mettle not only against each other but also against themselves,

having predicted their performance in each evaluation category weeks before the competition. Testing will be performed in groups throughout the day, so be sure to swing by and join in the excitement. Testing device provided by Forney, L.P. For more information on the competition and how to register, please visit [www.concrete.org/students/studentcompetitions](http://www.concrete.org/students/studentcompetitions).



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## ✓International Lunch

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

\$40 U.S. per person



**Speaker:** Erleen Hatfield

**Title:** High-Performing Buildings with Sustainable Concrete

Erleen Hatfield is the Managing Partner of the Hatfield Group. She has over 25 years of experience in the design of complex structures worldwide. Hatfield's

International Lunch presentation title is "High-Performing Buildings with Sustainable Concrete".

The theme builds on the use of concrete in sustainable construction, including the new Atlanta stadium, academic buildings, and high-rise construction.

Sustainable and meaningful best practices in concrete construction will be shared. Also, through the use of case studies, the role of technology (BIM) in design will be presented and how it can be beneficial to project stakeholders and sustainability goals.

Additional information on the International Lunch can be found at [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

## Opening Session and Keynote Presentation

5:45 pm – 7:00 pm

The Opening Session is the official start to the ACI Concrete Convention and will begin with a welcome address by ACI President Randall Poston. Next, the emcee for the night will recognize new Honorary Members, Fellows, and 50-Year Members for their contributions to the concrete industry. The Opening Session will conclude with a keynote presentation. For information on the Opening Session and the keynote presentation, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

## Opening Reception and Awards Recognition

Approx. 7:00 pm

Immediately following the Opening Session, attendees are invited to the exhibit hall for this evening reception. Congratulate ACI Awardees, reunite with colleagues, network with new acquaintances, and learn about the products and services offered by the exhibitors. A cash bar and light refreshments will be available.



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### Young Professional Networking Event

8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

SYPAC (Student and Young Professionals Activities Committee) invites all graduate students, young professionals, and mentors to a casual networking exchange following the Opening Reception. Attendees will establish connections with fellow young members. Bring your business card for a chance to win door prizes.



Monday, March 30, 2020

### ✓ Student Lunch

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

**\$61 U.S. per person; FREE to students who preregister by 2/23/2020**

Sponsored by Baker Concrete Construction



**Speaker:** David Lange  
**Title:** In Search of Eureka

Join students and other ACI attendees for the Student Lunch with featured speaker David Lange. Lange’s keynote emphasizes that concrete is not a simple commodity material, but rather a complex one that demands the best students to enter the profession to keep the technology current. Research of concrete aims for “Eureka” moments that startle us, surprise us, amaze us. Those eureka moments represent leaps of progress. Incremental research is the opposite — a plodding, uninspiring approach— that may give us more information but does not do much to lift the human spirit. All are welcome to register for the lunch. Following the lecture, the results of the student competition will be announced. For additional information on the Student Lunch, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

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✓ **Technical Tour of WJE's Janney Technical Center**

8:45 am – 11:45 am

**\$20 U.S. per person and all proceeds will go to the Illinois Chapter – ACI.**

Register to attend a technical tour of the Janney Technical Center (JTC), the new 70,000 ft<sup>2</sup> state-of-the-art testing and applied research facility of Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates (WJE). The technical tour will provide learning opportunities for attendees including innovations in the concrete industry and forensic techniques used to solve the most technically challenging problems related to structures, construction materials, and manufactured components. The tour of the facility will include technical demonstrations in JTC's structural testing, chemistry, petrography, metallurgy/applied mechanics, concrete, and corrosion laboratories. Please wear closed-toe shoes for the tour; safety glasses will be provided.



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✓ **Contractors' Day Lunch**

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

\$62 U.S. per person



**Speaker:** Jon Feld

**Title:** Keep it Cool – How to Make Sure Your Next Mass Concrete Project Will Be Successful

Join other ACI attendees and contractors for the Contractors' Day Lunch. Enjoy a special presentation by Jon Feld.

During this presentation, attendees will receive a thorough understanding of mass concrete in bridges, buildings and other modern facilities and infrastructure. The fundamentals of mass concrete thermal technologies will be discussed, including the purposes of limiting maximum concrete temperatures and temperature difference limits, current industry practice, specification requirements, and resources available to contractors. Furthermore, ins and outs of thermal control plans, such as the use of surface insulation, cooling pipes, and engineered temperature difference limits will be addressed, as well as appropriate concrete mixture proportioning strategies for mass concrete placements.

For additional information on the Contractors' Day Lunch, the speaker, and the topic, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

## Tuesday, March 31, 2020

### Concrete Mixer at Joe's Live & Bub City 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Join ACI attendees and guests for an evening of networking, entertainment, and great food during the Concrete Mixer, held at Joe's Live & Bub City. An assortment of food and beverages will be available. Transportation will depart from the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Chicago Hotel beginning at 5:45pm. The last bus will depart from Joe's Live & Bub City at 9:00pm. After 9:00pm, attendees will be on their own for transportation.



## Wednesday, April 1, 2020

### ✓ACI Certification Exams 7:00 am – 6:00 pm

**\$299 U.S. per person**

ACI Certification will host four of its inspector-focused exams on Wednesday, April 1, 2020, at the ACI Concrete Convention in Rosemont/Chicago, IL. Get certified at Convention as a Post-Installed Concrete Anchor Installation Inspector; Concrete Construction Special Inspector; Concrete Transportation Construction Inspector; or Concrete Quality Technical Manager.

### President's Reception 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

ACI President Randall Poston invites all convention attendees to the President's Reception, where you'll have the opportunity to network with committee Chairs, chapter Presidents, and international attendees. An assortment of food and beverages will be available.



## Exhibitors

ACI would like to thank the following exhibitors for their support of and participation in the ACI Concrete Convention. (Listed as of 11/25/2019)



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## Sponsors

Sponsorship investments help make the ACI Concrete Convention possible, providing a place for industry professionals to advance their knowledge of concrete.

ACI would like to thank the following organizations for their donations. (Listed as of 11/25/2019)

Concrete (\$15,000+)



Admixture (\$5000)



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Coarse Aggregate (\$2500)



Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.

## Networking

The exhibit area is the central meeting spot for Convention, a great place to get to know exhibitors, meet up with colleagues, or introduce yourself to someone new. Additionally, the Opening Reception will take place in the exhibit hall on Sunday evening.

## ACI Store

Visit the ACI Store, the official location for ACI merchandise. Browse standards, technical documents, and other resources as well as ACI apparel. When you visit the ACI Store, you will receive 10% off ACI publications. The ACI Store is also a good source for additional information on ACI services such as ACI University and the ACI Foundation.

## Cyber Café

Located in the Exhibit Hall, the Cyber Café is the perfect place for attendees to stay connected to work and home. Use the computers to browse the web, print on demand, or catch up on e-mail!

## Exhibitor Demonstrations

On Monday and Tuesday, stop by the exhibitor demonstration area to learn more about the products and services offered by our exhibitors.

## Daily Refreshments

Stop by the exhibit area in the morning and afternoon to enjoy a complimentary beverage break.



## Not yet an exhibitor?

Exhibiting at Convention is a great opportunity to showcase your products and services while also networking with leaders in the concrete industry. ACI seeks to provide exhibitors with a venue and atmosphere that will maximize visibility and marketing potential and has specifically designed the exhibit area with that in mind.

Booth rates are \$2000 for a 10 x 10 ft space and include up to two exhibitor registrations, giving you access to the exhibit area; technical sessions; committee meetings; networking events; and exposure in event publications, on the ACI website, and on signage during Convention.

## Become a Sponsor

Your donation is essential in the success of Convention as well as the development of our industry, which occurs as a direct result of Convention. In return for your generous support, your company name will appear in a variety of promotional materials to include items such as the convention program and a PowerPoint presentation that will be played during prime convention functions. For a complete listing of sponsorship levels and sponsorship opportunities, visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

For more information on exhibiting at Convention or becoming a sponsor, please contact:

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### Official ACI Hotel

The Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel is the official headquarter hotel for the ACI Concrete Convention. All convention events will take place at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel.

Hotel	Rate
Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel	\$214.00 + tax

*\*Rates are based on single or double occupancy.*

To reserve your sleeping room at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org). Reservations can also be made over the phone by calling +1.888.421.1442 and referencing the American Concrete Institute.

### Government Rooms

ACI has a small block of government rate rooms at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel. To book a room, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

### Reservation Cutoff

The Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel reservation cutoff is **Tuesday, February 18, 2020**. The convention rate is first-come, first-served, and based on availability. For additional information on hotel amenities and policies, please visit [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

Hotel contracts require ACI to be financially liable for unused sleeping rooms. The sleeping room rate covers the cost of meeting space and the labor to set up each meeting room. Staying at the convention hotel also provides you with the benefit of after-hours networking and easy accessibility to meetings and sessions. Please help ACI avoid unnecessary penalties and keep registration fees low by booking your sleeping room at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare Chicago Hotel.



Register before February 23, 2020, to take advantage of reduced registration fees!

## How to Register

To register for the ACI Concrete Convention, please visit the Convention website ([www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org)).

## Registration Fees

Registration Type	Through 2/23/20	After 2/23/20
Member	\$649	\$749
Nonmember	\$849	\$949
1-Day Member	\$329	\$449
1-Day Nonmember	\$429	\$579
Guest	\$100	\$100
Student	\$20	\$30

Registration fees cover the cost of meeting room rental, audio-visual equipment, coffee breaks, cyber café and wireless hot spot equipment and fees, signs, pre-convention and on-site materials, and registration staff.

## Guest Registration

To process a guest registration, ACI must receive the registration form of the convention attendee along with the guest registration. The guest registration fee includes Guest Hospitality Sunday through Wednesday and attendance at the Opening Reception, Concrete Mixer, and President's Reception. Please note, there will no longer be a Guest Social on Monday afternoon. A daily breakfast enhancement has been added to the Guest Hospitality in its place. **Guest Registration does NOT include attendance to any of the technical**

**sessions or committee meetings.** More information on guest activities can be found at [www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org).

## Student Registration

Attention Students! To qualify for the student rate, you must be a current ACI student member. All students who are not current members of ACI will need to apply for FREE student membership at [www.concrete.org/Membership/StudentMembership](http://www.concrete.org/Membership/StudentMembership). You cannot register as a student until your student membership has been processed. **Preregistration is strongly encouraged!**

## Stay Connected

### ACI Online

[www.aciconvention.org](http://www.aciconvention.org) is now mobile-optimized, giving you access to the Meeting Schedule, My Schedule, Sessions, and Future Conventions from virtually anywhere.

### ACI Social Media



Follow the ACI Concrete Convention on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter with #aciconvention.



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