



2012 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
July 18-21, 2012 – Rapid City, South Dakota

Registration for the ABANA 2012 Conference is now open! Use this form or call 423-913-1022 to register. Full conference registration is \$225 for current ABANA members. Nonmember registration is \$275.

Name: _____ ABANA ID # _____
 Business Name (optional) _____
 Street: _____
 City: _____ State/Prov: _____
 Zip/Postal Code: _____ Country _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail (confirmation only) _____

2012 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (PER PERSON): \$275-NON MEMBER, \$225-MEMBER

Family Conference Passes: *Allows family members to accompany a full conference registrant at a much-reduced rate. A family is defined as a head-of-household plus his/her partner living at the same address and their children from age 12 to 17. Children under 12 are free!* \$ _____

NAME OF FAMILY MEMBER: _____ (\$25 EACH) \$ _____
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Conference Day Passes: *Good for all activities on a specific day. ABANA membership not required. Color-coded passes at \$75 per day will be available at the Registration Desk.*

Total Price includes Saturday Evening Dinner

TOTAL	\$ _____
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK REQUIRED
 Each Person will be required to sign an Acknowledge and Assumption of Risk in order to be admitted to the Conference (including minors through a parent or guardian).
I acknowledge that blacksmithing and related activities are inherently dangerous and involve risks and dangers to participants and spectators that may result in serious injury or death. In deciding to attend the ABANA 2012 Conference, I have considered these risks and I knowingly assume them. I agree that I am responsible for my own safety during the Conference, including wearing appropriate clothing and protective gear and remaining a safe distance from all dangerous activities. I agree to hold ABANA, Central States Fairgrounds, and others involved in the Conference harmless from liability and expenses arising from my own actions or omissions. I agree that my admission to the Conference constitutes consideration for this acknowledgment.

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

EVERY REGISTRANT MUST SIGN THIS FORM!

Credit card orders (Visa/MC/Disc) can be faxed or mailed; be sure to sign this form. Fax: 423-913-1023

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Card Number						Expiration Date	CVVS

2012 ABANA Conference in Rapid City, South Dakota


The ABANA 2012 Conference in South Dakota is a **"MUST-SEE"** event and will include:

Top Demonstrators	Business Card Exchange	Saturday Evening Dinner
Lectures & Workshops	Portfolio Display Area	Tailgate Sales
3-Day Iron Smelt	Iron-in-the-Hat	Blacksmith Vendors
Poster Displays	Saturday Auction	Open-to-the-Public Gallery
	Family Programs	


Where to Stay

Camping at the Central States Fairgrounds is "First Come – First Served". Call 605-355-3861 for details and/or reservations. **All hotels charge an 8.5% tax plus \$2 per night fee.** See the information sheet for more details. The School of Mines has available dorm rooms with meal plans.

Tailgating Information

Tailgating is free for registered attendees. **Tailgaters MUST have a "Tailgater's" Entry Pass** to enter the tailgating area. Tailgaters are responsible for paying South Dakota 7.5% sales tax on all items sold. Check here to receive your tailgating package.  Space is limited!

Vendor Information

Vendor registration fees are \$275 (for one table, 2 chairs, pipe & drape) until May 23, 2012. Packages received after that date will be \$375. Spaces are available inside or outside. Additional costs for electricity, tables and chairs as required. A 7.5% sales tax must be collected on all sales. Check here to receive your vendor package. 

Cancellation Policy for all Conference Registration Fees

By registering for the ABANA Conference, you accept this cancellation policy and agree to be bound by its terms. Notification of cancellations for refunds must be submitted in writing to the ABANA Central Office postmarked or e-mailed by June 20, 2012. No cancellations will be accepted via phone. A \$25 cancellation fee will be charged for cancellations prior to June 20, 2012. There will be no refunds after that date!

Mail to: **ABANA, 259 Muddy Fork Road, Jonesborough, TN 37659 USA**
Please pay by check drawn on a U.S. Bank, U.S. Money Order or Credit Card
You can also register by calling 423-913-1022 or fax this form to 423-913-1023

ABANA 2012 CONFERENCE INFORMATION SHEET

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CONFIRMATION WILL BE BY E-MAIL ONLY!

PLEASE KEEP THIS SHEET

2012 Conference Registration Paid by (check/cc) _____ Date _____ For \$ _____

OTHER REGISTRATION NAMES: _____

Children 12-17 are only \$25. Under age 12 are free!

REQUESTED TAILGATING INFORMATION: YES (Registration a Must!) NO

REQUESTED VENDOR INFORMATION: YES NO

LODGING

SCHOOL OF MINES – 501 East St. Joseph Street – food plans also available. ABANA DORM RATES START @ \$40.00/night Register on line at <https://interact.sdsmt.edu/reslife/abana-registration.htm>, or call Stephanie at (605) 394-6774

IMPERIAL HOTEL – 100 St. Joseph Street – downtown. Call (605) 343-5501 for ABANA RATES @ \$60.00/night. www.theimperialhotel.info

HOWARD JOHNSON INN & SUITES – 950 North Street. Call (605) 737-4656 for ABANA RATES @ \$103.20/night.

BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA HOTEL – 2111 N. LaCrosse Street. Call (605) 343-8550 for ABANA RATES @ \$104.00/night. **INDOOR WATER PARK!**

RAMADA - 1902 N. LaCrosse Street. Call (605) 342-3322 for ABANA RATES @ \$104.99/night.

COMFORT SUITES – 915 Fairmont Blvd. Call (605) 718-4444 for ABANA RATES @ \$110.99/night.

Earlier dates are available (Monday & Tuesday).

Be sure to see the Badlands National Park (\$15 per car)! Deadwood is open for gambling. Sturgis' Motorcycle Rally (a Mardi Gras with chrome) is the beginning of August. Crazy Horse Memorial has a laser-light program show nightly. Mount Rushmore is 25 miles southwest of Rapid City. The City View Trolley all-day pass (\$1 for seniors) stops at the Journey Museum, the downtown shopping areas, Founder's Park, Storybook Island, Sioux Park Formal Gardens, Stavkirke Chapel, Dinosaur Park, the Dahl Arts Center, the Howard Johnson Express, Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn, and Hotel Alex Johnson. The downtown area boasts 39 life-size bronze statues of past U.S. Presidents. The alley between Main and St. Joseph connecting Sixth and Seventh streets hosts music as well as arts and crafts booths every Thursday night. Visit the Mt. Rushmore Black Hills Gold Factory and see the processing of gold into jewelry. The Factory is across from the Comfort Suites.

Tailgating Information

No additional cost for tailgating, but you **MUST** pre-register for space. Space is very limited. **\$50 late fee will be imposed for not registering before the conference.** South Dakota **sales tax** of 7.5% is applicable and all tailgaters will be given a tax package at the conference. Collection and payment of all taxes are between the tailgater and the South Dakota Department of Revenue.

Vendor Information

Indoor vendor space of 10' x 10' with pipe and drape, two chairs and one table is \$275. This includes one conference registration. Additional vendor employees at \$225 each. Family members are \$25 each. Additional 10' x 10' space is \$100 each.

Outdoor vendor space (20' x 20') is \$275. This includes one conference registration. Additional vendor employees at \$225 each. Family members are \$25 each.

Electric is available for \$80 for 110 volt and \$140 for 220 volt. Payment in advance to the Fairgrounds - call (605) 355-3861 and mention ABANA Conference Vendor Electricity.

South Dakota **sales tax** of 7.5% must be collected and submitted to Department of Revenue.

Sponsorships

ABANA appreciates all donations to further our passion of blacksmithing. Please call our Central Office at 423-913-1022 for more information on what you can give to ensure that our Rapid City Conference becomes the BEST blacksmithing event of 2012.

Teaching Tent

The ABANA Education Tent will be staffed by Mark Aspery, Gerald Boggs, and Darryl Nelson. Some of the teaching items are: tooling, two-dimensional animal heads, wizard-headed bottle opener, and ABANA's National Curriculum. To participate, check the schedule and select the class you want, attend the demo, and place your name in the hat at the Teaching Tent if you are interested. Winners' names will be drawn immediately after the demo, before class begins.

Don't forget to bring your personal safety equipment if you would like to participate!

Bloomery Smelts

This is a **MUST SEE!** Wednesday will see the furnace constructed. Thursday will be the first smelt, forging a sculptural piece from part of the bloom. Friday is another smelt with demo on converting the iron to steel in a small hearth.