



Artist Blacksmith's Association of North America

ABANA Conference News

*Call for 2010 Conference Gallery Submissions and Finely Crafted Tool
Donations for the BAM Box "Iron In The Hat" Fund Raiser*

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Greetings from ABANA! This is a courtesy notice: First call for ABANA 2010 Conference Gallery Submissions and BAM Box Tool Donations.

Notice: Call for 2010 Conference Gallery Submissions!

2010 ABANA Conference will host an open to the public Gallery event in conjunction with the Memphis conference. This is your "First Call" for Gallery submissions. The conference Gallery will host an opening reception, inviting the public to an evening event and the opportunity to meet the artists.

We invite you to consider donating your Gallery items for the conference auction. Funds raised by the conference auction go to support the mission of your association and are gratefully accepted.

Please be sure to indicate whether your Gallery item is for "Display Only", "Auction Item", or "For Sale by Artist". Please Contact Steve Williamson for Gallery Submissions.

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Notice: Call for BAM Box Tool Donations!

2010 ABANA Conference will once again be having the "Iron In The Hat" fund raiser for our educational mission. Our Scholarship and Grant programs depend upon these funds raised during this event. Please consider making a donation of quality, well made tools! Select any of the items from the list!

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Any additional tools received, after the BAM Box has nicely filled, will go to the "Iron In The Hat" daily drawing. Please consider applying your personal touchmark to donated tools as it will add special meaning to the new owners.

TONGS, NAIL HEADER, BACKING PLATE, TWISTING WRENCHES, BENDING FORKS, TRAVELER (Small), CHISELS, PUNCHES, CUT OFF HARDY, WOOD MALLET, ANGLE BLOCK FOR VISE, DIVIDERS, STEEL RULER 24", CENTER FINDER, CIRCLE DIVIDER, DRIFTS, COLLAR BLOCKS or any other tools you find useful.

A very special ABANA 2010 Conference BAM Box Hammer has been donated by Nathan Robertson of Jackpine Forge, 52765 Robertson Road, Max MN 56659 Phone: (218) 659-4590 jpine@paulbunyan.net So please contact your local ABANA Affiliate Group and buy those raffle tickets! Or you can purchase tickets on-site during the 2010 Conference in Memphis

The ABANA 2010 conference will be held at the AgriCenter International in Memphis, Tennessee. Opening ceremonies will be on Wednesday, June 2, 2010. Thursday through Saturday will be full days of forging demo's and excitement ABANA style.

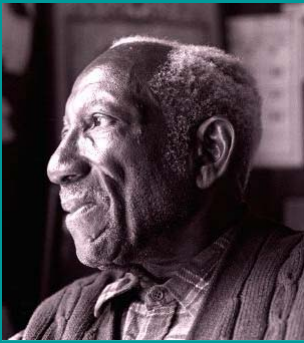
Saturday will conclude with a pay as you go Memphis BBQ banquet and the conference auction.

The theme of the conference is to be "ABANA's Greatest Hits" in keeping with Memphis' musical heritage. The ticket price will turn the clock back at least 8 years...

The site ([click here](#)) is within a few miles of thousands of reasonably priced hotel rooms. Camping and RV hook-ups and hot showers will be available on site. Stay tuned for additional announcements.

AgriCenter International is located at 7777 Walnut Grove Road, from I-240, on the east side of Memphis, take Exit 13 and drive east on Walnut Grove Road approximately 4.2 miles to Farm Road and turn south, go .1 mile.

**ABANA Conference
Memphis June 2010**



Philip Simmons
1912 - 2009

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Gallery Open to Public  
"Green Coal" Forges  
Memphis Style Banquet  
Top Demonstrators  
Tailgate Heaven  
Vendors for the Craft  
Lectures & Workshops

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"We will preserve a
meaningful bond with the
past. We will serve the
needs of the present, and
we will forge a bridge to the
future. Function and
creativity is our purpose.
Our task is great and so is
our joy."

Dimitri Gerakaris, 1973

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## The Conference Demonstrators

individuals and businesses and has been involved in local community projects creating unique public art. Showroom at Kew Bridge Steam Museum

AMIT HAR-LEV and TSUR SADAN (of Israel) team forging demo

JOE ANDERSON (of NC) will do one demo on forged kitchen ware and 2 sessions on sculpture

MARK ASPERY (of CA) will do tool-making demos.

GERALD BOGGS (of VA) will do a demonstration; subject TBD.

DAN BOONE (of VA) will do 2 demo sessions on dragon's heads and his other products

DAN AND JUDY BOONE will do a round table talk and question session on how they market their wares.

PHIL COX (of MO) will do a session "power hammers - getting the most out of them" including both mechanical and air hammers, he will also cover tips on checking used hammers and rebuilding them

DAN NAUMAN (of WI) will demonstrate repoussé

DARRYL NELSON (of WA) will do a demonstration forging of animal heads.

STEVE PARKER (of IL) will demonstrate power hammer tools and forging.

TOM LATANTE (of WI) will lead the "Meticulous Metalsmiths" forging a lock during the conference.

MARK ASPERY will run the "Green Coal" teaching station, with DARRYL NELSON and GERALD BOGGS.

Continue to be on the look out for additional 2010 conference announcements on the ABANA website, and here in the Constant Contact email

On behalf of your ABANA 2010 Conference Committee

Sincerely,



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