

NRBA Fall Conference September 19-21 www.nrba.us

Hosted by Nathan Kimpell, (406) 544-2115

5341 Aviation Way Missoula, MT 59808.

Fly press tooling and it's unique place in the workshop.

Dry Camping inside fenced area will be available for attendees,.

*** No water or electricity available ***

There are also two hotels a mile away on Airway Blvd

Stonecreek Lodge; 406-541-3600 and the Fairfield inn; 406-541-8000.

Big Sky brewing is also next door to the Stone Creek Lodge. There are multiple restaurants nearby

Thursday

Please show up early to help with setup.

Bring auction items as well as goods you want to sell since the public is invited Saturday

Friday

7:00 am Chefs start cooking Breakfast .

8:00 am Registration, Introductions, and Safety Briefing

Demonstration / Hands on

12:00 pm Lunch

Demonstration / Hands on

6:00 pm Break for supper

Saturday

7:00 Chefs start cooking Breakfast

Registration and General Meeting discussion during breakfast

Demonstration / Hands on

12:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Demonstration/Hands on with free public viewing and sales

4:00 pm Live Auction

6:00 pm Dinner Catered

Sunday

7:00 am Chefs start cooking breakfast

Demonstration / Hands on

12:00 pm Lunch

Tear Down, Pack up the New Trailer, and Cleanup

*****Instructors will be available throughout the conference to help you with questions or problems you are having on Education Projects in all three levels*****

NRBA 2025 Fall Conference Demonstrator

Nathan Kimpell, Missoula MT

This Fall conference we will be demonstrating the Fly press and how to make tooling for them along with this we will collectively come up with a sculpture to create with the Fly press and our own Blacksmithing set ups.

At this location we have power for the demonstration and will have Porta-Pottys. The building at this location is off limits but the grounds around it are ours to use and respect. The property is fenced and gated, so tools and equipment are secure. There is plenty of room for campers (bring your generator) and we will set up the NRBA tent to forge under. At this location we are just east of the airport so if you don't do well with a small amount of noise at night maybe camping isn't for you here. please bring your own blacksmithing gear and join us.

For those of you who don't know me, I'm Nathan Kimpell an Artist blacksmith who has lived in Missoula for the past 32 years. I most recently finished a forged 80' fence system of wildflowers and grasses along with my assistant Gavi Lightsey. This was made from 1018 steel and silicon Bronze. We used power hammers and hand tooling to create these pieces and forge welded most of them. We then TIG welded them to our rails and field installed them to the trees of Iron we forged out of 4" to 1" Pipe for branches and set in concrete. I forge in multiple different practices but enjoy sculpture the most. When I'm not forging, I also fabricate and machine parts for multiple other companies. Making Bronze tabletops for high end designers to making headers for 1928 French roadsters I find joy in helping others out to make for them. .

