



BC Log Builders & Timber Framers NEWSLETTER



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27th Annual General Meeting & Conference: Salmon Arm, BC APRIL 11-13, 2024

This year, we will be gathering at the Prestige Harbour Front Resort, located on the banks of a nature estuary with unobstructed views of Shuswap Lake and Bastion Mountain. This location offers a comfortable, yet upscale experience: it is within easy walking distance to the Salmon Arm Wharf, local trails, and is mere blocks from downtown's shopping and dining offerings. The Prestige Harbourfront Resort has plenty of great amenities, such as the indoor/outdoor pool and outdoor hot tub on site which guests can enjoy over the conference weekend. Plan to come early and/or stay on later, taking advantage of the excellent room rates negotiated for our attendees.

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Final details of the 27th BCLTBIA Conference and registration information will be available in January 2024. Any updates and changes will also be kept current on our website. Highlights this year include: seminars and workshops on education and training in the industry, BCTS fibre access issues, marketing, informative payroll seminars with Paula Hughes, hands-on workshops, Reducing Wood Movement with Dai Ona and a site tour, OHSP seminar/workshop, insurance benefit plans, round table discussions on Building Code and more. This event will kick off Thursday night with a casual welcome and offer the opportunity for informal meetings with others at one of the many facilities on site at the Prestige. Please call ahead to reserve your room from Thursday evening through to Sunday morning. Conference fees will include meals and refreshments from Friday breakfast through to Saturday evening events. Keeping with our traditions, we will be hosting the Annual Auction and the Truss Building Competition, with the chance to win a variety of awesome prizes (to be announced soon). BCLTBIA encourages employers to bring their employees and families, as the facility and surrounding area offer many opportunities for all to enjoy.

Beyond the conference schedule, there is much to gain by all attendees: networking, support, and most importantly, friendship. Our conferences offer the opportunity to share with others who carry the same passion for our trade.



2024 BCLTBIA Conference site - the view.

The Log and Timber building industry has evolved immensely in the past 27 years. We continue to be faced with the challenges of reduced fibre access and on going updates to the building codes. We will connect on the shores of Shuswap Lake to decipher these changing rules and unite. Our Association and connections ensure we are recognized and valued for the professional building industry we are. We know that our members are dedicated to the finest quality construction of log and timber structures, as well as the survival and growth of this industry.

Your attendance provides an opportunity to express your specific needs to our sponsors, providing product development directly to them whilst simultaneously validating their investment in our industry. **Whether it is for the presentations, to connect with our industry suppliers, or face-to-face contact with industry peers, your attendance is an investment in your business and your future.** One new connection or idea can be a turning point to better your career.

In order to take advantage of the early bird discount, please, send in your completed Conference registration form by January 30, 2024. You will not want to miss this event filled with innovation, great company, and fun! See you soon in the Shuswap!

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