



NECA 2025 CHICAGO

CONVENTION AND TRADE SHOW

September 12–15, 2025
McCormick Place West Convention Center

#1 EVENT FOR POWER, LIGHT AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Education

NECA 2025 Chicago



PRECONVENTION WORKSHOPS

In-depth education on the topics you need most.

Each year, NECA offers in-depth workshops before the start of the Convention that take a deep dive on the topics you need most. From communications to leadership to safety, these classes provide you with the tools you need to be successful.

Preconvention workshops are an add-on to your NECA Convention experience and require a separate registration.

CONVENTION EDUCATION

Lessons learned. Best practices. Leading for tomorrow.

With dynamic speakers from across the globe and electrical professionals just like you, the NECA Convention will challenge the way you think, help you improve your processes and help you build a brighter future for you and your company.

The full schedule of educational sessions and descriptions will be available at necaconvention.org.

“I highly recommend that contractors and their teams attend the educational courses offered at the convention. Not only will attendees have access to industry experts with cutting-edge knowledge on best practices, safety standards, and innovative solutions, but the event also offers a unique platform to network and engage with peers who are facing similar challenges.”

*—Daric Stith
Tri State Electric*

Choose a track. Or try them all! The choice is yours.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS

The process for becoming a better leader never stops. To help all attendees grow their skills, a slate of leadership sessions will be presented on the show floor.

TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION WORKSHOPS

Before you can blink, the next technology solution that can save your business time and money will be here. Innovative exhibitors and industry experts will bring you the technology you need to stay ahead.

CONSTRUCTION SOLUTIONS WORKSHOPS

Every problem has at least one—if not hundreds—of possible solutions. These sessions will get you thinking, present new ideas and help you find solutions to the most common electrical contracting problems.



Trade Show Education will be held right on the show floor. All attendees are welcome!



Opening General Session

SCOTTIE PIPPEN

7-time NBA All-Star, 6-time NBA Champion, 2-time Olympic Gold Medalist
Saturday, September 13 • 10:00–11:30 am

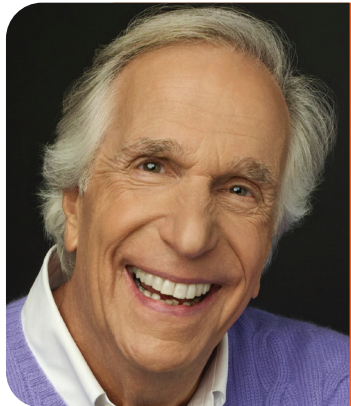
One of basketball's most talented, versatile and successful players, Scottie Pippen's improbable journey to the NBA landed him in Chicago, where he and Michael Jordan teamed up to lead one of the game's greatest dynasties. Scottie was born in Arkansas, the youngest of 12 children, and he didn't receive a single Division I scholarship offer. He walked on at an NAIA school, Central Arkansas, and was drafted fifth overall in the 1987 NBA Draft. He quickly established himself as one of the league's best two-way players and in only his fourth season, claimed the first of six NBA world championships in eight years. Scottie was beloved by his teammates and when you listen to him speak, you'll understand why!

Special General Session

LABOR RELATIONS FIRESIDE CHAT

Sunday, September 14 • 10:00–11:30 am

NECA members will have an exclusive opportunity to hear from NECA and IBEW leadership on the critical Labor Relations issues shaping the evolution of the electrical industry. This thought provoking session will address the challenges many areas face as well as highlight collaborative success areas can replicate for sustained growth.



Closing General Session

HENRY WINKLER

Emmy Award-Winning Actor, Author, Director & Producer
Monday, September 15 • 1:15–2:30 pm

Henry Winkler has had more than 50 years of success in Hollywood and continues to be in demand as an actor, producer, and director. He co-starred as acting teacher Gene Cousineau on the hit HBO dark comedy, *Barry*, for which he won his first Primetime Emmy Award in 2018. A graduate of the Yale School of Drama, he was cast in 1973 in the iconic role of Arthur Fonzarelli, aka "The Fonz," in the TV series *Happy Days*. In recent years, Winkler appeared in a number of series, including *Arrested Development*, *Royal Pains*, *New Girl*, and *Parks and Recreation*. He is the New York Times bestselling author of numerous children's books, including *Alien Superstar*, *A Trilogy* and *Hank Zipzer the World's Greatest Under-Achiever*, a 28-book series inspired by Winkler's own struggle with learning challenges.



Opening Reception

A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

Friday, September 12 • Museum of Science & Industry
7:30–9:30 pm • After Party 9:30–10:30 pm

Step back in time to an era of innovation and opulence at the iconic Griffin Museum of Science and Industry. Inspired by the grandeur of the 1893 World's Fair and the extravagant parties of the Roaring '20s, this year's event promises to be a spectacular celebration!

Join fellow attendees in exploring the wonders of science and innovation amidst the museum's exhibits. Interactive NECA installations highlight the marvels of electricity and currents, paying homage to the breakthroughs of the late 19th century.

Savor the best of Chicago's culinary scene with a nod to World's Fair concessions and 1920s-inspired cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Participate in engaging games and activities designed to entertain and immerse you in the spirit of the era. Milwaukee Tool's Tool Shed Band will keep the energy high and the dance floor buzzing.

The Opening Reception at the Museum of Science and Industry is the perfect way to kick off NECA 2025 Chicago!

Closing Celebration

MOTOWN SHOWDOWN

featuring **The Temptations** and **The Four Tops**

Monday, September 15 • Aon Ballroom, Navy Pier
Doors: 7:00 pm, Music 8:15 pm

Get ready for the ultimate battle of the hits at the **Motown Showdown**, the NECA 2025 Chicago Closing Celebration! On Monday, September 15, 2025, two of the most iconic Motown groups of all time—**The Temptations** and **The Four Tops**—will go head-to-head in an unforgettable night of music, dancing, and Motown magic.

The stage will be set for a musical showdown as The Temptations bring their signature smooth moves and timeless harmonies, delivering unforgettable hits like “My Girl,” “Just My Imagination,” and “Papa Was a Rollin’ Stone.” Then, get ready to groove as The Four Tops take the spotlight, belting out legendary tracks like “I Can’t Help Myself (Sugar Pie, Honey Bunch),” “Reach Out I’ll Be There,” and “Bernadette.”

The night will feature an open bar, plenty of room for dancing, and both indoor and outdoor spaces offering breathtaking views of Chicago’s skyline and Lake Michigan. Interactive entertainment will keep the energy high as you celebrate with your peers in a vibrant, fun-filled atmosphere.

Whether you’re a lifelong Motown fan or discovering these iconic hits for the first time, the Motown Showdown will be the perfect way to close out a week of industry collaboration, networking, and inspiration.

Join us for a night of music, dancing, and the ultimate Motown Showdown—it’s going to be a celebration to remember!

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APPRENTICE APPRECIATION DAY

Sunday, September 14

Join nearly 1,000 apprentices for the NECA Apprentice Appreciation Day at NECA 2025 Chicago! We have planned a special program for apprentices working at all levels of electrical construction from first year to fifth year. Following the workshop, all participants can visit the NECA Show floor, FREE!



Program will include lunch and the highly anticipated return of the NEC Escape Room.

This interactive experience is designed to test the knowledge and skills of apprentice attendees on the National Electrical Code (NEC) in a fun and engaging way. Senior Instructor Geoff Gardner, known as the “Escape Room Genius,” has dedicated countless hours and considerable brainpower to crafting our escape room’s layout, plan, and design. The NEC Escape Room Challenge is a unique, hands-on activity where apprentices navigate through a series of puzzles that require a solid understanding of the NEC.





NECA Gives Back

The goal of the NECA Adopt-a-School program is supporting children, teachers and their communities. By promoting the electrical industry and helping schools in need, we can support the future of NECA and grow our workforce, all at the same time. This year, NECA **Adopt-a-School** will focus on a Chicago-area school that could use a little extra help. The Silent Auction will be back with sports memorabilia, exotic trips, fine wine and liquor packages, jewelry and more.

Pause for Paws

It's a proven fact that petting an animal can lower stress. The social interaction between people and their pets increases levels of the feel-good hormone, cortisol. Indulge in some puppy love and stress relief at the **Pause for Paws** petting park on the NECA show floor. Every moment spent with these furry companions not only brings happiness but also supports a worthy cause—a Chicago-area animal rescue dedicated to making a difference in the lives of animals.



Visit the Emerging Innovation Hub

Learn more about the latest products in the electrical field. Catch up with colleagues, and stop by the NECA family of booths including NECA Member Services, NECAPAC, ELECTRI International, and the Innovation Podcast.



Take a Stroll in the NECA One Park

Learn about the history of NECA, play games, and lounge in an interactive park space as you walk into the NECA Show.



Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:30 am–5:00 pm

Registration

Preconvention Workshops

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

7:00 am–5:00 pm

Registration

Preconvention Workshops

8:00 am–9:00 am

Board of Governors Breakfast

9:00 am–12:00 pm

Board of Governors Meeting

1:30 pm–3:00 pm

ELECTRI International Electrical Contracting

Innovation Challenge

6:30 pm–7:30 pm

Innovation Institute Reception (*invitation only*)

7:00 pm–7:30 pm

NECAPAC Reception (*invitation only*)

7:30 pm–9:30 pm

Opening Reception—Museum of Science and Industry

9:30 pm–10:30 pm

After Party



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:30 am–5:00 pm

Registration

8:00 am–9:50 am

Convention Education

10:00 am–11:30 am

Opening General Session

10:30 am–5:00 pm

Showstopper Showcase

11:30 am–5:00 pm

NECA Show/Education Workshops

4:00 pm–5:00 pm

Future Leaders Reception

5:30 pm–7:00 pm

Academy Reception (*invitation only*)



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

7:30 am–4:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am–9:50 am	Convention Education
10:00 am–11:30 am	General Session
10:30 am–4:00 pm	Showstopper Showcase
11:30 am–4:00 pm	NECA Show/Education Workshops
5:30 pm–7:00 pm	ELECTRI International Reception (<i>invitation only</i>)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:30 am–1:00 pm	Registration
8:00 am–8:50 am	Convention Education
8:00 am–1:00 pm	Showstopper Showcase
9:00 am–1:00 pm	NECA Show/Education Workshops
1:15 pm–2:30 pm	Closing General Session
7:00 pm	Closing Celebration: Motown Showdown featuring The Temptations and The Four Tops—Navy Pier (doors open at 7 pm, music at 8:15 pm)

schedule subject to change



THE NECA SHOW: YOUR INDUSTRY SOLUTION CENTER



Still the undisputed leader in the electrical construction industry, the NECA Show continues to grow. The NECA Show puts you face-to-face with manufacturer execs so you can discuss your specific needs for the jobsite, shop, or office. Our goal is to provide the products and services electrical professionals need to stay competitive in the marketplace.

The NECA Show floor is an interactive classroom. This is the place to test new products and learn about solutions that will drive efficiencies and better results.

- Talk with company execs from 350+ exhibitors
- Over 100,000 square feet of booths filled with thousands of products and services covering all aspects of the growing electrical construction industry
- Attend any of the 36 trade show education workshops: Construction Solutions, Technology and Innovation, and Leadership
- Visit the Showstopper Showcase (newest products) sponsored by ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR magazine to see what's been introduced in the market within the last 12 months
- Your opinion counts. Stop by the NECA Survey booth and help us continue to improve your convention experience. Who knows? You might even win cash and prizes!
- Stay on top of the games in the NECA Sports Zone
- Take a break with the puppies at Pause for Paws

NECA Show hours:

Saturday, September 13
Sunday, September 14
Monday, September 15

11:30am–5:00pm
11:30am–4:00pm
9:00am–1:00pm

Exhibitor List

Exhibitor list as of **FEBRUARY 10, 2025**

Visit necaconvention.org for the latest exhibitor list.

Align Technology
3M
ABB
Access Construction
Adrian Steel Company
Advanced Test Equipment Rentals
AECInspire
AEMC Instruments
AIDA Corporation
Air-tow Trailers
AltaVista Strategic Partners
Altec Industries
Alva Manufacturing
American Conduit
American Polywater Corporation
American Technical Publishers
APEX Integrated Solutions, Inc
Arcoro
A-Rent Test Equipment
Arlington Industries
Asia Tradelink Corporation
aspectLED
Atkore
Augmenta
Austin Lane Technologies, Inc
Autodesk Construction Cloud
BD ELECTRICAL
Bidding Enterprise
Border States
Bott USA
Brady Corporation
BRAH Electric
Buckingham Mfg.
BuildOps
busybusy Mobile Time Tracking
Cal Am Manufacturing
CED
Celec Enterprises
Cementex Products, Inc.
Cerro Wire LLC
Cert-In Software Systems, Inc.
Chalfant Manufacturing Company
Champion Fiberglass
Classic Wire & Cable
Clyr
CMP Products

Commusoft
Condoit
Conest Software Systems
Contractors Choice Inc.
Copperweld Building Wire
Crescent Electric Supply
Crippa USA LLC
Current Tools, Inc.
Day & Night Solar
DEWALT
DITEK Surge Protection
Document Crunch
Drawer AI
Eaton
EC&M Magazine
Eiko Global, LLC
Electrical Contractor Magazine
Electrical Starting Point
Electrical Training Alliance
Electrical.com
Electri-Flex Company
Electronic Power Design (EPD)
ELEGRP
Emerging Innovation Hub
Emerson
Enerlites, Inc.
ENG
Engineered Products Company
EPEC Solutions Inc.
EPRLive
Eracore
Ericson Manufacturing Company
Erin Rope Corporation
ESA Fabrication
eSUB Construction Software
Evolved Marketing
EZ-CRETE LLC
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Field Materials
Fluke Corporation
Foundation Software
FUDAKIN LIGHTING, INC.
Functional Devices, Inc.
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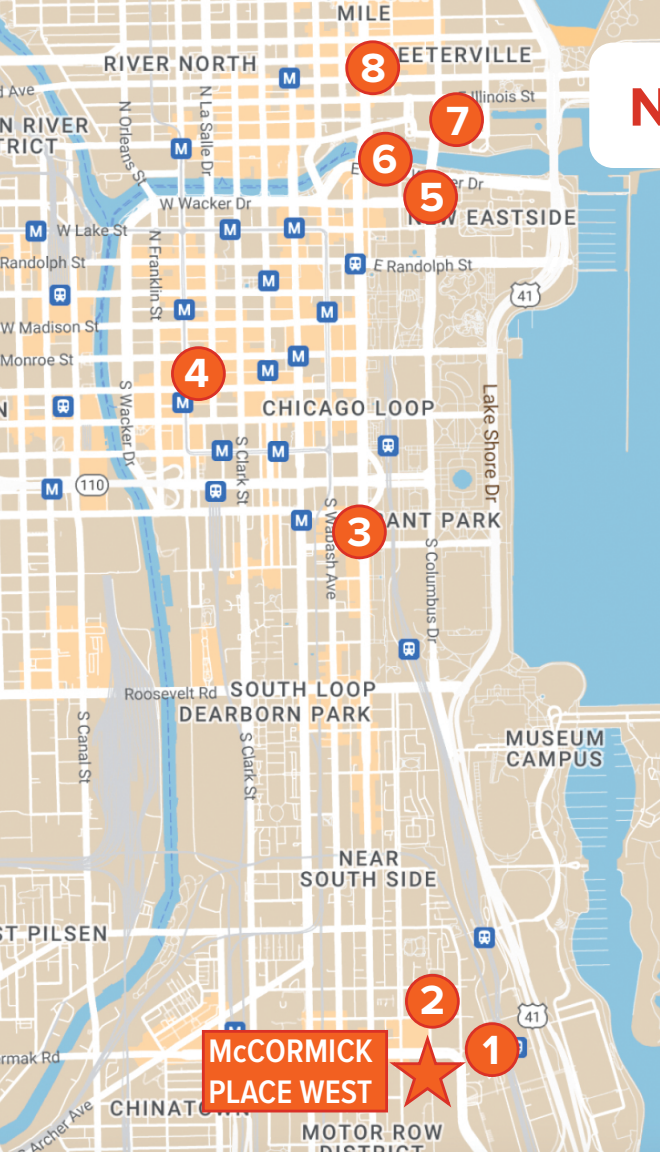
GK Energy (thailand) Co.,Ltd
Golden Peacock Overseas Ltd
GORE-TEX Professional
Graybar
Great Lakes Data Racks and
Cabinets
Greenlee Tools, Inc.
Gripple Inc.
Group CBS - Advanced Electrical
and Motor Controls
Halco Lighting Technologies
Hampton Electric
Harger Lightning & Grounding
Heather Technologies Corporation
High to Low Voltage
High Voltage Inc.
High Voltage Maintenance
Hilti
Hollobus Technologies Inc
HUBS Inc.
Ideal Electrical
Industrial Electric Mfg. (IEM)
Innerduct.com
Insulated tools Limited
ITOOLco
Janitza LP
JCL Energy
Jonard Tools
Kahua, Inc
Keystone Technologies
Klein Tools, Inc.
KNIPEX Tools LP
Knowify
Kojo Technologies, Inc
Kolbi Identification Products
KPA
L.H. Dottie Company
Leatherman Tool Group
Legrand
Leica Geosystems
Leviton Mfg. Co., Inc.
Light Efficient Design
Lind Equipment
Liteline
LS Electric
Lutron Electronics

Lyncole XIT Grounding
Lynkwell
Maddox Industrial Transformer, LLC
Mag Daddy LLC
Maverick Power
MAX USA Corp.
MCA, Inc
McCormick Systems, Inc.—A
Foundation Software Company
Milbank Manufacturing
Milwaukee Tool
Miro Industries Inc
Miter
MOCA Systems, Inc.
National Safety Apparel
NECA Showstoppers
NECA SPORTS ZONE
NEPTCO Inc (A Chase Corporation
Company)
NetConnex, LLC
NFFPA
NICHIFU AMERICA INC
NOARK Electric
North Shore Safety
NSI Industries
nVent
NW Signal Maintenance, LLC
Olson Electrics
OpenSpace
Orbit Industries, Inc.
Osensa Innovations Corp.
Oswego Creative, Inc.
Panduit Corp.
Patabid
Patriot Industries
Paulson Manufacturing Corp.
Penn Aluminum International LLC
Phoenix Contact USA, Inc.
Piedmont Plastics, Inc.
Pinnacle Safety Products, LLC
PlanRadar Inc.
Plymouth Rubber Europa S.A.U.
Pole Base
Power Probe Group (KPS)
Procore

Professional Plastics
Prysmian/Encore Wire
PSP Products
RAB Lighting
Rack-A-Tiers Mfg. Inc.
Radix Wire Company
Rainwater Industrial Inc.
Raken
Remarcable
RESA Power
Rexel, Inc.
Rhumbix
Riskcast Solutions
RIVET Work
RMC GROW LIGHT INC
Robroy Industries
RS Breakers and Controls
RYMCO USA
Safety Technology International
Schneider Electric
Seraphina Safety Apparel & Mfg
Service Wire Co.
ServiceTitan
Sheakley Risk & Safety Solutions
Shineto Lighting USA LLC
Siemens Industry, Inc.
Signal Fluid Solutions
SILTEC USA, INC
Silver Fox Labeling
simpleSwitch
Simpro Software Limited
Siteline
SJS Electric VDC Inc.
Slatercom Lighting Solutions
SMARTBUILD
Snake Tray
Softing Inc.
Sonepar USA
Southwire
SP Products
Specified Technologies, Inc.
Stratus
Sunbelt—Solomon Solutions
Superior Tray Systems
Surety Bond Professionals, Inc.
SureWerx

SurgePure Corporation
T & R Electric Supply
Talon Roofing Products
Technitrol, Inc.
Tempo Communications
TMC Transforme rs USA Inc.
Topcon Solutions
Trade Hounds
Trenchsafe
Trimble
Triplett Test Equipment & Tools
Tyfoom
Tyndale Company
UCL Swift
UL Standards & Engagement
U-Mark, Inc.
Underground Devices Inc.
United Rentals
Utilities Instrumentation Services
VEC
Veto Pro Pac
VFC Lightning Protection
Vision InfoSoft
Visionary Electrical Solutions, Inc.
Volanti Displays
WAC Lighting
Wago Corporation
WESANCO
WESCO
Wiha Tools
Windsor Wire
Windy City Wire
Winnie Industries
WorkMax
Zekelman
Zuma Payroll

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NECA 2025 Attendee Housing

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2233 South Martin Luther King
Drive

2 Marriott Marquis Chicago
2121 South Prairie Avenue

3 Hilton Chicago
720 South Michigan Avenue

4 JW Marriott Chicago
151 West Adams Street

5 Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park
200 North Columbus Drive

6 Hyatt Regency Chicago
151 East Wacker Drive

7 Sheraton Grand Chicago
301 East North Water Street

**8 InterContinental Chicago
Magnificent Mile**
505 North Michigan Avenue

NECA Registration & Housing

CMR 1-800-368-6322 • 1-415-979-2291 International

A fee will apply for rooms not booked through CMR.



Registering for NECA 2025 Chicago: IT MAKES PERFECT BUSINESS SENSE

Where else can you participate in educational sessions geared to the needs of NECA contractors, connect with manufacturers and service providers you rely on, and meet up with your fellow contractors? Only at NECA 2025 Chicago. You get all that information and face-to-face networking in just three days, meaning fewer days out of the office, lower travel costs and immediate results!

Member registration fee for NECA 2025 Chicago includes:

- 1,750 minutes of Convention Education sessions
- Three lunches on the Trade Show floor
- Opening Reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages
- Business Development Seminar
- Closing Celebration with open bar
- Daily Prize Drawing tickets
- Showstoppers Showcase
- Three General Sessions
- 14 hours of exclusive NECA Show access
- 1,800 minutes of workshops on the NECA Show Floor



Fees

REGISTRATION (through July 25)

	REGISTRANT	GUEST
Member	\$1,750	\$1,125
Non-member	\$2,525	\$2,525

LATE REGISTRATION (after July 25)

	REGISTRANT	GUEST
Member	\$2,000	\$1,325
Non-member	\$2,525	\$2,525

Full Convention registration includes: Opening Reception, Convention Education, Trade Show Education, NECA Show, lunch all three days of the NECA Show, admittance to General Sessions and Closing Celebration. Registering for the Full Convention also entitles you to admission to the NECA Show all three days as well as Convention Education sessions at no additional charge.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! WEEKEND PACKAGE **\$1,000**

Includes: Convention Education on Sunday and Monday, 2 days NECA Show, Closing Celebration

REGISTERING CHILDREN

Registration for children attending the NECA Show must be completed online. Children may visit the NECA Show floor all three days, but must be registered and accompanied by a responsible adult at all times.

CHILD PRICING

Child 16+ \$455 • Child 7-15 \$125 • Child 6 and under \$0

For more information visit NECAconvention.org

WHY DO YOUR PEERS ATTEND THE NECA SHOW?

“I am always glad I attend NECA conventions—the time and money are worth the investment, year after year, even when I’m faced with a full schedule and long list back home.”

—Richelle Caglia,
Electric Motor Shop

TOP THREE REASONS

to Attend the NECA Convention and Trade Show:

1. See & Purchase New Products



2. Education



3. Networking



Here’s what they had to say about the speakers at NECA 2024 San Diego:

“One of the best I have attended. The future in a two hour session.”

“I enjoyed hearing the stories from the panel. I was able to relate to much of what they were saying and had some good take-aways that I can implement in my business.”

“One of the best economic presenters I have ever attended. Great communicator, made economic forecasting an interesting topic.”

“Takes real life scenarios and turns them into lessons. Great session!”

“A pleasure to listen to. Clear, concise and funny.”

“This was a great session full of relevant and useful information.”

“Extremely helpful information given in a way that was understandable for people who have little knowledge or experience about the topic.”

Quick Facts

What to wear: business casual, comfortable shoes recommended

Opening Reception: Museum of Science & Industry; this event will take place indoors

Closing Celebration: Navy Pier; this event is indoor/outdoors; open bars

Airports: Chicago O'Hare & Chicago Midway Airports

Convention Center: McCormick Place West Convention Center



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