



April 6-10, 2016 · Ramada Conference Center · Bismarck, ND

Catch the Spirit

Heartland Region Workshop



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Welcome to North Dakota. Our goal for this workshop is that you will be inspired, re-energized and entertained. The concurrent sessions, keynote speakers and off-site sessions the committee has put together for 2016's Heartland Region Workshop will appeal to both the seasoned interpreter and those just getting started in the profession. During the workshop, take the opportunity to exchange ideas and explore innovative ways to help others "catch the spirit". When you return to work, we hope you feel rejuvenated and are ready to utilize what you may have taken away from the workshop whether you are a historical, environmental or recreational interpreter.

The goal of this workshop is to encourage people to "catch the spirit" of interpretation. Please keep in mind that there are grant programs and scholarships available through NAI. Information on pertaining to both of those items is readily available on the Heartland Region website.

One guarantee the committee makes is that during your time here at the Heartland workshop, you will find time to network, meet new friends and re-connect with some you may not have seen in a while!

Have a great time "catching the spirit" in North Dakota!



Tina Harding & Amy Schimetz
Heartland Workshop Co-Chairs

Awards

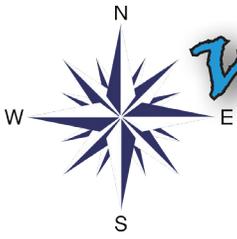
The Heartland Region Awards program recognizes outstanding achievements of NAI members and others working to advance the profession of interpretation. As a member of NAI, you are familiar with outstanding and inspiring programs and professionals from the Heartland Region. Awards are presented at our regional workshops. In addition, the Heartland Region Board may nominate recipients of these awards for National Awards.

Do you know or work with someone deserving an award? So many individuals and groups in our Region are talented, dedicated, hardworking, and under appreciated. Please share how special they are by honoring them with an award recognizing their abilities and contributions to the field of interpretation.

There are five award categories to choose from to fit your nominee:

- Master Front Line Interpreter
- Master Interpretive Manager
- Meritorious Service
- Outstanding New Interpreter
- Outstanding Contribution to the Heartland Region Newsletter
- Excellence in Interpretive Support (non-members of NAI can qualify)

Questions? Email Jeff Boland at Jeff.Boland@eagle-bluff.org or call (507)467-2437.



Welcome to Bismarck, North Dakota

Bismarck was founded in 1872 and has been North Dakota's capital city since the state was created from the Dakota Territory and admitted to the Union in 1889. Bismarck and its sister city, Mandan, are separated by the Missouri River. When you arrive for the conference, there will be no mistake where the capitol grounds are located as the capitol building itself towers 19 stories over the city and can be seen from 20 miles away on a clear day. Due to its distinction as the tallest building in North Dakota, the capitol building carries the nickname "Skyscraper on the prairie."

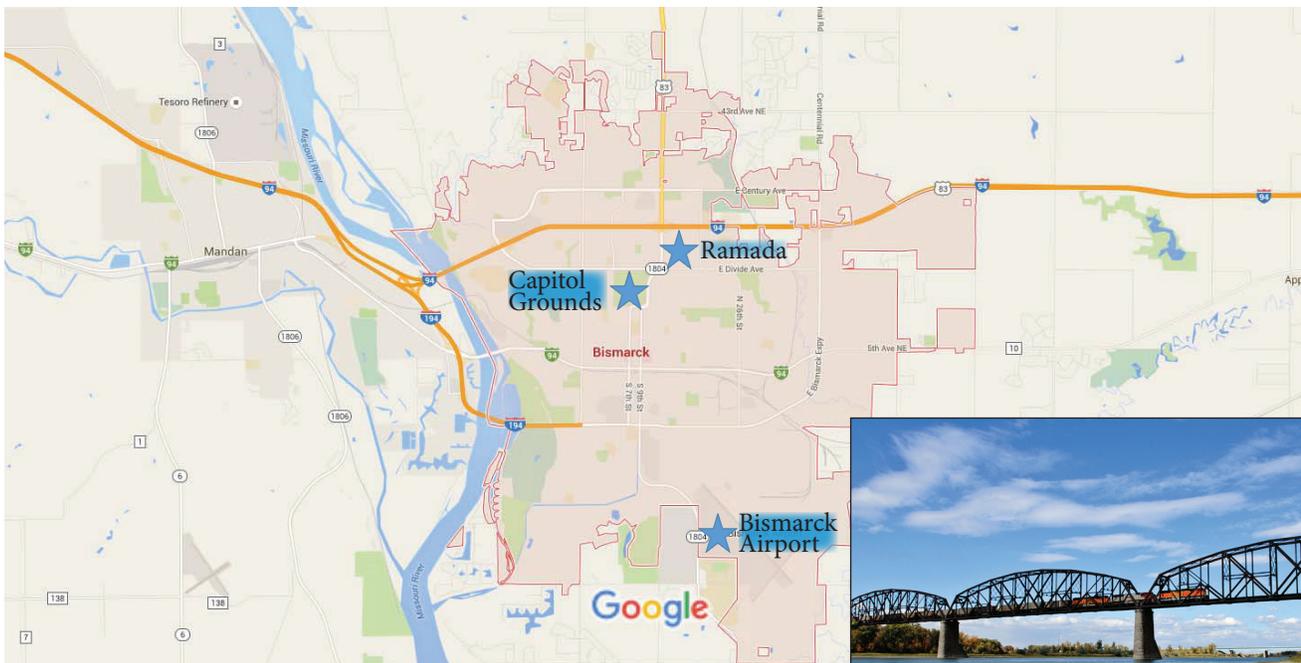


Fun Facts

Bismarck has a wealth of things to explore and discover.

- The second and present capitol building was completed in 1934, in the depths of the Great Depression, as the first was destroyed by a fire.
- Guinness Book of World Records for having 8,962 people making snow angels at once on the capitol grounds.
- The first train arrived in Bismarck in July of 1873 and the first automobile drove the streets in 1905.
- On Saturday, October 20, 1804, Lewis and Clark spotted their first grizzly bear in what is now the Kimball Bottoms area, near present-day Bismarck, ND.
- The capitol building has a tradition that started in the 1940s, using shades to color windows, displaying greetings and pictures during the holiday season.

Google Maps bismarck nd



Photos Courtesy of:
Bismarck Mandan CVB

Workshop Schedule



Wednesday, April 6th

Project Wet and Project Learning Tree Pre-registration Workshop

*Lunch provided. Look for more information on the Heartland Region website.

Registration Table Open 3-7pm

Dinner on your own

Thursday, April 7th

- 7:00am Breakfast in Ballroom/ Registration
- 7:30am Exhibits Open
- 8:15am Welcome and Orientation
- 8:30am Keynote-Linda Black Elk
- 9:30am Concurrent Session I
- 10:45am Concurrent Session II
- 12:00pm Lunch in Ballroom/
Silent Auction Open
- 1:15pm Concurrent Session III
- 2:30pm Concurrent Session IV
- 3:30pm Break and Exhibit Time
- 4:30pm State Meetings & NAI Business Meetings
- 6:00pm Dinner in Ballroom
- 7:30pm Musical Entertainment by Greg Hagar

Friday, April 8th

- 7:00am Breakfast @ Ramada/ Registration
Silent Auction Open
- 8:30am Offsite Sessions
- 5:00pm Busses Return
- 6:00pm Dinner in Ballroom
- 7:00pm Entertainment- Steve Stark
- 7:30pm Silent Auction Concludes
Open Bar/ Live Auction
Special Events

Saturday, April 9th

- 7:00am Breakfast @ Ramada/ Registration
- 8:30am Concurrent Session V
- 9:45am Concurrent Session VI
- 11:00am Concurrent Session VII
- 12:00pm Keynote-Arch Ellwein as
Theodore Roosevelt/ Lunch in
Ballroom
- 1:15pm Concurrent Session VIII
- 2:30pm Concurrent Session IX
- 4:30pm Reception @ Heritage Center
Open Bidding on State Baskets
- 6:00pm Awards Dinner @ Heritage Center
- 6:15pm Entertainment- Cheaper Than
Therapy
- 7:00pm Awards Presentation/ 2017
Heartland Region Presentation
- 8:00pm Musical Entertainment @ Ramada

Sunday, April 10th

Happy Trails And Safe Travels!



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Keynotes

Linda Black Elk

Linda Black Elk is an ethnobotanist, restoration ecologist, and an instructor at Sitting Bull College. With her in-depth knowledge of plants and native cultures, she is able to bring a new light to our natural, historical, and cultural worlds.



Linda Black Elk
Heritage Ballroom
Thursday, April 7 @ 8:30am

Linda Black Elk (Left)
Arch Ellwein as
Theodore Roosevelt (Right)
<http://www.adcomofmt.com/>

Arch Ellwein

Arch Ellwein as Theodore Roosevelt is guaranteed to treat workshop participants to an entertaining and intriguing perspective on history. Arch portrays additional colorful historical figures including Steamboat Captain Grant Marsh, Sgt. John Ordway of the Lewis & Clark Expedition, Buffalo Hunter Yellowstone Vic Smith and more.

Arch Ellwein as Theodore Roosevelt
Heritage Ballroom
Saturday, April 9 @ 12:00pm



Entertainment

Greg Hagar

Greg Hagar is a five time nominee as the Western Artist of the Year. Greg is able to bring his stories to life through music that appeals to all listeners. Born and raised North Dakotan, Greg shares the successes and struggles of country life, love, and faith.



Greg Hagar
Heritage Ballroom
Thursday, April 7 @ 7:30pm

Greg Hagar (Left)
www.greghagar.com

Steve Stark

Steve Stark dresses in costumes as he tells and draws historical stories before your eyes and with great accuracy and speed. On 20-30 foot rolls of paper, Stark illustrates various other incredible stories of famous North Dakotans.

Captain Steve Stark
Heritage Ballroom
Friday, April 8 @ 7:00pm



Captain Steve Stark (Right) Photo Courtesy of Fargo-Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau

Cheaper Than Therapy

Cheaper Than Therapy is an acapella group that has branched out into contemporary, gospel, and even a little twisted classical music.

Cheaper Than Therapy
Heritage Center
Saturday, April 9 @ 6:15pm

Offsite Sessions



The sessions this year are planned with flexibility in mind. Each person will have two tours, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Tours topics include Energy, Nature, and Cultural History. Each bus will leave from the hotel in Bismarck in the morning and arrive midday at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, Washburn, North Dakota, where lunch will be provided. We will be using vans for transportation so flexibility of riding partners and content can be changed up.

Energy

- Morning loop tour will include a visit to a surface strip-mine of lignite, reclamation of mined land, and electrical generation from lignite.
- Afternoon tour will include the hydro-electric generating process at Garrison Dam and a visit past a wind-power generation field.

Nature

- Morning tour will focus on natural history (primarily birds) at Audubon National Wildlife Refuge and a visit to the Garrison Dam National Fish Hatchery.
- Afternoon tour will be to Cross Ranch Nature Preserve to discuss prairie habitat, bison pasture and other environments.

Cultural History

- Morning tour will include stops at Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site and Fort Clark State Historic Site.
- Afternoon tour will be Lewis and Clark focused including Fort Mandan, Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center (now operated by North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department), and Double Ditch State Historic Site.



Photo courtesy of Knife River Indian Villages/ National Historic Site.

Knife River Indian Villages (left) is a National Historic Site located in Stanton, ND. In its bustling days, this village was home to more than 3,000 people. From the earth lodges and history to ornithology and scenic beauty, Knife River has something for all.

Cross Ranch State Park (right) is nestled on the shores of the Missouri River near Center, ND. This nearly untouched landscape has miles of trails and over 200 year old cottonwood trees. Cross Ranch State Park was dedicated in 1989 during North Dakota's centennial celebration.



Photo courtesy of North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department.



Lodging

The Ramada

The Ramada is located at 1400 E Interchange Ave-Bismarck, North Dakota and lies at the intersection of ND Highway 83 N and I-94. (701)258-7000. The relaxed rooms have free Wi-Fi and flat-screen TVs, mini fridges, coffeemakers and microwaves. Suites add separate living areas with pull-out sofas. Kids 17 and under stay free with an adult. Amenities include free hot American breakfast, a casual restaurant grill, as well as an indoor pool and fitness center with sauna and hot tub. There's also a business center and conference facilities, plus free parking with space for large vehicles. They offer free shuttle service upon request. A block of rooms at the Ramada has been reserved under NAI Heartland Region Conference for the cost of \$80.10/night.



*Photos courtesy of the Ramada.

The La Quinta Inn & Suites

The La Quinta Inn & Suites is located just south of Interstate 94 and .2 mi south of the Ramada at 2240 North 12th Street-Bismarck, North Dakota. (701)751-3313. Rates: \$89/night.

The Days Inn

The Days Inn is located just south of Interstate 94 and .3 mi south of the Ramada at 1300 East Capitol Avenue-Bismarck, North Dakota. (701)223-9151. Rates: \$80.10/night.

Registration

Please print and utilize one form per registrant. To register, send form along with payment to NAI Heartland Region Registration, PO Box 708, Washburn, ND 58577. Confirmation will be emailed confirming your registration and payment.

Full Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

Job Title: _____ Organization: _____

Workshop Fees

Register before 3/15/16 to receive Early Bird discount. Registrations postmarked after 3/15/16 pay in full. Registration fee of non-members includes membership.

	NAI Member:	Non- Member:	Student:
Early Bird Rate- Full Workshop	\$260	\$335	\$135
Early Bird Rate- One Day	\$150	\$190	\$90
Full Workshop	\$285	\$360	\$160
One Day	\$175	\$215	\$115

Total Amount Due _____

Make checks payable to NAI Heartland Region Registration. Credit cards will be accepted online at <http://naiheartlandregion.weebly.com/>.

Cancellation

*Cancellations must be made in writing to address above and postmarked no later than 3/15/16. There will be a non-refundable process fee of \$40.

Off-site Sessions (Please circle choice): Morning : Natural Cultural Energy Afternoon Choice: Natural Cultural Energy

Auction Item Donated?

Yes _____ -If yes, please bring item(s) to registration table by 8am Thursday, April 7th.

No _____

Special Meal Requirements: Vegetarian _____ Other _____

Need Special Accommodations (Please provide written description): _____

*Please note the Ramada does not have an elevator. Request room accordingly.

Yes, I would like to volunteer! _____ Please check the area(s) that you'd be interested in assisting. Thanks!
____ Introduce Speakers ____ Auction/Fundraiser Assistant ____ Concurrent Session Monitor
____ Off-site Assistant

*For questions regarding registration, please contact Courtney Doll (cdoll@bnicoal.com/ (701) 391-5757). Follow NAI Heartland Region on Facebook or <http://naiheartlandregion.weebly.com/> to keep up to date!