

NIA 102ND ANNUAL CONVENTION



OCTOBER 6-9, 2024

Omni Providence Hotel

Providence, Rhode Island



For more information visit www.northeasternice.com

2024 NIA ANNUAL CONVENTION SCHEDULE



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024	
11:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration
12:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Supplier/Exhibitor Set Up
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Welcome Reception with Suppliers
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024	
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Breakfast with Suppliers
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Welcome & Annual Business Meeting
10:00 am - 10:30am	Supplier Presentations
10:30 am - 11:15am	Focus Session /Roundtable Discussion
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Optional Activity - Offsite Equipment workshop - Eastern Ice (30 min drive) <i>No addtl fee for NIA members</i>
11:30 am	Lunch on Own/Open Afternoon
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Optional Activity - Providence Downtown tour (<i>with local tour guide and mini-bus</i>)
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Pub/Taproom Meet up
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024	
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Breakfast with Suppliers
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Supplier Presentations
10:00 am - 11:30 am	Education Session/Roundtables
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	IPIA Update - <i>Steve Ward, IPIA Chairman & Arctic Glacier</i>
12:30 pm	Depart for Plant Tour (<i>transportation provided</i>)
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Ice Plant Tour & Clambake Lunch - <i>Eastern River - Fall River, MA</i>
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Return from Plant Tour
6:30 pm - 9:30 pm	NIA Closing Reception & Dinner

**Additional Fees apply

HOTEL INFORMATION



THE OMNI PROVIDENCE HOTEL is a charming Rhode Island hotel that offers elevated accommodations with sweeping views of the downtown skyline. The hotel is conveniently located near top destinations in downtown Providence and is ideally positioned for a perfect getaway in New England.



SLEEPING ROOM RATE - Our special NIA rate is \$229 per night (Single or Double Room), \$259 (Triple), \$289 (Quad), plus 15% state and local taxes, and fees. Reservations must be guaranteed with a deposit of one night's stay.

CANCELLATION - Group rooms require 72-hours cancellation to avoid penalty.

PARKING - Valet parking is available at \$34.00 for overnight parking, or \$16.00 for event valet.

RESERVATIONS CUTOFF DATE - *We have a hotel cutoff date of Friday, September 13, 2024, or until room block fills up.* Please be sure to book your hotel room early! After this date (or if the room block is full), the special NIA rate may no longer be available.

AIRPORT - Rhode Island T. F. Green International Airport (PVD) is located 15 minutes (10 miles) away from the Omni Providence Hotel. Transportation between the two can be done by car, taxi, or rideshare (i.e. Uber, Lyft).

EDUCATION SESSIONS - Come join us for discussions and round tables on current industry topics.

EXHIBITORS/SUPPLIERS - NIA suppliers share presentations about updates to equipment and new technologies in our industry. Industry members and suppliers have many opportunities to network throughout the convention.

OPTIONAL EVENTS

ICE EQUIPMENT WORKSHOP - *(Offsite)*
Monday, October 7, 2024, 12:00pm - 5pm

This will be our first NIA Equipment Workshop. We are planning to host it at the Eastern Ice plant in Fall River MA (*Members will need to have transportation. We will help with shared rides if needed as it is a 30-40 minute drive*)

COST - No cost for NIA Members but advance RSVP required.



NIA PROVIDENCE DOWNTOWN TOUR

**Monday, Oct. 7, 2024,
2:30pm - 4:30pm**

Come join your NIA friends explore the capital of Rhode Island, Providence, on

a sightseeing bus tour that departs right from our host hotel. A local guide will share the city's top attractions including Brown University, Benefit Street, local parks and give you us the opportunity to walk around the historic Federal Hill neighborhood.

COST - \$42.00 per person

ICE PLANT TOUR/CLAM BAKE
Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 12:30pm - 3:45pm

We are excited to announce that Eastern Ice is hosting us for a plant tour and true New England clam bake at their Eastern River - Fall River, MA Plant.



The plant is 22 miles (approx. 30 -40 minute) drive from Providence and the tour & lunch are included as part of the NIA registration fee (*advance RSVP is required*).

NORTHEASTERN ICE ASSOCIATION (NIA) 2024 CONVENTION

OMNI PROVIDENCE HOTEL - PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is being handled by Suncoast Meetings and Events and is available at northeasternice.com.

All hotel rooms need to be booked through the NIA sleeping room block/link as the Association has made financial commitments with the hotel that depend on us filling our room block.

Please Register Online at www.northeasternice.com/convention (online registration will be available after May 20, 2024)

Company Name

Attendee Name

Attendee Spouse (from the same company)

Company Address

City/State/Zip

Email

Office

Phone

Cell Phone

REGISTRATION FEE	Early Bird Registration (on or before August 25th)	Regular Registration (after August 25th)	Late Registration (after September 23rd)
Industry/Supplier (or Spouse)	\$450	\$525	\$575
Non-Member Industry only (or Spouse)	\$575	\$650	\$700

Supplier/Exhibitor Fee of \$175

This fee of \$175 per company includes a 6-foot draped exhibit table and helps to cover the costs for the Welcome Reception and (2) breakfasts with Suppliers.

Suppliers attending must pay the Supplier fee if they want to attend the convention. Exhibitors are responsible for any additional cost, if bringing in special equipment.

OPTIONAL EVENTS (RSVP Required-please indicate quantity of people attending)

___ Equipment Workshop - Offsite - Eastern Ice (Monday, October 7, 2024 - Price: No cost to NIA Members

___ NIA Providence Downtown Tour (Monday, October 7, 2024, 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm) - Price: \$42 per person

___ Ice Plant Tour & Clam Bake lunch - Eastern Ice (Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 12:30 pm - 3:45 pm) - Price: Cost is included in your NIA registration, but advance RSVP is required. Transportation will be available.

HOTEL INFORMATION - NIA members will contact the Omni Providence Hotel directly to make reservations. We have a limited room block so we recommend making reservations ASAP. **Our special NIA rate per night is \$229 per night (Single/Double), \$259 (Triple), \$289 (Quad).** Room rates are subject to local taxes and fees which are currently 15%.

SLEEPING ROOM RESERVATIONS - Phone reservations can be made by calling 1 (800) 843-6664 and reference rate code **NIA**.

HOTEL CANCELLATION POLICY - The hotel cancellation policy is (72) hours before 4pm of the guest's check in date. If a reservation is canceled after this time the hotel will charge the credit card for (1) nights room and tax.

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS -

___ Number of people registered for the convention (Member rate) - see prices above

___ Number of people registered for the convention (Non-member rate - industry only) - see prices above

___ Number of people registered for the optional Equipment Workshop (RSVP required) No cost for NIA members

___ Number of people registered for the optional NIA Providence Downtown Tour

___ Number of people registered for Ice Plant Tour/Clam Bake Lunch (no fee applies but advanced RSVP is required)

___ Supplier/Exhibitor fee (\$175 per company)

TOTAL DUE _____

CHECK PAYMENTS - Please make checks payable to **Northeastern Ice Association** and mail to: **NIA * 32 Rolling Meadow Drive * Bangor, Maine 04401**

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS - Please contact Suncoast Meetings & Events directly if you need to do a credit card payment at nia@suncoastmeetings.com or (813) 852-1977. There is a 4% handling fee added to the invoice of those choosing to pay by credit card.

NIA CONVENTION CANCELLATION POLICY - The first day of the Convention is defined as Sunday, October 6, 2024. A refund of registration fees will be granted if the request is made 30 days prior to the opening registration day of the convention minus a \$50 process fee. There is no charge for substitutions or name changes. For a cancellation within 8 - 29 days, there will be a \$100 processing fee deducted from the refund. No refunds within 7 days of the beginning of the convention (September 29, 2024).

For any convention questions, please contact Suncoast Meetings at nia@suncoastmeetings.com or (813) 852-1977.