

**46th NSAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**The Grove Hotel, Boise, Idaho**  
**May 21-24, 2024**  
**Draft Agenda**

Date/Time	Topic	Speakers
<b>Tuesday, May 21 (pre-conference activities)</b>		
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Landing	Conference Registration	
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Landing	Continental Breakfast	
<b>NSAA Committee Meetings</b>		
8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Audit Standards/Reporting	Staci Henshaw (VA), Chair
8:45 – 9:40 a.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Single Audit	Sherrill Norman (FL), Chair
9:40 – 9:55 a.m.	Break	
9:55 – 10:45 a.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Peer Review	April Renfro (ID), NSAA President and Chair
10:45 – 11:35 a.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Performance Audit	Scott Frank (WA), Chair
11:35 – 1:00 p.m.	Break for Lunch ( <b>Lunch is <i>not</i> provided</b> )	
1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Principal Summit ( <b>Principal Members Only</b> )	Moderated by April Renfro (ID) NSAA President and Doug Ringler (MI) NSAA President-Elect
2:30 - 2:40 p.m.	Break	
2:40 – 4:10 p.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Principal Summit (Continued)	
4:10 – 4:20 p.m.	Break	
4:20 – 4:50 p.m. Aspen 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	NSAA Executive Committee  <b>NOTE:</b> Only those committees needing Executive Committee action need to report.	April Renfro (ID), NSAA President, presiding
<b>Wednesday, May 22</b>		
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Landing	Breakfast <i>Sponsored by</i>	
8:00 – 8:10 a.m. Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Conference Opening Remarks</i>	<i>April Renfro, Legislative Auditor (ID) and NSAA President</i>
8:10 – 9:25 a.m. (75 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>AI and its Impact on State Audit Offices</i>  Key Takeaway: This session will discuss how various forms of artificial intelligence will influence the profession in the future.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Ben Rogers, Data Scientist (WA)</i>

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9:25 – 9:45 a.m.	Break	
9:45 – 10:35 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Independence Challenges in Iowa</i>  Key Takeaway: Learn how the Iowa office is working through challenging legislation to complete the state's ACFR and Single Audit.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Rob Sand, State Auditor (IA)</i>
10:40 – 11:30 a.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Protecting Data in a Post-Pandemic World</i>  Key Takeaway: This session will cover different analytical approaches and tools to protect information.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Information Technology	<i>Katja Freeman, Principal with Diligent</i> <b>State Speaker TBD</b>
11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Landing	Lunch <b>Sponsored by</b>	
12:45 – 1:35 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Reading Between the Lines</i>  Key Takeaway: Find out how to ask better questions to avoid missing key information in audits.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Brandon Waldren, Forensic Accounting Consultant, Eide Bailly</i> <i>Doug Cash, Forensic Accounting Consultant, Eide Bailly</i> <i>Seth Overson, Manager, Utah Office of the State Auditor</i>
1:40 – 2:30 p.m. (50 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Procurement Card Fraud: A Case Study</i>  Key Takeaway: Learn about the Maine State Auditor's key role in revealing a fraud scheme.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Matt Dunlap, State Auditor (ME)</i> <b>Other Speaker TBD</b>
2:30 – 2:50 p.m.	Break	
2:50 – 4:30 p.m. (100 minutes) Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Emerging Issues Roundtable</i>  Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about emerging challenges and brainstorm ideas to face them.  FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Scott Frank, Director of Performance and IT Audit (WA)</i>
5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Terrace 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor	New Member Reception <b>(All Attendees Welcome)</b> <i>Sponsored by Bronner</i>	
<b>Thursday, May 23</b>		
7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Landing	Breakfast <b>Sponsored by</b>	

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<b>8:00 – 8:50 a.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Story-Based and Graphical Audit Reports: Communicating Information More Visually and Effectively  <b>Moderator:</b> <b>FOS:</b> Auditing - Governmental	<i>Nick Kolitsos, Audit Principal California State Auditor's Office</i> <i>Michelle Sanders, Audit Principal, California State Auditor's Office</i>
<b>8:50 - 9:05 a.m.</b>	Break	
<b>9:05 – 9:55 a.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Internal Auditing: The Current Landscape across State Governments</i>  Key Takeaway: Learn how internal audit functions are/should be operating vis-à-vis state audit functions located in the Executive or Legislative branches or separately elected.  <b>Moderator:</b> <b>FOS:</b> Auditing - Governmental	<i>Gila Bronner, CEO, Bronner</i> <i>Bob Hinkle, Chief Deputy Auditor (OH)</i> <i>George Kennedy, State Auditor (SC)</i> <i>Frank Mautino, Auditor General (IL)</i>
<b>10:00 – 10:50 a.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Communicating Effectively with Legislatures</i>  Key Takeaway: This session will help you communicate key audit findings effectively to legislatures and the public.  <b>Moderator:</b> <b>FOS:</b> Communications and Marketing	<i>Ian McKnight, State Training and Development Manager, Levin Center for Oversight and Democracy</i> <i>Doug Ringler, Michigan Auditor General</i>
<b>10:50 – 11:10 a.m.</b>	Break	
<b>11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Ethics: A Holistic Approach</i>  Key Takeaway: Attendees will get tips on applying behavioral ethics principles to enhance objectivity, detect unethical behavior, and provide recommendations to deter its occurrence.  <b>Moderator:</b> <b>FOS:</b> Behavioral Ethics	<i>Jim Lager, Chief Ethics Adviser GAO</i>
<b>12:00 – 1:00 p.m.</b> Landing	Lunch <b>Sponsored by</b>	
<b>1:00 – 1:20 p.m.</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Recognition of William R. Snodgrass Distinguished Leadership Award Winner	<i>Presented by April Renfro (ID) with message from awardee</i>
<b>1:25 – 2:15 p.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>GAO Professional Standard Update</i>  Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about the key changes in the 2024 Yellow Book.  <b>Moderator:</b> <b>FOS:</b> Auditing - Governmental	<i>Jim Dalkin, Director of Financial Management and Assurance GAO</i>
<b>2:15 – 2:30 p.m.</b>	Break	

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<b>2:30 – 3:45 p.m.</b> <b>(75 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Single Audit Update</i>  Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear about the key changes and issues for 2024 Single Audits.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Auditing - Governmental	<i>Tammie Brown, Director, HHS</i> <i>Stephanie Palmertree, Principal, Novum</i>
<b>3:45 – 3:55 p.m.</b>	Dismiss non-members and change room.	
<b>3:55 – 5:00 p.m.</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>NSAA Business Meeting, April Renfro, NSAA President, Presiding</i>	(NSAA Members Only)
<b>5:30 – 7:00 p.m.</b> Terrace 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor	Evening Reception <i>Sponsored by Workiva</i>	
<b>Friday, May 24</b>		
<b>7:00 – 8:15 a.m.</b> Landing	Breakfast <b>Sponsored by</b>	
<b>8:00 – 8:15 a.m.</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>President and Excellence in Accountability Winner Photos</i>	(Only Awardees and NSAA President present)
<b>8:15 – 9:05 a.m.</b> <b>(50 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>GASB Update</i>  Key Takeaway: Attendees will hear directly from GASB about new GAAP standards and projects.  <b>Moderator:</b> FOS: Accounting - Governmental	<i>Joel Black, Chairman, GASB</i> <i>Alan Skelton, Director of Research and Technical Activities, GASB</i> <i>Dianne Ray, GASB Board Member</i>
<b>9:05 – 9:20 a.m.</b>	Break	
<b>9:20 – 11:15 a.m.</b> <b>(115 minutes)</b> Ballroom 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	<i>Recognition of and Presentations by NSAA's Excellence in Accountability Award Winners</i>  Introduction: Dan Crossman (5 Minutes)  Special Project: (25-27 Minutes)  Forensic Report: (25-27 Minutes)  Small Performance Audit: (25-27 Minutes)  Large Performance Audit: (25-27 Minutes)  FOS: Auditing – Governmental	<i>Moderator: Dan Crossman, Legislative Auditor (NV) and NSAA Excellence in Accountability Committee Chair</i>
<b>11:15 – 11:20 a.m.</b>	<i>Conference Adjournment</i>	<i>April Renfro, State Auditor (ID)</i>

## **CPE Information**

### Learning Objectives:

At the conclusion of this conference, participants will be able to:

- Discuss changes to the roles and responsibilities of state auditors
- Identify and discuss upcoming changes to standards issued by professional standard setters
- Identify and address challenges in recruiting and developing staff
- Apply practical information learned through case studies from peer offices and organizations

### Level of Knowledge:

Overview.

### Education or Experience Prerequisite:

No prerequisites are required.

### Advance Preparation:

No advance preparation is required.

### Fields of Study:

Sessions will be offered in fields of study including Accounting (Governmental), Auditing (Governmental), Communications and Marketing, Information Technology and Personal Development.

### Delivery Method:

Group-Live. All sessions include Q&A opportunities.

### CPE:

17.5 credits for two- and one-half days.

### Attendance Requirements:

To obtain CPE credit for this event, participants must check in to each session and submit attendance verification codes provided during each session.

### Refunds, Cancellations and Complaints:

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