

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

Pre-Conference Hike in Sedona

8:30 a.m. Doe Mesa Trail – Meet in Lobby of Hilton Sedona

Lunch on Your Own

11:30 - 1:00 p.m.

“Staying Out of the Headlines” Ethics and the Decisions We Make

1:00 - 1:50 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Area: 1

Facilitator: Jerene Watson, Life Member, ACMA & Interim City Manager, Douglas

Speakers: Mike Letcher, Senior Advisor and Life Member, ACMA

Pat McDermott, Senior Advisor and Life Member, ACMA

Recycling in the Red

2:00 - 2:50 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 7, 8, 10, 12

Facilitator: Mario Saldamando, Acting Deputy City Clerk, Goodyear

Speakers: Joe Giudice, Assistant Public Works Director, Phoenix
Scott Pasternak, Senior Project Manager/Associate, Burns & McDonnell
Ramona Simpson, Environmental Programs Manager, Queen Creek

“M & Mingle” Break and Networking

2:50 - 3:10 p.m. Canyon Prefunction

Facilitator: Mary Jacobs, Town Manager, Oro Valley

Building a Talent Pipeline for the Future

3:10 - 4:10 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 6, 7, 13

Facilitator: George Pettit, Professor of Practice, Arizona State University School of Public Affairs

Speakers: Justin Finnerty, Assistant Director of Employment Engagement, University of Arizona

Rachel Hudgens, Marvin Andrews Fellow, ASU School of Public Affairs

John Huerta, President, University of Arizona ICMA Student Chapter

Mackenzie Letcher, Keane Scholar, University of Arizona

Alison Matthees, Marvin Andrews Fellow, ASU School of Public Affairs

Does Wellness Work? How to Save Money While Improving Benefits and Culture

4:20 - 5:20 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Area: 5

Speakers: Mike Townsend, Deputy County Manager, Coconino County

Katie Wittekind, Wellness Program Manager, Coconino County

Sponsor & Welcome Reception

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Canyon Prefunction

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

Continental Breakfast

7:30 - 9:15 a.m. Canyon Prefunction and Patio

Incivility and Political Dysfunction: What Can We Do About It?

8:00 - 9:30 a.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 2, 5, 9

Facilitator: Victoria Yarbrough, Assistant City Manager, Sierra Vista

Speakers: Dr. Carolyn Lukensmeyer, Executive Director, National Institute for Civil Discourse

Engagement Before Content

9:40 - 10:30 a.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Area: 2, 3, 9

Speakers: Jennifer Gastelum, Engagement Specialist, Mesa Arts Center

Thomas J. Stanton, Engagement Manager, Mesa Arts Center

Mandy Tripoli, Director of Community-Engaged Practice, Mesa Arts Center

Learning Lab: Solar Energy and Artificial Intelligence

10:40 - 11:20 a.m. Canyon Ballroom

Facilitators: Natalie Lewis, Deputy City Manager, Mesa & Victoria Yarbrough, Assistant City Manager, Sierra Vista

Speakers: Keith Laake, Cost Control Associates
Lee Greene, ZenCity

Pensions: Problems, Reality and Possible Solutions

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 7, 12

Facilitator: Matthew Williams, City Manager, Huachuca City

Speakers: Kevin Phelps, City Manager, Glendale

Lunch and Annual Business Meeting Sponsored by HPACT

12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Tequa Ballroom

Facilitator: Shane Dille, Deputy City Manager, Flagstaff & 2018 President, ACMA

All attendees are welcome to attend the annual business meeting in the Tequa Ballroom.

Leadership and Motivation

2:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 5, 6

Facilitator: Natalie Lewis, Deputy City Manager, Mesa

Speaker: Dean Coughenour, Risk Manager, Flagstaff

Concurrent Session: Managers' Corner*

2:00 - 3:40 p.m. Oak Creek Canyon | ICMA Practice Area: 6

Session open to City, Town and County Managers. Pre-registration is required

Facilitators: Tim Pickering, President & CEO, IPM; Credentialed City Manager, Certified Economic Developer

Bryant Powell, City Manager, Apache Junction

Senior Advisor Meetings

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. Oak Creek Suite

How to Get Where You're Trying to Go

3:00 - 3:40 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Area: 5

Facilitator: Natalie Lewis, Deputy City Manager, Mesa

Speaker: Drew Gorgey, Vice President, Western Region, Peckham & McKenney

“Network Blitz” Break and Networking Sponsored by Cox

3:40 - 4:00 p.m. Canyon Ballroom

Facilitator: Mary Jacobs, Town Manager, Oro Valley

Managers' Corner Update

4:00 - 4:15 p.m. Canyon Ballroom

A Tale of Two Cities: Honoring the Needs of Residents Who Are Housed, While Serving Those Who Are Not

4:20 p.m. - 5:20 p.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 3, 9, 10

Facilitator: Stephen Erno, Neighborhood Services Manager, Chandler

Speakers: Riann Balch, Community Resources Manager, Chandler Neighborhood Resources Department

Scott Hall, Homelessness Projects Program Manager, Maricopa

County Human Services Department

Aaron Raine, Detective, Mesa Police Department

Board Meeting

5:30 - 6:15 p.m. Juniper Room

Reception

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Oak Creek Canyon

Recognition Banquet & Awards Ceremony

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Canyon Ballroom

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Networking Breakfast

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Legislative Update

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Area: 8

Speakers: Ken Strobeck, Executive Director, League of Arizona Cities and Towns

Craig Sullivan, Executive Director, County Supervisors Association

“We've Always Done it That Way” is Over:

Transform From the Status Quo to the Status Go

9:10 - 10:10 a.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 4, 6, 10

Facilitator: Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager, Avondale

Speakers: Patrick Banger, Town Manager, Gilbert

Patrick Ibarra, Co-Founder and Partner, The Mejorando Group

John Kross, Town Manager, Queen Creek

Municipal Challenges From a Different Point of View

10:20 - 11:40 a.m. Canyon Ballroom | ICMA Practice Areas: 7, 8, 9

Facilitator: Heather Personne, Principal, Point B

Speakers: Trevor Barger, President/CEO, Espiritu Loci Incorporated and Principal at Arizona Strategies

Lance Ross, President, Ross Property Advisors

Conference Concludes

11:45 a.m.

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