



AOLS 2024 AGM: 132nd Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, Feb 27: Doubletree by Hilton (Ballroom 3 West)

07:00 PM - 11:59 PM

Meet & Greet

Doubletree by Hilton (Ballroom 3 West)

Social and Networking

The AOLS has established a tradition of holding a Meet and Greet event on Tuesday evenings. We invite everyone to take the opportunity participate in this engaging event and interact with members, exhibitors, and all our friends within the profession.

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

09:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Opening Ceremony

CPD: 1 Hour Professional

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Ceremony

Meeting

We are delighted to extend a cordial invitation to you to attend the Opening Ceremony of our distinguished gathering. This event promises to be a memorable start to our proceedings, featuring a series of notable speakers and important introductions. The ceremony will commence with opening remarks from our esteemed President, Dave Kovacs, followed by a heartfelt rendition of "O Canada". President Kovacs will then extend a warm welcome to all attendees, setting the tone for the event. We are honored to have the Mayor of London, Josh Morgan, and the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Honorable Graydon Smith, join us. ...

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Keynote Address: Artificial Intelligence and the Power of Creative Thinking with David Usher

CPD: 1 Hour Professional

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Keynote Address

David Usher

We are delighted to extend a special invitation to you for an extraordinary keynote speech by the multi-talented David Usher, a Juno Award-winning musician and a recognized expert in creativity and artificial intelligence. About the Keynote Speech: Alongside his incredible music career, David Usher has also worked with large language models and generative AI for the past eight years. He is the founder of Reimagine AI, a company that builds interactive AI-powered virtual beings for entertainment and healthcare, specifically for memory and Alzheimer's patients. His journey from musician to AI CEO mirrors the journey that every person, company, and institution must undertake ...

Wednesday, Feb 28: Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM

Lunch with Exhibitors

\$40 + HST

Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

Social and Networking

Are you ready to mix and mingle with the brightest minds in the industry? We are thrilled to invite you to an exclusive networking lunch at the Exhibit Hall, where opportunities to connect with peers, catch up with old friends, and forge new partnerships are on the menu! Join this experience in the heart of the Exhibit Hall, where you'll have the chance to unwind and engage in meaningful conversations with industry leaders and innovators. This is more than just a lunch; it's a vibrant networking hub where the exchange of ideas is as rich as the dishes being served. Our exhibitors ...

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM

Plenary Session with Dr. Brian Ballantyne

CPD: 1 Hour Professional

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Plenary Session

Brian Ballantyne

Brian Ballantyne will take the stage to delve into the the need for, and diversity of land surveyors, and a variety of topics that are critical to our industry's growth and evolution. About the Session: To further its professional governance mandate, ALSA posed three questions in 2022: How many ALSs are needed by 2033, can this need be met, and will ALSA be diverse? The answers are that 575 ALSs will be needed, conventional supply cannot meet demand, and ALSA is not diverse. We set out 15 recommendations to implement five strategies: Change the narrative; engage with Grade 9 and Grade 12 ...

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

02:00 PM - 02:30 PM

AOLS Updates and Reports

CPD: 1 Hour Professional

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Meeting

Marketing Update
CBA Application Report

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM

Changes to the Surveyors Act

CPD: 1 Hour Formal

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Meeting

Wednesday, Feb 28: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

04:00 PM - 05:00 PM

Open Forum: Part 1

CPD: 1 Hour Professional

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Meeting

We are excited to invite you to participate in our Open Forum, an interactive platform designed for open dialogue, exchange of ideas, and collaborative thinking. This is your opportunity to engage with industry peers, share your insights, and contribute to shaping the future of our field. We encourage you to take an active role in this discussion. Your participation is not only welcome – it's essential for the growth and advancement of our industry.

Wednesday, Feb 28: Doubletree by Hilton (Grand Ballroom West)

06:00 PM - 08:30 PM

Veterans' Dinner

\$100 + HST

Doubletree by Hilton (Grand Ballroom West)

Ceremony

Social and Networking

We are proud to extend an exclusive invitation to our valued Ontario Land Surveyor veterans for the upcoming Veterans Dinner, an event that celebrates your unwavering dedication and the significant milestones you have achieved in our profession. This distinguished event is a tribute to your years of service and is open solely to veterans and their guests. It is an occasion to honor the commitment that has defined your careers and to share in the fellowship that only years of shared experiences can bring. During the dinner, we will be recognizing our "new" veterans – those who have reached the notable 25-year mark since ...

Wednesday, Feb 28: Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

07:30 PM - 11:00 PM

Welcoming Party

Kick-Off the Event with Innovation and Generosity at the Welcoming Party!

Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

Social and Networking

Get ready to step into an evening of innovation and generosity at our Welcoming Party, where the industry's latest innovations and a desire to make a difference come together. We cordially invite all attendees to join us for an event that promises to be as enriching as it is enjoyable. As you mingle with friends, colleagues, and thought leaders, you'll be treated to an exquisite selection of passed hors d'oeuvres and amuse-bouche, crafted to delight your palate. These culinary delights will be complemented by a cash bar, available throughout the event to quench your thirst and keep the conversations flowing. But the ...

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 7 (RBC Place London)

08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

How Does Your Business Measure Up?: Navigating the Business Journey for Ontario Land Surveyors (Round 1)

CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 7 (RBC Place London)

Morning Concurrent Session

Cher Cunningham

CEO, Podium Prosperity Group

Jim Pelot

Podium Prosperity Group

With Cher Cunningham & Jim Pelot of Podium Prosperity Group (Corporate Wealth Management) & Tradewinds Group (Business Advisory Team) Estimated Duration: 50 minutes What if your business could be even better—could run more smoothly and deliver greater profits? When you go beyond revenue as a measure of success, you can dig into powerful tools (business levers) that allow you to fine tune your business and grow your efficiency and profit to new levels. Learn the journey all successful businesses follow, and the five business levers you need to pull so that you can leverage your existing success to streamline and grow your ...

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

The Future of Survey Law (Round 1)

CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

Morning Concurrent Session

IZAAK DE RIJCKE

Four Point Learning

Estimated Time: 50 Minutes We have long accepted the importance of an undergraduate education in survey law subjects as essential to the competencies which a cadastral land surveyor must have. However, as we reflect on these essential skills, we also have to anticipate change as the common law continues to evolve. It doesn't stop when we receive our commission. In this presentation the challenges today and threats we might face tomorrow are identified, discussed and addressed in ways we might not expect.

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 6 (RBC Place London)

08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

Construction Layout Best Practices (Round 1)

CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 6 (RBC Place London)

Morning Concurrent Session

Joe Young

President & CEO, J.D. Barnes Limited Group of Companies, J.D. Barnes Limited

Tom Packowski

Chair, Continuing Education Committee and Consultant to the SRD, BSc., OLS, OLIP

Construction Layout is one of the many services offered by the Professional Land Surveyor. Unfortunately, it continues to be the source of many avoidable errors and liability claims against the practitioner. Join Joe and Tom as they review several incidents and case scenarios. How did the issue arise? What in-house policies and procedures could be in place to lessen the frequency of such problems? What should you consider before deciding if a construction project is appropriate for your Firm?

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

Reference System Modernization in Canada and Ontario (Round 1)

CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

Morning Concurrent Session

Catherine Robin

NRCan

Ron Berg

Ministry of Transportation Ontario

In October 2022, NRCan's Canadian Geodetic Survey announced the decision to adopt NATRF2022 in parallel with US adoption, and to adopt a new realization of CGVD2013 using a geoid model consistent with the one realizing the new US height system. This modernization is planned for 2025; CGS will provide transformation parameters, updated coordinates, gridded geodetic models, and updated web tools to enable access to and migration towards the new reference frames. Implementation in Ontario is expected by 2030 with coordinate updates to the Ontario High Precision Network and province-specific transformation tools.

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 7 (RBC Place London)

09:45 AM - 10:45 AM

How Does Your Business Measure Up?: Navigating the Business Journey for Ontario Land Surveyors (Round 2)

CPD: 1.0 Hour Formal

Ballroom 7 (RBC Place London)

Mid-Morning Concurrent Session

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11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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CPD: 1.0 Hour (Formal)

Ballroom 7 (RBC Place London)

Late-Morning Concurrent Session

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CPD: 1 Hour Formal

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12:10 PM - 12:50 PM

Optimized Survey Workflows Incorporating Lidar Datasets by Cansel

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

In an initiative to support the Canadian surveying and engineering industry, Cansel has developed a complete set of standards (CAN-FLOW) which will enable your organization to follow industry best practices in data flow and process automation. In the engineering world, data flows through different phases from initial planning, survey, design, stakeout, build/construction, as-built, etc. The figure below shows the life cycle, starting with initial planning where BIM tools like Civil 3D, Infracore for example, can be used to integrate data sources for base plan creation and preliminary estimation. CAN-FLOW will also guide the user through best practices in the surveying ...

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

12:10 PM - 12:50 PM

Photogrammetric Processing and Utilization of Resultant Products

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

This session will demonstrate how to process photographs and ground control points from drone missions into point clouds and orthomosaics and how to subsequently utilize those products in CADD. About the Presenter: Gary Rosen is a Regional Sales Director for Canada for Carlson Software. Gary has been working in the land surveying profession since 1979. His primary focus is the utilization of CADD in the office workspace to help organizations of all sizes to facilitate the successful implementation of evolving technologies and achieve maximum productivity, efficiency, and profit.

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

01:00 PM - 01:40 PM

Effectively Building & Utilizing your Investment Savings by Logan Wealth Management

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Professional

Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

Julie Brough

Executive Vice President & Portfolio Manager, Logan Wealth Management

Sanjay Makkar

Associate Portfolio Manager, Logan Wealth Management

This presentation will discuss key points and strategies to maximize the value of your investment savings as well as tips to manage the decumulation stages. This will look at the tax structures of different accounts and how to utilize them for saving and prioritize accounts during the withdrawal stage.

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

01:40 PM - 02:20 PM

Leveraging the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program to Attract and Retain Global Talent by Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Professional

Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

Shaloma Gauthier

Manager Immigration Promotion and Employer Outreach Unit, Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training, and Skills Development (MLITSD)

Discover the key to meeting workforce needs and driving business success in Ontario! Join us for an informative presentation with a representative from the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training, and Skills Development (MLITSD). Together, we'll explore how the Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (OINP) can be an immigration pathway to retain or attract highly skilled foreign workers. About the Presenter(s): Shaloma Gauthier, Manager Immigration Promotion and Employer Outreach Unit. Shaloma has held several management roles with the Ontario Public Service (OPS). As the Manager of the Immigration Promotion and Employer Outreach Unit with the Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development, Shaloma ...

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 6 (RBC Place London)

01:40 PM - 02:20 PM

Drone Lidar in the "Street BIM" Lifecycle presented by Balko Tech

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Formal

Ballroom 6 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

Referencing an article by Simon Vidal, who explains the stages of a Street BIM project. The presentation will go into each stage which the municipality will work through from beginning to end of this kind of project. They include: PHASE 1- Planning and Public Consultation PHASE 2 – PRELIMINARY DRAFT PHASE 3 – PRE-ANALYSIS PHASE 4 – DESIGN PHASE 5 – REALIZATION PHASE 6- MANAGEMENT. The presentation will explain in detail why surveyors are important in this process and how drone lidar is helping to assist. About the Presenter: Johnathan Smeh - Project Manager and GIS Expert. Johnathan has worked in the commercial Drone industry for nearly a ...

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

01:50 PM - 02:30 PM

PSRI Loading by Mike Power of iLOOKABOUT

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Professional

Ballroom 2 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

Mike Power

Join Mike in this session for an insightful presentation of the PSRI (Professional Surveyors Records Information) system, focusing on its robust Record Search and Record Load features. Discover how these tools can streamline your workflow by efficiently searching for survey records and seamlessly uploading new data. This session will provide valuable tips and demonstrate how leveraging these features can enhance your productivity and accuracy in managing survey records. Whether you're new to PSRI or looking to refine your skills, this presentation is designed to equip you with the knowledge to make the most of the system's capabilities.

Thursday, Feb 29: Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

02:40 PM - 03:20 PM

Road Topo - Simplified with Affordable Technology by Brandt Positioning

Exhibitor Presentation Series - CPD: 1 Hour Professional

Ballroom 3 (RBC Place London)

Exhibitor Presentation Series

Shane Tesser

Sales Manager, Brandt Positioning

With the ever-deteriorating state of municipal roads and major and minor highways as well as the government's initiatives to improve infrastructure, the business of Road Construction and Improvement is an ever-inviting project option to a surveyor. Revolutionary, Compact, Affordable, Mobile downward scanning technology allows optimal road surface definition for pre-engineering and as-built road Topo's to be completed sitting in the cab of your pickup truck. Speed scan without lane closures, safely collect millions of points using an easy to install and remove kit for daily use. The presentation will cover the concept, quick installation, easy data collection, data processing and applications.

Thursday, Feb 29: Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

03:00 PM - 05:00 PM

Maureen's Retirement Cocktail Party

Exhibit Hall (RBC Place London - Ballroom 4 & 5)

Social and Networking

Join us in raising a glass to honor the remarkable career of Maureen Mountjoy at her retirement Cocktail Party on February 29, from 3pm to 5pm. As the second female surveyor licensed in 1978 and a steadfast Deputy Registrar for AOLS for 23 years, Maureen has been a guiding force, mentor, and friend to many within our community. Her dedication to the profession and her role as the meticulous editor of the Ontario Professional Surveyor Magazine for over two decades have left an indelible mark on the industry. Let's come together at the AGM in London to celebrate Maureen's legendary career ...

Thursday, Feb 29: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

06:00 PM - 11:30 PM

Convocation and President's Dinner

\$150 + HST

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Ceremony

Social and Networking

Sponsored by: Raikes Geomatics Inc. Dearden and Stanton Limited Join us for an evening of recognition and inspiration at the Convocation Ceremony and President's Dinner, a prestigious event that celebrates the achievements and milestones within the Ontario Land Surveyors community. We are proud to honour the newest members of our profession, the Ontario Land Surveyors who have received their commissions since the 2023 convention. This Convocation Ceremony is not just a formality; it is a heartfelt welcome into a community dedicated to excellence, integrity, and the advancement of land surveying. The highlight of the ceremony will be the Charge to the New ...

Friday, Mar 01: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

09:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Business Meeting

CPD: 1.5 Professional Hours

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Meeting

We invite you to participate in the Business Session at our upcoming Annual General Meeting. This session is a cornerstone of our AGM, providing a platform for transparency, discussion, and strategic planning. The session will be composed of critical reports and updates that are vital to the ongoing success and evolution of our profession. The session will include: The Sgt-At-Arms announcement of fines issued, ensuring our commitment to order and professionalism is upheld during the event. Various Reports, including the Surveyor General's Report. This Business Session is an invaluable opportunity for you to stay informed about the inner workings of our Association, contribute to ...

Friday, Mar 01: RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Open Forum Part 2 and Closing Ceremony

CPD: 1.25 Professional Hours

RBC Place London (Ballroom 1 & 8)

Meeting

The meeting will continue with a brief presentation on PSRI by Mike Powers, followed shortly by Open Forum: Part II. The AGM will conclude with the Closing Ceremony.



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