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EXPLORING THE HIDDEN GEMS

IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

We look forward to another great Region I conference in October. We hope you'll join us in Idaho, the "Gem State", at the **Riverside Hotel in Boise, October 19-23, 2015!**

Our 2015 regional conference theme is "***Exploring the Hidden Gems in International Education***". Please read this update and stay tuned to future newsletters for information about the conference.

Best, The Region I Team

Submit a Session Proposal - Now Open

Our 2015 regional conference theme is *"Exploring the Hidden Gems in International Education"* and at the heart of this exploration is the sharing of new ideas and best practices. We encourage you to consider proposing conference sessions, poster sessions, and homegrown workshops that address innovative topics that will contribute to our professional development.

Session proposals are now open! Please submit a proposal on the conference session proposal site: <http://tinyurl.com/RegionISessionSubmission>



The **early bird proposal deadline is June 28th.**

Early proposal submission will award up to two presenters a \$40 conference registration discount. The **final deadline for session proposals is July 10th.**

Any questions regarding the session proposal process can be emailed to region1nafsa@gmail.com.

Conference Registration

Stay tuned for more details, but conference registration will be open starting on **August 1st!** Mark your calendars for early bird registration.

Volunteer for the Region I Conference

Looking to get more involved in the conference? Volunteering is a great way to network while getting a behind-the-scenes look at the conference. We have opportunities for a number of areas including: registration, hospitality, session aids, etc. If you're interested in

volunteering, please contact [Michelle Walters](#).

Conference Gala and Auction: Items Needed

Now is the time to begin thinking about the fantastic items you can donate to our Gala Auction! All funds go directly to travel grants to increase opportunities for the membership. We have two new auction events that we hope you'll love!

Wine Tree: Donate a bottle of wine ranging in amount from \$10-\$50. Tickets are sold for \$10 each for a random bottle of wine. Every ticket holder gets a bottle, but you could get a \$50 bottle of wine for \$10!



My Favorite Book: Donate a copy of your all-time favorite book to the auction, and share the literary love!

Items can be brought to the conference, or you can arrange transport with any of your leadership team members.

Questions about the Gala and Auction? Contact [Machelle Allman](#).

Local Highlights

We're excited to bring members from throughout the region to the great city of Boise. Boise has much to offer attendees, and our Local Arrangements Chair is hard at work to share Boise with NAFSAns. A few highlights to look forward to:

- [Basque Museum](#) - Did you know that Boise has one of the largest

Basque communities in the U.S.?

- [Capital City Public Market & Boise Farmers Market](#) - Boise has two public markets on Saturdays where you can find local food, art, and much more.
- [Greenbelt](#) - A 25 mile trail along the Boise River where you can bike, run, or take a walk during the conference. Hop on the Greenbelt right from the conference hotel!
- [Table Rock](#) - Enjoy a good hike and have a beautiful view of Boise at the top!



The Boise River Greenbelt is one of Boise's most beloved parks. The tree-lined pathway follows the river through the heart of the city and provides scenic views, wildlife habitat and pedestrian access to many of the city's popular riverside parks.

Questions about Boise?

[Contact our Local Arrangements Chair, Kumi Takashima](#)

from Boise State University. We look forward to spending time in beautiful Boise this fall!

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