

# Save The Date!

## Eastern Chapter Western Dredging Association Fall 2021 Conference

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**When:** Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM  
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Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM  
[Add to Calendar](#)

**Where:** Francis Marion Hotel  
387 King Street  
Charleston, SC 29403  
<https://www.francismarionhotel.com/directions-and-map/>



**General Information:** We are currently developing our final schedule and will send out additional information in the coming weeks. As we implemented last year, we are going to focus on a specific topic for the event. (More to come)

**Call for Abstracts:** The first call for abstracts will be sent on or about Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

### **Tentative Agenda:**

- ❖ **Wednesday (10/13/21)** afternoon will start the program with an opportunity to take the Dredging 101 course. That will be followed by an Ice Breaker from 6-9 PM.
- ❖ **Thursday (10/14/21)** The agenda will consist of technical presentations and a luncheon program that will allow members to meet with USACE district representatives on a one-on-one basis. We are excited to announce that our reception will be at the South Carolina Aquarium. More details and sponsoring opportunities to come.
- ❖ **Friday (10/15/21)** will continue with a half-day of technical presentations and conclude with chapter business at about noon. This year will include voting in a new member to the eastern chapter board. Additional details will be sent out soon.

**Location:** The Francis Marion Hotel became an instant Charleston, SC landmark when it opened in 1924. Rising 12 stories above the Historic District, the hotel offers spectacular views of Charleston's church steeples, antebellum mansions, and famous harbor, providing easy access to the wealth of Charleston's historic attractions.

**Hotel Reservations:** The hotel reservation link will be distributed out along with the "Call for Abstracts" in April.

**Conference Registration:** Online registration will be available soon on the WEDA website. The registration fee structure is as follows: **\$300 WEDA Member, \$400 Non-WEDA Member, \$200 Government Attendee**, and free for qualifying students.

**Sponsorships:** Opportunities will be sent out in the coming weeks. We will develop some different ways for members to promote themselves and allow them to select different items/events to support and allow the sponsors to show their wares.

For the latest information on the conference, please visit the [Eastern Chapter Page](#) of the WEDA website, or contact any of the Board Members for more details.

**We are looking forward to seeing you in Charleston, SC!**