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## REGIONAL MEETING FUN

The Southeast Region (above) and Northwest Region (at right) had a good time at their respective August regional meetings. The Southeast enjoyed open forges and some new visitors, while the Northwest welcomed John Boy Watson and Roger Bell, who demonstrated making oyster knives from railroad spikes. **Pages 8-9**



## CLASSES OPEN

The demonstrators have been lined up and the FABACon 2024 class schedule has been posted! Class registration is now open for those who have registered for the conference. Sign up now! **Pages 4-5**



## Regional Events & Information

FABA has eight regions, and regular meetings are held in each region on the following Saturdays of each month: 1st Saturday—Central NE / 2nd Saturday—NW / 3rd Saturday—SE, Greater Orlando & Gainesville / 4th Saturday—Far West & SW.

The NNE meetings will be the 2nd or 3rd Saturdays (depending on the month) in 2024.

The regions have no boundaries — everyone is welcome everywhere. Come to more than one if you can!

The dates may vary, so check the schedule noted in the Regional Reports or on Facebook, or contact the Regional Coordinator.

Our meetings are informal gatherings around the forge. Prospective members are always welcome. Come for all or any part of a meeting, bring your tools or just watch. Most meetings run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and you'll want to bring a bag lunch if not otherwise noted. If you have any questions about events, please check the region's Facebook page or contact the Regional Coordinators:



|                          |                     |              |                              |
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# U.S. Veterans invited to FABACON

This year at FABA CON 2024 we are focusing on our Veteran community. There are almost 1.5 million veterans in the state of Florida. According to Governor DeSantis, "Florida is committed to remaining the most military and veteran-friendly state in the nation." Certainly, a lot of positive energy for people who have worked hard to defend our country.

Yet there is a sad statistic that every day in the United States, approximately 22 veterans, and one active-duty service member, reservist, or national guardsman commits suicide. Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) has been identified as a major causal factor not only for suicide but also for Veteran homelessness, divorce, and joblessness.

Thankfully, art therapy has been found to help Veterans with symptoms of PTSD, and this is where FABA can step in! Creative activity and fellowship are both fantastic bulwarks against the symptoms of PTSD. From what I have experienced in the Blacksmith community I can testify that we have both of these resources in spades. We are a creative community. And Fellowship? I've never met a more welcoming crowd of people willing to share what they know and pass their knowledge on to others who show interest. All we need to do is let our Veteran community know that we welcome them in. And since 6% of Florida's population are Veterans, you probably know someone to invite.

Please recall that FABA has a Veterans scholarship program (page 12-13). For FABA CON 2024, we are expanding this program in a number of ways. First the program is offering up to 10 Saturday scholarships that will include a one-day non-member registration, a 2-hour Saturday afternoon rebar-throwing spike class with Doug Hayes (5 people at 1 pm and 5 more people at 3pm) and an open invitation to join us at the auction on Saturday night.

Second, we are offering up to 5 of our standard Veteran scholarships that will cover up to 80% of the cost of any class or conference for those that apply (see the application form for instructions and limitations).

Finally, our major sponsor, Benchmark Abrasives, is weighing in by giving up their 4, 3-day conference registration passes to this cause. If you are a veteran, or

if you have a friend that is a veteran, and want to apply for any of these opportunities, the easiest way is to start by contacting Doug Hayes at [djhayes29@hotmail.com](mailto:djhayes29@hotmail.com) or [djhayes@iron-osprey-designs.com](mailto:djhayes@iron-osprey-designs.com).

Additionally, we've been in contact with the Wounded Warrior foundation and they plan to fully fund several of their alumni to our conference.

Bottom Line: If you know a Veteran, please invite them to join us. We will find a way to get them in as we are "Saluting the past – Forging the future".

## CLASS REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Once you register for FABA CON 2024, look at your receipt and note the link to register for classes. We do not have a direct link to classes because we have had a problem in the past with people who have registered for a class but never registered for the conference itself.

If you want to see the available classes before registering for the event, the following page offers a sneak peek. (The schedule is also on the conference part of our website at [www.blacksmithing.org](http://www.blacksmithing.org).)

## THANKS TO OUR TENT SPONSORS

Looking at our sponsors and the teaching program, we have 3 "tent sponsors" this year.

Duir Grove Forges is supplying everything\* including the tent itself for the Brazing classes on Friday and Saturday.

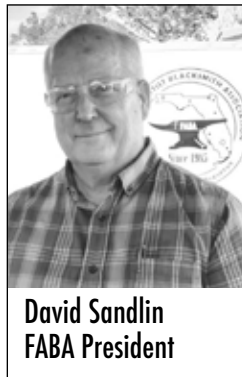
Iron Osprey Forge (Doug Hayes) is bringing in extra equipment to cover one FABA tent where he is teaching 4 of the 5 available periods.

Traditions Workshop is bringing in benchtop drill presses, buffers and additional belt grinder/sanders for a knife assembly/finishing workstation.

\*FABA will be paying for materials and fuel

Stay cool! Hope and pray your anvil rings true throughout the year and eagerly looking forward to seeing you all November 8, 9, 10 at the Best Western Gateway Grand, Gainesville.

— David Sandlin, President



David Sandlin  
FABA President

# FABACon Class Schedule

Class registration is open! You should receive an email confirming your registration that includes a link to register. The schedule is tentatively set below. It is also on the conference section of the FABA website at [www.blacksmithing.org](http://www.blacksmithing.org).

| Friday 8 Nov, Morning 8-12                                 | Friday 8 Nov, Afternoon 1-5                    |
|--|--|
| Blacksmithing 1  | Blacksmithing 2 – Rivets                       |
| 8-10, and 10-12 Solid Fuel Fire Management with Doug Hayes | Friction Folder Knife with LeRoi Price         |
| Peter Pan's Dagger with David Sandlin                      | Forge Welding                                  |
| Bronze Inlay with Duir Forges                              | Bronze Inlay with Duir Forges                  |
| Demonstrator 1   | Copper Flowers with Jay Mudge & Mike Bettinger |
| Demonstrator 2   | Demonstrator 1                                 |
| FABA Demonstration Team lead by Tony Fenn                  | Demonstrator 2                                 |
| Open Forge   | FABA Demonstration Team lead by Tony Fenn      |
| Family Classes in San Falasco                              | Open Forge                                     |
|  | Family Classes in San Falasco                  |
| Friday Night Forging Competition Starts at 7PM             |  |

| Saturday 9 Nov, Morning 8-12  | Saturday 9 Nov, Afternoon 1-5                                   |
|---|---|
| Blacksmithing 1   | Blacksmithing 2 – Rivets  |
| Alternating every hour, 8 & 10 Hammer Ergonomics and 9 & 11 Hammer Dressing with Doug Hayes | Copper Flowers with Jay Mudge & Mike Bettinger                  |
|   | 1-3 and 3-5, Veteran' Classes – Throwing spikes with Doug Hayes |
| Hummingbirds with the Teeles  | Knife Class with Peter Hill                                     |
| How to make Tongs   | 2D & 3D Skulls with Ben Thompson                                |
| Bronze Inlay with Duir Forges   | Bronze Inlay with Duir Forges                                   |
| Demonstrator 1  | Demonstrator 1  |
| Demonstrator 2  | Demonstrator 2  |
| FABA Demonstration Team lead by Tony Fenn   | FABA Demonstration Team lead by Tony Fenn                       |
| Open Forge  | Open Forge  |
| Family Classes in San Falasco   | Family Classes in San Falasco                                   |
| Saturday at High Noon, World's Best Iron in the Hat Raffle                                  |   |
| 6 PM Banquette, 7 PM Business Meeting, 8 PM Live and Silent Auction                         |   |

| Sunday 10 Nov, Morning 8-12                 | Sunday 10 Nov, Afternoon                    |
|---|---|
| How to Handle Your Knife with David Sandlin | Strike camp, pack up and see you next year! |
| Forge Welding                               |   |
| Heat Treating with Doug Hayes               |   |
| How to make Tongs                           |   |
| Knife Clean-up Workstations Available       |   |
| Demonstrator 1                              |   |
| Demonstrator 2                              |   |
| Open Forge                                  |   |
| Family Classes in San Falasco               |   |





## FABA CON 2024 CHALLENGES

### REGIONAL CHALLENGE

**Theme:** Medieval Folklore and/or Religion

**Rules:** Three or more members must contribute to the piece

**Judged on:** adherence to the theme; techniques used; quality of work; number of contributors

Winners receive bragging rights and get to pick the 2025 theme.

### EXCHANGE ITEM

**Theme:** Something with TEETH

**How it works:** Bring a pre-made item to the conference that represents the theme. At the banquet, each person who brought something draws a name and gets to take home the piece that person made.

The theme this year is broad. Think about all of the things that have teeth - gears, saws, animals, skulls, zippers, pianos, combs, etc.

### SCRAP BUCKET CHARITY CHALLENGE

**How it works:** Pay a small donation at the registration desk to pilfer the scrap bucket for your piece of metal. Make anything you want from that metal.

**Rules:** Only scrap from the bucket can be used; must be completed and in the hotel lobby front desk before noon on Sunday, Nov 10th

**Judging:** Hotel staff picks their favorite

Winner receives challenge proceeds to benefit charity of their choice.

### GALLERY PEOPLE'S CHOICE

**How it works:** Bring an item to place in the gallery. Gallery visitors "vote" on their favorite throughout the conference. Make sure you get your piece there on Friday so more people can see it.

The winner of the people's choice is awarded \$75.00.



## FABACon Planning

Exciting news! Our demonstrators for the 2024 FABA Conference will be Doug Wilson and Joseph Easttom!

Douglas E. Wilson resides on beautiful Little Deer Isle in Maine and runs Wilson Forge ([www.wilsonforge.com](http://www.wilsonforge.com)). He has extensive teaching and demonstrating experience.

I urge you to visit his website and explore his wide range of craftsmanship. We are still finalizing his schedule during our conference, so keep an eye on the FABA conference website for the details!

Joseph Easttom is a blacksmith and bladesmith who (according to his website at [www.plus5armory.com](http://www.plus5armory.com)) "specializes in historically accurate and functional arms and armor." Again, we are still (pardon the pun, but you knew I was going to say it!) hammering out the details of his time with us; furthermore, we are working to bring Rachel along with him to share her leatherworking talents.

And, once again, some of our very own incredibly talented blacksmiths will be operating the FABA Demonstrators Pavilion! So there will be lots of various techniques and artistry to watch in process during our three days together!

Much more to come, including Family Programs information; so definitely keep an eye on the conference website.

Keep hydrated!

— **Lisa Anne Conner, Vice President and Program Chair**

### SW Region Meeting Report

We did not have a meeting in July because of the heat and vacations. Here are a few photos of what members of our region were doing in July.

Tony Fenn completed a huge dining table commission with an 8 foot by 6 foot hand hammered copper top.

James Hawse visited an old blacksmith shop in a Museum while on vacation in Eagle, Colorado.

The Teele family worked hard on their entry for the region's submission for the conference (photos at right).

Jay Dugan (not pictured) taught kids camp at the forge in the Pioneer Village in St Petersburg, an experience he wrote about in 1st month's Clinker Breaker.

Hope you are having a good summer and are managing to carefully work in the heat and humidity.

— **Tony Fenn, SW Region Coordinator**

### SW Region Meeting, TBA

Please check our FABA SW Facebook page for more info at [www.facebook.com/groups/228279738123674](https://www.facebook.com/groups/228279738123674), or contact [antony.fenn@gmail.com](mailto:antony.fenn@gmail.com). Thank you!



### Greater Orlando Meeting Schedule

Greater Orlando meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at UnderGround Metal Works in Maitland, FL.

For more information, contact John Hare at 802-373-1190 or [legacy.john.hare@gmail.com](mailto:legacy.john.hare@gmail.com).

— **John Hare, Orlando Regional Coordinator**







A nest of snakes.

### Far West Report & Schedule

This past meeting we had a pretty simple goal: making snakes for a team project. We ended up with a nice group to add to our nest of snakes. Forward to seeing everyone next month.

#### MEETINGS:

September 28: John Butler Farm in Milton

October: Traditions Workshop in Fort Walton to prep the trailer

November 23: Timber Creek Distillery for a forging contest

December: No meeting to observe Christmas

— **Christopher Sandlin,**  
**Far West Region Coordinator**

### Gainesville Meeting, Sept. 27

The Gainesville Regional Meeting will be held Friday Sept 27th from 4 to 9pm. The address for the shop is 2308 NW 71st Place, Gainesville FL, 32653, Bay D. Jordan's Cell is 352-727-8260.

We will be working on the group project for the Conference. We'll order Pizza for dinner.

After the conference in November, meetings will be once again held on the 3rd Saturday of the month, instead of Friday. To get in touch, please call or send me an email at [crookedpathforge@gmail.com](mailto:crookedpathforge@gmail.com).

— **Jordan Borstelmann, Coordinator**

### Central NE Meeting, Sept. 27

**Where:** Barberville Pioneer Settlement

**When:** Sept. 7 starting at 9 AM

We've been making good progress on our regional project these last few months. Now we only have 2 meetings left before the conference. For our meeting in September, we'll be working on the last pieces with hopes to be at the assembly stage in October. Lunch will be provided by myself but feel free to bring anything you'd like to go with it.

The settlement will be hosting their own chili cook off and ice cream making event with free entry so it'll be a good time to bring the family along. Check out the event flyer to see all the activities that'll be going on.

[www.pioneersettlement.org/events-calendar](http://www.pioneersettlement.org/events-calendar)

— **Heinrich Hole, Central NE Coordinator**

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## Support our FABA business members

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### DAMASCUS SPONSORS

David Sandlin - Traditions Workshop - Ft. Walton Beach, FL

Duir Grove Forges LLC - Brooksville, FL

Doug Hayes - Iron Osprey Forge - St. Augustine, FL

Benchmark Abrasives - Flagstaff, AZ

### STEEL SPONSORS

Greg Hagen - Holland Anvils - Holland, MI

John Elliot - Blacksmith Supply - Chester, VA

Michael Oliver - Turn and Burn Metalworks - Lakeland, FL

Mission San Luis - Tallahassee, FL

### IRON SPONSORS

Scott Brown - Medieval Smith - Land O' Lakes, FL

Jordan Borstelmann - Crooked Path Forge - Gainesville, FL

Rick Smith - Gainesville, FL

Nicole Horenstein - High Springs, FL

Mark Fillmore - Naples, FL

Cameron LaFrance - Micco, FL

Interested in being a FABA sponsor or expanding your sponsor listing? Contact FABA President David Sandlin at [President@blacksmithing.org](mailto:President@blacksmithing.org) and include your business name, tag line, and contact information.

### SE Region Meeting

The SE Region had six new faces checking out what FABA is all about. People finished projects from last meeting. New people made memories along with what they made.

The SE Region meets every third Saturday of the month at The Farm, 1566 S. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL. The Farm is located off Military Trail; just turn at the pole painted red, white and blue, and follow your GPS or Google maps. It should get you there!

Get more info on the FABA SE Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/groups/603288803747002](https://www.facebook.com/groups/603288803747002)

— Gary Becker, FABA member





### NW Region Meeting Report

The Northwest Region had our August meeting at the home of Brooke and Jeff Mohr. We had 23 people sign in. Both John Boy Watson and Roger Bell demonstrated making oyster knives from railroad spikes. Roger also supervised several people making their own knives. Jeff and Mark Stone opened oysters for the rest of us, all the way from raw to nicely steamed on the grill.

Billy Christie and I showed off the fireplace toolsets we made at the Thursday morning open forges. I showed off some trivets I recently made from railroad spikes and the tools I used to punch the slotted holes with, also made from RR spikes. Jeff had a treasure chest and a mouse caught in a mouse trap business card holder, that he had recently made. A good time was had by all. Thank you, Brooke and Jeff, for hosting us!

— John Pfund, NW Coordinator

### NW Region Meeting, Sept. 14

The Northwest Region Our September meeting will be held at the Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown on Sept. 14th. That's the second Saturday of the month as always. On the first Saturday, we're going to start back with the classes we teach on the first and third Saturdays of every month until the weather gets hot again. For our demonstration, I'm asking for our members to come prepared to do a demonstration of something you've been working on lately or just like to do. This means you! Ideally, if we have a couple of people ready to perform, it's not too hard on any one. The log cabin is already reserved for the day, so we're going to set up for the raffle and lunch in the gym. It's probably going to be hot (again), so we'll end the demo a little earlier than we usually do, to give us time to cool off in the gym while perusing the raffle and getting ready for lunch. We're going to make HOMEMADE PIZZA for lunch. I'll make plenty of dough and we should bring favorite toppings and sauce to go on it as well as sides and desserts. This is a chance to choose your own favorite ingredients to put on a personal pizza if you want to. It should be a lot of fun, I hope to see you there. It's a bit of a drive to get there, about 60 miles for me, consider carpooling, it provides some extra time for conversation before and after the meeting and saves money on gas too.

Looking ahead on the schedule, October meeting will be held at Aunt Louise's Farm, this is their Fall season and we'll be onsite every weekend while they're open. November we're not going to have a meeting as the conference falls on the second Saturday. December at Mary Ellen Anderson's house. January at Bettingers welding shop.



## FABA invited to Hammer-In, Sept. 7-8

Trenton Tye will be hosting a workshop/hammer-in on Saturday and Sunday, Sept 7th and 8th, in Morgan, Ga. They will be demonstrating the making of a punched eye axe and then the participants will have the afternoon of Saturday and all day Sunday to work at the forges, with intermittent meetings for Q&A and review.

There will be a small and friendly axe throwing competition (bring your own if you like) on Saturday evening. Home cooked meals available for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, \$10, \$15, and \$20 respectively.

Please RSVP if you plan to eat! Participants are welcome to bring coolers and camp grills.

Lodging is available on site: 4 private rooms at \$50 a night, 3 bunks and a camp queen in a shared RV for \$20 a night. Shower and bathroom facilities on site. There are other BNB options about 8 miles down the road. Please call 229-591-4381 or email [info@purgatoryironworks.com](mailto:info@purgatoryironworks.com) for the flyer and more information.

**— Kirk Sullens, FABA Quartermaster**

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## Jerry Grice Scholarship applications open

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Jerry Grice, one of our charter members. Its purpose is to further the craft of blacksmithing and is available to any FABA member in good standing.

The award is limited to the actual cost or \$1,000, whichever is lesser. It may be used for materials, tuition, lodging and transportation (paid at the rate of 43.2 cents per mile or the actual cost of public transportation, whichever is lesser).

A letter of application or a detailed email may be submitted provided the applicant answers the following questions:

1. What is your name, address and phone number?
2. How much experience in blacksmithing do you have?
3. How will this instruction help you with your blacksmithing craft?
4. What is the name of the school you wish to attend?
5. What is the name of the course and the name of the instructor teaching the class?
6. What costs will be incurred (tuition, lodging, transportation, etc.)?

Note: By accepting the Jerry Grice Scholarship, the applicant agrees to provide a demonstration of skills learned at a regular FABA meeting, and write an article concerning the learning experience, including a “how-to”



article for publication in the Clinker Breaker.

The next item is not required but strongly suggested: An item should be made with the new knowledge and offered for auction at the Annual Conference.

Completed letters of application or emails should be sent to John Butler, Chair, FABA Scholarship Committee, 777 Tyre Road, Havana, FL 32333 or [jgbutler@sprintmail.com](mailto:jgbutler@sprintmail.com).

Deadline for receipt is December 31, 2024. Three finalists will be recommended to the Board. The decision of the Board shall be final, and the successful applicant will be notified after the vote.



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## Florida Artist Blacksmith Association Veterans Scholarship Fund Application 2024

1. Recipients must be veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces (Navy, Air Force, Army, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force).
  - a. Individuals must be able to provide proof of service/separation (DD 214 or an appropriate ID)
2. Scholarship will reimburse 80% of a blacksmithing class/course(s) registration fee up to \$100 upon completion of the course, whichever is less. (for example, if the course(s) cost \$135, 80% of that is \$108, so the awardee would receive \$100; if the course(s) cost is \$95 then the awardee would receive \$76). Formula for determining award:  
$$\text{Registration fee(s) \$} \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \times 0.80 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \text{TOTAL (awardee would receive \$100 or less of total course registration costs)}$$
3. The coursework must be considered to be directly related to blacksmithing (not welding/fabrication). The FABA Scholarship Committee (defined in article 12 below) reserves the right to determine which coursework is appropriate during the review process.
4. The course instructor must be someone who regularly provides paid blacksmith instruction – in other words is recognized as a legitimate, accepted teacher. Classes at a recognized blacksmith conference (such as the FABA annual conference, The Southern Blacksmith Association biannual conference, SOFA, etc.) are acceptable and specifically at these events, 2 or more classes in one weekend could be stacked and counted as one ‘course’. So, for three (3) FABA intro courses at \$45 apiece, the total would be \$135; 80% of that would be \$108, so the award would be \$100.
5. Before awardee is reimbursed, he/she must provide some proof of completion (documentation of work produced, email from instructor and receipts from course costs). This scholarship is intended for course registration fees only, and does not cover materials or equipment unless those items are part of the course of instruction (i.e. a hammer making course). Students may apply for up to 2 courses per year, but not more than once per six-month cycle and for no more than 3 courses in total.
6. The student must apply for the scholarship prior to the beginning of class (not retroactive). The committee will meet February 15 and August 15 each year to review applications (every 6 months). Up to three applications will be awarded every six months. Coursework does not have to fall within the cycle the student applies, if the application is submitted prior to the start of the course (for example, the student could plan 1 year ahead). The FABA Scholarship Committee (defined in article 12 below) will make that determination during the application process.
7. In any 6-month cycle, preference will be made for beginner classes, then intermediate skill classes as the primary purpose of this fund is to assist veterans to begin their blacksmithing journey.
8. Applicants must be a FABA member to apply and while taking the class/course.
9. Funds can be applied to the FABA annual conference courses, or to similar classes from other guilds or organizations, within the United States. See article 4, above.
10. If anyone wishes to donate additional funds to this scholarship, they agree to abide by the rules above. In other words, future donors cannot modify or change the administration or award process for this scholarship. Any funds donated specifically to this fund will be considered encumbered for this purpose only.
11. Applicants will complete the application and submit their request via email to (add email contact) or through the electronic form on [www.blacksmithing.org](http://www.blacksmithing.org).
12. The FABA Scholarship Committee is comprised of a three-member panel of FABA members. At least one member of the panel will have military experience (active duty or reserve) and two others will be FABA Board members. The President, Treasurer and Vice-President will appoint the members of the Veterans Scholarship committee. Members will serve a minimum one-year term but may be reappointed multiple times.
13. Awardees will be notified via email and USPS the status of their application approximately two weeks after the committee meets.

**Contact Doug Hayes at [djhayes29@hotmail.com](mailto:djhayes29@hotmail.com) or download an application at [www.blacksmithing.org](http://www.blacksmithing.org)**



## **FABA Veterans Fund Blacksmith Class Scholarship Application 2024**

Overview:

**The FABA Veterans' Scholarship Fund** was established to help veterans to experience the world of blacksmithing. The intent is to assist veterans to get started in the craft with an experienced teacher to provide a guiding hand at the start of the journey, maximizing their learning experience. As such, it is not intended for those with intermediate or advanced skills to hone their craft – rather to assist beginners to learn the basics or to advance to some intermediate skills. First priority will be given to first-time students or early beginner level classes, and then to intermediate level courses.

### **Required Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: Army / Air Force / Navy / Marines / Coast Guard / National Guard / Space Force

Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Blacksmithing Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of course: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Cost/Tuition: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of course: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor/school/conference information (website, email, phone): \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you hope to learn from this course: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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☐ I agree to provide some proof of completion of the course in the form of photos, certificate, email from instructor and receipts from the course cost.

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