Upcoming Conference News

CPC Update
27th Annual Conference
June 7-10, 2012
Nashville, Tennessee

Music City USA will be welcoming you in June for NASIG’s 27th Annual Conference!

In addition to excellent programming lined up by the Program Planning Committee, we have some fun social events lined up for you. Thursday evening, overlapping with our vendor expo scheduled from 1-7 pm, we will enjoy a reception with good food and great conversation at the hotel.

On Friday night, attendees will be bused downtown for a reception at one of Nashville’s premier destinations, the Country Music Hall of Fame® and Museum – a treat for lovers of music of any genre. In addition to a large collection of original recordings, archival video, photographs and interactive media, the museum also has an extensive collection of artifacts, such as Maybelle Carter’s 1928 Gibson L-5 guitar and Bill Monroe’s Gibson F-5 Master Model mandolin. There are two vehicles in the collection -- Webb Pierce’s silver dollar Bonneville and Elvis Presley’s solid gold Cadillac, which has 40 coats of paint comprised of fish scales and crushed diamonds. The Cadillac has gold records on the ceiling, a television and phone in the back, as well as an electric shoe shine in the floor board. This is the vehicle Elvis would ride in from his home Graceland in Memphis to record at the historic RCA Studio B on Music Row in Nashville. During our visit, the Museum will feature a special exhibit devoted to Chet Atkins. Check out some of the videos featured at the Museum’s website.

Saturday night you’ll be on your own to attend a concert, hang out in the honky-tonks on Broadway, or enjoy dinner in one of Nashville’s distinctive neighborhoods. Back at the hotel, the late night social will feature an open mic night, so pack your instrument and share your talent! More information about Saturday night options can be found on the Explore Nashville and Tours webpages of the conference site.

Nashville and the surrounding area have a lot to offer visitors. The Hermitage, historic home of President Andrew Jackson, is located about 8 miles from the hotel. Civil War buffs will enjoy visiting nearby Franklin, the site of some major battles, the Stones River National Battlefield near Murfreesboro, or Fort Negley in Nashville.

The CMA Music Festival provides a great opportunity to see the best of the best in country music, but Nashville hotels are expected to sell out during the event and airline tickets may not be available if you wait. Make your plans early to attend the conference!

For questions about the conference, send an email to conf-plan@nasig.org.

See you in Nashville!