



Upcoming Conference News

Spokane Fun Facts- Things to Do in Spokane

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A conference full of information about information management, scholarly communication, and the research lifecycle means a full brain and a full brain needs time to unwind. Fortunately, there's lots to see and do in downtown Spokane, meaning you'll have ample opportunities between sessions to zip out and see a variety of attractions:

[Riverfront Park Garbage Goat](#): Right across the street from the Davenport Grand Hotel is Riverfront Park and its famous Garbage Goat. Enjoy ice cream at the Thursday afternoon ice cream break and save the wrapper to feed the goat! Alternately, wander over to the newly renovated Expo '74 Pavilion.

[Huntington Park & Spokane Falls](#): Half a mile away is Huntington Park, which provides beautiful views of the Spokane Falls and Monroe Street Bridge. Optionally, get the bird's eye view of the Falls by taking the [SkyRide](#) gondola.

[Manito Park](#): Just under 2 miles away is the 90-acre Manito Park that includes an arboretum, conservatory, and botanical gardens (including a formal Rose Garden, Lilac Garden, Dahlia Garden, and Japanese Garden).

[Crosby House Museum](#): Croon your way through RDA updates by taking a tour of Bing Crosby's childhood home – just over 1 mile north of the hotel.

[Self-guided heritage walking tours](#): Take a self-guided walking tour of [East Downtown](#), [West Downtown](#) or [Central Downtown](#).



[ROW Adventure Center](#): Get a group of your colleagues together and raft down the Spokane River with the ROW Adventure Center's Whitewater and Wildlife Happy Hour. The ROW Adventure Center is half a mile from the hotel.

[Know before you go – Fun ways to learn about Spokane:](#)

With the weather getting colder and the days darker, there's no better time to get a visual sense of the conference city by watching these movies set in Spokane: [Vision Quest](#) (featuring Madonna!), [Benny & Joon](#) (featuring Johnny Depp!), [The Cutter](#) (featuring Chuck Norris and the Spokane Transit Authority buses!), or the film-noirish [Give 'Em Hell Malone](#).

Wanting something a bit more high-brow? Satisfy your inner history nerd with [Spokane Historical](#). A web and

mobile project of the Public History program at Eastern Washington University, Spokane Historical has hundreds of stories about historical Spokane. The site also features 16 self-guided walking tours. An app is available on Google Play and the Apple App Store.