



General Information

ADVANCE DEADLINE: JANUARY 23, 2009
For Hotel Reservations and Meeting Registration

Location Information

All technical sessions, division luncheons, and short courses will be conducted at:

Colorado Convention Center
700 14th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202
Phone: 303.228.8000
Website: www.denverconvention.com

Registration Fees

To receive advance registration fees, SME must receive your registration form and payment by January 23, 2009. After January 23, 2009 on-site registration fees apply. One-day advance registration is available for members and authors only.

Nonmember Registrants

Join SME or CMA by January 23, 2009 and save \$\$\$ on your full meeting registration fee.

Registration Policy

All attendees and authors at the SME/CMA Annual Meeting are required to register. Nonmember authors may register at the member rate. The one-day fee for members is available only for the day you want to attend (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday). The appropriate badge is required for admittance to the technical sessions and exhibit and will be checked at the entrance of all activities. Attendees interested in touring the exhibit only can purchase a one-day pass. Exhibit-only registrations **ARE NOT** permitted to attend the technical sessions.

Legion of Honor Registration Policy

Legion of Honor Members are entitled to receive reduced registration fees for the 2009 SME/CMA Annual Meeting. Attendees requesting this category of registration must meet eligibility requirements and must be on record at SME as a Legion of Honor Member. A Legion of Honor Member must have acquired 50 years of membership. SME Members are automatically moved to this membership class.

Senior Member Registration Policy

Retired Senior members are entitled to receive reduced registration fees for the 2009 SME/CMA Annual Meeting. Attendees requesting this category of registration must meet eligibility requirements and must be on record at SME as a Senior Member. A Senior Member is a retired member who has reached 70 years of age with 30 continuous years of membership with SME. Individuals must contact the SME Membership Department and request this category of

membership (based on qualifications). Questions regarding Senior Member status should be directed to the SME Membership Coordinator at 303.948.4204.

Student Registration Policy

Student registrants for the 2009 SME/CMA Annual Meeting & Exhibit must meet eligibility requirements. SME requires that an individual *must be attending a college, university, or higher education institution on a full-time basis to qualify for student registration rates*. SME cannot process student registrations without evidence that you are a full-time student. Students enrolled in 12 or more semester credit hours are considered full-time. When sending your registration please provide registration confirmation from your educational institution. Acceptable confirmation includes: transcript, most recent report card, or official school registration documents. Student registration forms without this information will not be processed.

Cancellation/Substitution Policy

If circumstances require you to cancel your SME/CMA registration, you must do so in writing. Written notice must be sent to SME Meeting Registration, 175 South, Suite 140, Salt Lake City, UT 84101. Cancellations received by January 23, 2009 will receive a full refund, less a \$100 processing fee. There are no refunds for no-shows and cancellations postmarked after January 23, 2009. **Registrants are responsible for cancellation of their own hotel accommodations.** Substitutions will be accepted in writing at no charge until January 23, 2009. After January 23, 2009 a \$25 fee will be charged for substitutions.

NO REFUNDS – for Registration, Short Course, Social Function, Tour and Field Trip tickets will be issued **after the January 23, 2009, DEADLINE.**

International Delegates – Letter of Invitation

SME will send a letter of invitation to paid, full registrants upon request. Invitations are intended to help international delegates raise travel funds or obtain a visa. **It is not a commitment from the Conference or the organizers to provide any financial support.** Request for letters of invitation must include: attendee name, job title, company name, mailing address (P.O. Boxes are not acceptable), city/province, state, country, zip/postal code, phone & fax number, and beginning and end dates of travel. **Also, provide the address, phone and fax number of your embassy.** All items must be submitted to complete a letter of invitation.

Send your written request to: SME Meetings Dept., 8307 Shaffer Parkway, Littleton, CO USA 80127-7002 or E-mail: meetings@smenet.org

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Housing Reservation Information

Hotel accommodations are available at the Grand Hyatt, Hyatt Regency at Colorado Convention Center, Marriott City Center, Westin Tabor Center, and the Hilton Garden Inn. *See page 98 for detailed hotel and address information.*

Please complete the Hotel Reservation form and **RETURN NO LATER THAN JANUARY 23, 2009, TO:**

SME Housing Bureau
1555 California St., #300
Denver, CO 80202-4264

Phone: 303.892.1112 ext. 601 (*changes or cancellations only*)
Fax: 303.571.9435 (secure line)
E-mail: dmcvb-housing@denver.org
Online: www.smenet.org

DO NOT send your housing form to SME or CMA.

A VALID CREDIT CARD NUMBER MUST ACCOMPANY THE COMPLETED HOTEL RESERVATION FORM TO GUARANTEE RESERVATION.

Acknowledgements will be sent either by e-mail or fax from the SME Housing Bureau.

Purchasing Tickets

Attendees must register to purchase tickets for social functions and/or field trips. Registrants may purchase multiple tickets.

CD-ROM – Meeting Pre-prints

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Each full, one-day, and student registrant will receive a CD-ROM of pre-prints from the 2009 SME/CMA Annual Meeting. Additional CD-ROMs are available for purchase. See Registration Form in this mailer. These will be available for pick-up in the SME Bookstore during the meeting. (Offer excludes discounted, and exhibits only registrations).

Short Courses

SME Short Courses will be conducted at the Colorado Convention Center. *See page 22 for details.*

Technical Sessions

All SME and CMA technical sessions will be conducted at the Colorado Convention Center. *SME technical sessions start on page 35 and CMA sessions start on page 13.*

Field Trips

Field trips are subject to cancellation based on limited attendance. Make your reservations early using the registration form. *See pages 24 for field trip details.*

SME Cyber Cafe

The Cyber Cafe is located in the exhibit hall at the Colorado Convention Center. Computers will be available during exhibit hours to surf the net, retrieve and send e-mail messages, view mining websites.

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connected!*



Registration Hours

On-site registration will be conducted during the following hours in the Convention Center.

Saturday, February 21	7:00 am – 5:00 pm (Short Course Registration and Exhibitors Only)
Sunday, February 22	7:00 am – 7:00 pm
Monday, February 23	7:00 am – 5:30 pm
Tuesday, February 24	7:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday, February 25	7:00 am – 2:00 pm

Exhibit Hours

Exhibitor products and services will be showcased at the 2009 SME Annual Exhibit and CMA National Western Mining Conference at the Colorado Convention Center. Badges are required for admittance. All food and beverage functions held in the exhibit hall will be located in the three lounges and restaurants.

Sunday, February 22	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Monday, February 23	11:00 am – 5:30 pm
Tuesday, February 24	11:00 am – 5:30 pm
Wednesday, February 25	8:00 am – Noon

SME Bookstore Hours

The SME Bookstore will be located in the Colorado Convention Center. It will feature SME publications and a large selection of signature merchandise. You can also pick-up your copy of the pre-print CD-ROM of the 2009 Annual Meeting by redeeming your ticket enclosed in your registration packet on-site.

The SME Bookstore will be open the following hours:

Sunday, February 22	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Monday, February 23	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Tuesday, February 24	8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday, February 25	8:00 am – 2:00 pm

General Information

Airport/Transportation Services

Denver International Airport (Airport Code DEN)

8500 Pena Boulevard
Denver, Colorado 80249-6340 USA
Phone: 303.342.2000

For further detailed information regarding Denver International Airport, please contact the airport directly, or visit the official Web page at www.flydenver.com.

Transportation

Downtown Denver is accessible via shuttle, taxi and personal vehicle.

SuperShuttle: 800.525.3177 or 303.370.1300 (Denver Reservations)

Approximate cost for shuttle service from Denver International Airport (DEN) to downtown Denver is **\$21 one-way/\$42 round trip**. Please contact SuperShuttle for the prevailing rates. Reservations are not required. Proceed to Level 5/Baggage Claim of the main terminal. SuperShuttle's counter is adjacent to the car rental counters. For further details, please visit SuperShuttle's official Web page at www.supershuttledenver.com.

Taxi Service: Taxi service from Denver International Airport to downtown Denver is approximately \$48 one-way.

Freedom Cab	Phone: 303.444.4444
Metrotaxi	Phone: 303.333.3333
Yellowcab	Phone: 303.777.7777

Driving directions from Denver International Airport to downtown Denver:

- Start out going North on TERMINAL; RETURN towards PENA BLVD by turning left.
- Take PENA BLVD.
- Take I-70 WEST towards Denver.
- Take I-25 SOUTH.
- Exit onto SPEER BLVD. SOUTH.

Please refer to page 98 for addresses and locations of hotels.

Parking: There are a number of parking options near The Colorado Convention Center that range from \$6 – \$13/day. Please visit www.downtowndenver.com for updated information regarding surface and garage parking options in downtown Denver. Check with your selected hotel regarding parking services, rates and availability.

Meeting Registration Includes:

FULL REGISTRANTS RECEIVE:

- 2009 Pre-print CD-ROM
- Daily Exhibit Hall Access
- Grand Opening Reception (*Sunday, Exhibit Hall*)
- Welcoming Luncheon (*Monday, Exhibit Hall*)
- Admittance to Technical Sessions
- Admittance to Keynote Session
- Afternoon Social (*Tuesday, Exhibit Hall*)
- Continental Breakfast (*Wednesday, Exhibit Hall*)

1-DAY MEMBER-ONLY REGISTRANTS RECEIVE:

- 2009 Pre-print CD-ROM
- Exhibit Hall Access (*on registered day*)
- Grand Opening Reception (*Sunday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Welcoming Luncheon (*Monday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Admittance to Technical Sessions (*on registered day*)
- Admittance to Keynote Session
- Afternoon Social (*Tuesday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Continental Breakfast (*Wednesday, Exhibit Hall*)

EXHIBIT HALL-ONLY REGISTRANTS RECEIVE:

- Exhibit Hall Access (*on registered day*)
- Grand Opening Reception (*Sunday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Welcoming Luncheon (*Monday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Afternoon Social (*Tuesday registrants only, Exhibit Hall*)
- Admittance to Keynote Session
- Continental Breakfast (*Wednesday, Exhibit Hall*)

Shuttle Service

There will be **NO SHUTTLE SERVICE** provided from hotels to the Colorado Convention Center. Please see the hotel concierge for alternatives.