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# **BIABC's 2011 Annual Spring Conference**

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# Who will benefit by attending

Getting Here

City and Urban planners

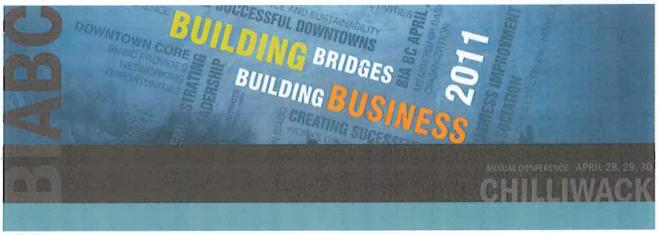
· What to See

- Downtown Association Executives and Staff
- Elected and Public Officials
- Architects and Urban Designers
- Community development professionals
- Those involved with community-based organizations
- Educators
- Community builders
- Mayors and City Managers
- · Academic professionals and students
- Consultants
- · Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Professionals
- Housing Advocates
- Tourism Professionals

## Top 10 Reasons why you should attend

- To get inspired and refuel the tank too often we run on reserve.
- Make new contacts, network, and exchange ideas
- · Discover and discuss the latest trends in the feild
- · Uncover solutions for today's challenges as a BIA
- It's an event where you can learn about the practices that work, about relevant research and what is a head.
- It's a great way to go beyond and demonstrate support for BIA practices. Be a part of the bigger picture.
- · Chances are good it will help you in some aspect of your work that will make an impact.
- Attendees share what they learned with others during the conference and after the conference.
- · Learn from experience and share an experience.
- · Have a great time. What happens in Chilliwack, you shouldn't miss.

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# **BIABC Conference Program at a Glance**

#### Thursday, April 28, 2011

8:30am - 6:00pm Registration

8:00am - 9:00am Breakfast and Networking

9:00am - 10:00am Conference Opening

Welcome by BIABC President and Mayor of Chilliwack, Sharon Gaertz

10:00am - 10:15am Sponsored Networking Coffee Break

10:15am - 11:45am Building Bridges - BIAs coming together

- BIA Start up and beyond Business Recruitment
- **Empty Storefronts**

- Sustainability
  BIAs and Municipalities working together

Noon - 1:45pm Luncheon

Keynote Speaker: Joe Roberts, From Skid Row to CEO

2:00pm - 3:30pm Breakout Sessions

- Marketing & Communications Using radio to help your business target the right consumers
- Management & Staff Attracting, Retaining and Building Business Social & Safety Issues Living in Community: Balancing Perspectives on Vancouver's Sex Industry

3:45pm-5:30pm Chilliwack Tourism Amazing Race

6:00pm - late Evening Reception at Cultural Centre

# Friday, April 29, 2011

8:00am Registration

8:00am - 9:00am Breakfast & Networking

9:00am - 10:00am Keynote Speaker:

10:15am - 11:45am Breakout Sessions

- Marketing & Communications Jeff Nixon, Every Place has a Story what's Yours?
   Management & Staff Influential Women in Business Panel
   Social & Safety Issues Homelessness , Meeting in the Middle

Noon - 1:45pm Luncheon

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Novin, Chief Economist, Bank of Canada

1:45pm - 3:15pm Breakout Sessions

- Marketing & Communications Social Media, Why? We are using it are we getting the most out of Social Media Tools?
   Management & Staff What I need to know about Copyright Law

Social & Safety Issues –Safer Parking Initiative

3:15pm - 3:30pm Sponsored Networking Coffee Break

3:45pm - 5:15pm Breakout Sessions

- Marketing & Communications First Nations and BIAs: Exploring Partnerships
   Management & Staff Governance, Whose Role is it Anyway?
   Social & Safety Issues –Addictions , Understanding the Issues

5:30pm - 6:45pm Evening Reception

7:00pm - Late Dinner & Mixer at Corky's Lounge

## Saturday, April 30, 2011

8:00am Registration

8:00am -- 9:00am Breakfast & BIABC AGM

9:00am - 10:00am Keynote Speaker:

10:00am - 10:15am Sponsored Networking Coffee Break

10:15am - 11:45am Breakout Sessions

- Marketing & Communications Marketing to your Members Creating Buy-In
   Management & Staff The Mall in your BIA
   Social & Safety Issues Murals & Public Art Projects

12:15pm - 2:00pm Best in the West Gala Luncheon

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Registration Fees:	Early Bird By Mar 21, 2011	After Mar 21, 2011
Full Conference (BIABC Member)	\$449.	\$479.
Full Conference (Non-Member)	\$499.	\$549.
One Day Rate: Thurs. Fri. Sat. (Reception & BITW not included)	\$175.	\$200.
Partner/Spouse Registration (Both Evening Receptions, BITW & all meals included)	\$200.	\$225.
Best in the West Awards Luncheon (BITW)	\$60.	\$75.
Corky's Lounge Group dinner. Fri.	\$30. per	\$30. per

Group discount 10% full registration (if registering three or more from your BIA)

## **REGISTER TODAY!**

Early Bird Deadline March 21, 2011



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