

Come To Victoria BC For The 21st Annual NASS Conference!

June 18-21, 2015

Please return the enclosed registration form with your check as soon as possible so that we can get a good count of the number of attendees for meals, bus tour, *etc.* Please also note that everyone who participates in meals, activities, tours or lectures must be appropriately registered; this policy will assure that the conference is self-supporting and that everyone is helping fairly to cover the cost of putting it together.

The conference will be held at the Harbour Towers Hotel in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada (345 Quebec St.). A number of rooms have been set aside at a discounted rate of CN\$135/night (plus tax); some upgrade rooms are also available at higher cost – see the attached page for info. This rate will also apply 3 days before and after the conference if rooms are available. For those who drive, reduced parking fees are CN\$8/night. For reservations, call the Harbour Towers reservation number at 1-800-663-5896 and mention the North American Sundial Society conference, or call the hotel directly at 1-250-385-2405. See the hotel's website (<http://www.harbourtowers.com/>) to learn about the location and view photos. To assure availability of rooms, please make your reservations as soon as possible – no later than May 15.

[Please let us know when you've made a reservation at this hotel so we can adjust the number of allocated rooms if appropriate. We want to be sure we have room for everyone during this peak season event!]

Our registration event with light refreshments and an array of door prizes will take place from 4:30-6:00pm on Thursday June 18th. Roger Bailey, our local host, has prepared a tour for Friday the 19th. We will begin with a walking tour of downtown dials and then will board a chartered bus to go to Butchart Gardens (<http://www.butchartgardens.com/>) for a garden tour, lunch, and visits with a few more dials. The conference talks will be on Saturday the 20th and Sunday morning the 21st. The conference runs through 1:00pm on Sunday; please plan to stay for the entire agenda. Our schedule this year includes the usual range of talks. If you would like to present a talk, please contact Fred Sawyer. If you would prefer to do an informal 5-10 minute presentation on your favorite dialing project, question or story, please let us know now (*in advance of the conference!*) so that we can schedule appropriately. If you have sundials, photos, books, *etc.* that you would like to display, please let us know so that we can arrange to have some table space available. We will try to allocate ½ table per display. Plan to bring your projects to show.

We have two registration plans. Select a registration option for each conference attendee. Note that meals on the Partial Option are only Thursday Reception refreshments, Friday Tour Lunch, and Saturday Conference Dinner. The Partial Option does not include admission to the general sessions.

	Full	Partial
Registration reception & door prizes, Thursday	√	√
Bus Tour and Lunch, Friday	√	√
Talks, Breakfast, Lunch & Breaks, Saturday	√	
Conference Dinner, Saturday	√	√
Talks & Breakfast, Sunday	√	
Admin. Costs, <i>etc.</i>	√	√

View of the Inner Harbour from our meeting room. The ferry from Seattle is docked in the foreground.



Plan NOW To Come To Victoria, BC For The 21st Annual NASS Conference! June 18-21, 2015

Plan your itinerary NOW for this event in Canada's "Jewel of the Pacific" for two very important reasons:

1. The conference will occur 2 months earlier than usual. So plan early for the June 18-21 event.
2. Getting to Victoria (on Vancouver Island) may take some special planning.

Most Victoria flights go through either Seattle WA or Vancouver BC, with the final short hop often being in a turboprop plane. There are a few nonstop jet flights from more distant cities such as Toronto ON, Calgary AB, and San Francisco CA. This information may help you to route your flight; you can also see e.g. <http://www.skyscanner.com/>.

Shuttles from Victoria International Airport to downtown Victoria and our hotel run frequently and cost approx. \$22CN per person; see <http://www.yyjairportshuttle.com/>. Transportation from the airport is also offered by Yellow Cab of Victoria: <http://www.yellowcabvictoria.com/>.

If you make it to Seattle or Vancouver but prefer not to fly the rest of the way, a perfectly good scenic alternative is to take a ferry!

The Victoria Clipper (<http://www.clippervacations.com/seattle-victoria-ferry/>) is a fast passenger-only ferry that makes the trip from Seattle in 3 hours and delivers you to the Victoria Inner Harbour, within a couple blocks of the conference hotel. There are 2 sailings each day.

From Vancouver, a non-flight option is the BC Ferry (www.bcferries.com or 888-223-3779). There are more than a dozen round-trip sailings daily; crossing time is 1 ½ hours. For transportation directly from the airport: Pacific Coach Lines picks up people and luggage at Vancouver airport five times a day and takes them via the BC Ferry through to Victoria bus terminal about four blocks from our conference hotel for ~\$66 + tax including the ferry fare. <http://www.pacificcoach.com/Bus-Coach-Travel/YVR-Victoria-Link/YVR-to-Victoria>.

Or... for pickup in downtown Vancouver:

<http://www.pacificcoach.com/Bus-Coach-Travel/Crosswater/Vancouver-to-Victoria>

Be very sure that you are aware of the ID requirements and procedures for crossing the border – in either direction; for current details, see <http://www.clippervacations.com/crossing-the-us-border/>.

*From TourismVictoria.com : "Boasting the mildest climate in Canada we are green and beautiful year-round. In fact, Vancouver Island, where Victoria is located, is rated the **TOP ISLAND** in the Continental US and Canada and one of the **TOP TEN ISLANDS IN THE WORLD** by the 2012 Travel+Leisure World's Best Awards. We were even rated as the **#1 DESTINATION TO VISIT IN CANADA** by the 2010 TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Awards. You should really come here."*



**Preferred Guestroom Rates for:
North American Sundial Society – Conference 2015
June 18, 19 & 20, 2015**

Room Types	Residential View	Ocean View
Standard Guest Rooms	\$135.00	-
Superior Rooms	-	\$160.00
Bachelor Suite	\$170.00	-
One Bedroom Suite	\$175.00	\$185.00
Two Bedroom Suite		\$215.00
Penthouse Suite		\$260.00

- Complimentary Wi-Fi High speed internet access
- Complimentary Local calls & 1-800 access
- Complimentary Use of our Fitness Centre and Business Centre
- Complimentary In-room coffee, tea, iron/ironing board
- All suite reservations include complimentary Hot Buffet Breakfast at Vics Restaurant (Valued at \$ 14.00 per person)
- Reduce overnight parking rates for in-house delegates at \$ 8.00 per night (Parking spaces cannot be reserved in advance, are subject to availability and provided on a first come first served basis)

Phone **1-800-663-5896** and quote
North American Sundial Society

to receive the preferred rate. A credit card will be required to reserve guestroom.

**Rates are quoted in Canadian Dollars, subject to applicable taxes, are based on up to double occupancy
Valid 3 days before and 3 days after the event subject to guest room availability at the time of booking**