



Dear NACA Members,

We're excited to welcome you to **NACA 2026 in Scottsdale, Arizona**, where the desert backdrop sets the stage for three days of insight, connection, and community unlike any other.

This year's conference has been intentionally designed to balance **substantive industry dialogue** with **meaningful opportunities to connect**, whether that happens over breakfast, on the golf course, by the pool, or during one of our interactive networking events. From the moment registration opens on Tuesday morning, Scottsdale becomes a shared space for conversation, collaboration, and fresh perspectives across the contingency and entertainment insurance ecosystem.

Our **2026 program dives head-first into one of the most pressing forces shaping our industry today: geopolitical risk**. Through a tightly curated sequence of sessions, ranging from Sibylline's global risk outlook, to live crisis simulation, to roundtable discussion, we'll explore how global instability increasingly intersects with live events, film & tv production, tours, and talent, and what that means for underwriters, brokers, and insureds alike. We'll also hear a London Market update and take time to honor the legacy and impact of Ian Galloway within our community.

Of course, NACA has always been about more than panels. **Networking is the heartbeat of this conference**, and 2026 delivers more of it than ever. Tuesday kicks off with parallel experiences: a sold-out golf tournament at **TPC Scottsdale**, and the golf alternative, the **Rancher Hat Social**, where lunch, cocktails, and custom hat-making come together in true Scottsdale style. Tuesday evening's Opening Cocktail Event brings everyone back together poolside to officially launch the conference.

Wednesday is packed with connection, from breakfast through sessions, lunch, and into the afternoon. We're thrilled to again host **Meet Your Neighbor**, our Speed Dating-style networking event designed especially to help first-time and junior attendees expand their circles quickly and confidently. This flows seamlessly into the **Game Show Battle Room Roadshow**, an interactive, high-energy social experience that's just as entertaining to watch as it is to play, before closing out the day with another signature NACA cocktail event under the desert sky.

On Thursday, we intentionally slow the pace, without slowing the networking. An **elevated breakfast experience**, complete with a hosted Bloody Mary and Mimosa bar, creates space to reflect, reconnect, and look ahead. We'll close the conference by sharing board election results, announcing the **2027 conference location**, and spending our final hours doing what NACA does best: strengthening relationships before heading home.

With hundreds of attendees expected once again, NACA 2026 reflects the continued growth, relevance, and camaraderie of our community. Whether you're attending your first NACA conference or your fifteenth, our goal remains the same: to ensure you leave Scottsdale with **new insights, stronger relationships, and a renewed sense of connection to this industry and each other**.

We can't wait to see you in Scottsdale.

Warm regards,
The NACA Board

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2026 AGENDA (all events at the W hotel)

| Date | Time | Event |
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| Tuesday, May 5th | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Welcome Breakfast & Registration (Continental with juice & coffee) - Sponsored by DAC Beachcroft |
| | 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM | Cottontail Lounge Open (pool level of the W Hote) |
| Tuesday, May 5th | 10:30 AM | Buses to Golf Event Depart |
| Tuesday, May 5th | 12:30 PM | Shotgun for Golf Event - Sponsored by HCC Tokio Marine |
| Tuesday, May 5th | 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM | The Rancher Hat Social: Lunch, Cocktails & Custom Hats (Golf Alternative) with Lunch & Drinks - Sponsored by AsGuard & ideal3 |
| Tuesday, May 5th | 5:00 PM | Buses return from Golf Event |
| Tuesday, May 5th | 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM | Opening NACA Cocktail Event - Sponsored by Arch & Reel Media |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM | Breakfast (Continental featuring Parfaits and Brioche French Toast with juice & coffee) - Sponsored by River's Edge |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 8:50 AM | Opening Remarks by NACA Co-Presidents Nick Hanes and Mallory Taylor |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 9:00 AM | Session A - Sibylline presents: Geopolitical Risk Landscape |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 10:00 AM | Session B - "Lights, Camera, Conflict": Navigating Geopolitical Volatility through Live Crisis Simulation |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 11:00 AM | Session C - Geopolitical Roundtable Panel |
| Sessions sponsored by Brown & Brown, Axa XL, Wilson Elser & SERMA ; Wi-Fi Sponsored by Ovation Underwriters | | |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 11:45 AM | London Market Update presented by Andrew Duxbury, Head of Contingency, Beazley |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 12:00 PM | Ian Galloway Celebration of Life led by George Vogrin |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 12:15pm – 1:30pm | Lunch Break |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 1:30pm - 2:45pm | Meet Your Neighbor "Speed Dating" Networking Event (with a hosted open bar) - Sponsored by AsGuard & ideal3 |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Game Show Battle Room Roadshow (interactive social game show event, great to watch, even more fun to play!) - Sponsored by Berkley |
| Wednesday, May 6th | 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM | NACA Cocktail Event - Sponsored by Applied Underwriters & Chubb |
| Thursday, May 7th | 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM | Breakfast (Continental featuring Parfaits and Brioche French Toast with juice & coffee) - Sponsored by River's Edge |
| Thursday, May 7th | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Hosted Bloody Mary and Mimosa Bar (with other alcoholic and non-alcoholic drink options) |
| Thursday, May 7th | 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM | Join us for an elevated Breakfast experience as we look forward to NACA 2027 and a day of Networking |
| Thursday, May 7th | 10:00 AM | Closing Remarks , Board Election Results, 2027 Conference Location Announcement |
| Thursday, May 7th | 9:00 AM - Noon | Networking |
| Conference Agenda subject to change, please follow us on LinkedIn and check the email associated with your registration for any changes while at the conference. | | |
| All Conference Dates | 10:00 AM - 2:00 AM | Cottontail Lounge on the Pool Deck Open for daytime and post-event networking and social interactions |

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