

BOABC Newsletter

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BOABC is dedicated to serving the best interests of the public in building safety by moving forward with the highest standards in professionalism, competency and consistent practice in the Building Community.

2023 Conference Recap

This year's conference took place at the end of May at the River Rock Casino Resort. The event opened with a trade show on Sunday evening and featured a sold-out tradeshow floor in the Show Theatre with 28 different vendors to engage with delegates. The Association was happy to offer the passport prize program for another year with five unique prizes—congratulations to all the prize winners.

Acting Mayor Hobbs was in attendance to offer opening remarks and welcomed a record-breaking number of delegates to Richmond on Monday morning. The first of over twenty-six training and breakout sessions were delivered that

afternoon. The Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC hosted a welcome reception Monday evening which turned out to be a wonderful, sunny evening spent on the patio overlooking the water in the Conference Centre with appetizers and a beer tasting.

The AGM was held on Tuesday morning and the new Association Business Plan for 2023-26 was shared along with the financial results from the past fiscal year.

Delegates attending the banquet dinner on Tuesday evening viewed an exciting performance by Lumadrome, the Circus of Tomorrow, complete with music and three different performance sets by a contortionist, illuminated dancers, and a

cyr wheel performer. Zachary May from the Building and Safety Standards Branch and the Ministry of Housing gave a few words before the start of dinner.

The success of the event would not have been possible without such incredible support from our sponsors, trade show exhibitors, presenters, and other partners. A gallery of event photos and slide decks from presenters have been posted [on the Association website](#).

Thank you again to all the delegates, sponsors, and participants. Stay tuned for information about plans for 2024, as we will be returning to the River Rock Casino Resort for another incredible year.

Conference Sponsor Thank You

We greatly appreciate the support of our Title Sponsor BC Housing, Presenting Sponsor Fortis BC, Banquet Dinner Sponsor InteriorTech, Welcome Reception Sponsor CHBA-BC, and the support of Cloudpermit, BC Hydro, PSD CityWide, Passive House, Stewart McDannold Stuart, the City of Richmond, TECA, Bibby St. Croix, MHABC, BCABD, and HRAI.



Code Update Training

The Association has been collaborating with the Province and other partners to develop and offer code update training for code officials. Development of the online code update training courses for both the plumbing and building disciplines is well underway with the aim of having courses ready by the end of the year. An in-person training session will also take place in November at the River Rock Casino Resort. Stay tuned for more information that will go out through the Association website and by email closer to the launch dates for courses and training.

September Zone Meetings

Dates have been set aside in September for the fall zone meetings. The Lower Mainland meeting is Tuesday, September 5. The South Central meeting is Thursday, September 14. The Kootenay Zone Meeting is Tuesday, September 19. The Vancouver Island South and Vancouver Island North meeting is Wednesday, September 27. The Central and Northern Interior and North West joint meeting is Thursday, September 28. [Take a look at the event calendar](#) on the Association website to be reminded of dates and to see meeting agendas and minutes once posted.

EDUCATION SUMMIT 2023

September 25-26, 2023
Downtown Vancouver



Education Summit

The Association and Canadian Homebuilders Association – B.C. are pleased to offer the 2023 Education Summit for qualified officials, builders and other partners this fall. This event will deliver two days of engaging professional development sessions at the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre in downtown Vancouver on September 25-26.

A wide range of topics will be discussed, participants with the opportunity to learn new skills, get the latest industry updates and network with other leaders. The Building and Safety Standards Branch will have a presentation, along with Mark Bernhardt of Bernhardt Contracting, Tim Ryce of the City of North Vancouver, Andrew

Harmsworth of GHL, the Canadian Construction Materials Centre (CCMC), and others.

***Please note there are special member rates available to BOABC members. These member rate codes have already been sent to members via email.*

View the event agenda, book hotel rooms, and register now on [the Education Summit webpage](#).

Further session descriptions and speaker bios will follow. If you have any questions regarding the event, please contact info@boabc.org or education@chbabc.org.

On Site Step 5 (Net Zero) Workshop Series

Building Officials across the Lower Mainland are invited to register for the cutting-edge, *Step 5 On-Site Workshops* and learn all about the design, construction, and permitting of a ground-breaking townhouse project that targets compliance with Step 5 of the BC Energy Step Code, CHBA's Net Zero Energy Ready Standard, and EL-4 of the Zero Carbon Step Code. The targets this project is committed to exceed our provincial 2032 targets for energy and emissions, today.

The workshops are developed for stakeholders across the building industry including builders,

developers, contractors, architects/designers, energy consultants, municipal officials, and others. Attendees will gain firsthand, practical information from the design and construction teams and will be able to apply what they learn in their own projects.

[See more details about the event.](#)

Continuing education credits are also available to attendees.

[Access the registration links to the Building Officials Workshop.](#)

Note: Each workshop has two sessions. The two sessions are the same and not unique workshops.

For questions, please email: greenbuildings@tol.ca



LGMA Programs & Training

Learn alongside your peers and focus on legal updates, emerging trends, and the latest training for your profession.

The Local Government Management Association (LGMA) regularly holds technical training for local government staff such as: Communications Officers, Records Management, Statutory Approving Officers, Business Cases, Bylaw Drafting, Elections, Freedom of Information, and Policy Analysis.

New programs and opportunities are posted regularly. [Visit their Programs & Training page](#) to see the full listing of opportunities.

Code Official Step Code Peer Network

With support from the Community Energy Association, the Association is planning a fall learning session for the creation of a code officials' specific subgroup to discuss and explore challenges and opportunities relevant to officials and the step code. More information on this learning session is to follow.



Building A Legacy Toolkit

"Building A Legacy" is an initiative of the [Community Energy Association](#) (CEA). This toolkit was created by CEA to enable customized replication of the successful outreach, policy, and education program first delivered in East Kootenay.

The *Building A Legacy* (BAL) Toolkit, inspired by the successful BC Energy Step Code (ESC) engagement initiative carried out in the East Kootenay region of BC, has been prepared for local governments to assist the implementation of the ESC. In this guidebook you will find a general introduction to ESC, related Provincial and local government context, and a collection of implementation activities for use by municipalities. [Find the toolkit here.](#)

TECA Training Courses

TECA's respected Quality First™ training programs are developed by the industry, for the industry, setting minimum standards for the residential and light commercial heating, ventilating and cooling trade in British Columbia. There are ongoing offerings, and some courses are delivered over the summer. [Take a look at the current courses available.](#)

There are courses that Code Officials can register for at a reduced rate at teca.ca/building-officials/.

Building Officials Guide to Inspecting Air & Ground Source Heat Pumps

In this course offered by HRAI, code officials will become familiar with operations and processes when inspecting air and ground source heat pumps. This course is offered online October 17 & 18, 2023. You are committing to both days when you register.

[Visit this link for more information and to register.](#)



New Members

Jackson Molnar
Zachary Fellows
Ana Laura Tapia Gonzalez
Spencer Baker
Frederick Stanley
Justin Pazder
Seyed Saeed Kazemi
Baziar Kakoolaki
Mike Jury
Brody Watson
Fatemeh Fazeli
Talvinder Jagde
Maria Leticia Valle Meza
Darcy Tomlin
James Murphy
Harshada Naik
Chris Doll
Sean McKinnon
Derek Berg
Brandon Farr
Andrew Kortas
Marco Webber

Joyce Insley
Marcel Aarden
Soodeh Fazeli
Adam Warner
Jason Burnham
Cassandra St. Jean
Carl Johnston
Drew Norkum
Katie Mosewich
Soniajeet Paul
Morgan Bresch
Dave Ritchie
John Taylor
Benjamin Kachor
Dawn Miles
Jarrod Craig
Shalon Hunt
Jessica Lacroix
Brittany Hall
Kailie McRae
Matthew Point
John Johnnie
Natalie Henderson

Geoff Vanherwaarden
Alexander De Leon
Samuel Ciprut
Francisco Gadea-Lopez
Ali Raeeszade
Kyle Tieszen
Scott Mossing
Brent Gingras
Eugene Nehring
Michael Koenig
Bachint Sanghera
Oleksandra Leshchenko

Newly Qualified Members

Building Level 1

Harichand Dhaliwal
Todd Harris
Dawn Miles
Musaab Al Dabbagh
Worakamol Urramporn
Marcus Tungol

Jarrold Craig
Neal Peters
Will Boone
Xuan Li
David Ritchie
Joyce Insley
Morgan Bresch
Bachint Sanghera

Building Level 2

Suneil Atwal
Desiree Wells
Dylan Neath
Amanda Malczewska
Brenton Graham
Nikola Pavlovic
Amrit Brar
Natasha Gojevic
Stephen Blaschuk
Kayla Hong
Will Boone
Lionel Hughes
Melissa O'Connor
Jonathan Phelan
Jantzen Quizon
Inder Litt
Nick Martin
Richard Crowdis

Building Level 3

Todd Rowland
Ian Brown
Andrew Sheedy
Tynan Egger
Xin Lu
Brittney Gibson
Teresa Guingcangco

Plumbing Level 1

Kelsey Ingham
Richard Crowdis
Travis Whitaker
Shanon Bossy
Joseph Svehla

Robert Wieler
Cory Nee
Konstantin Vassev
Reuben Matthews
Sasha Choiselat
Pria Giri

Newly Certified Members

Building Level 1

Natalie Mah
Aaron Wiebe
Jonathan VanEssen
Michael Harris
Kris Trithardt
Will Boone
David Barclay
Todd Rowland
Nicholas Jackson
Natasha Mathew
Amrit Brar
Ryan O'Keefe

Building Level 2

Kris Trithardt
Will Boone
Stephen Blaschuk
Desiree Wells
Natasha Mathew
Amrit Brar
Melissa O'Connor

Building Level 3

Ashley Galloway
Dennis Wolf
Natasha Mathew
Brady Shields
Reiner Nikolai
Teresa Guingcangco

Plumbing Level 1

Larry Lee
Michael Harris
Trevor Biro
Sean Gordon
Nicholas Jackson
Ryan O'Keefe
Reuben Matthews

New RBO's

Ashley Galloway
Dennis Wolf
Mariela Siciliano de Aguirre
Natasha Mathew
Brady Shields
Reiner Nikolai
Teresa Guingcangco

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