

# ARPA Annual Conference 2026

DAY 1 SUNDAY FEB 1

Event Center 3

Event Center 4

Canal @ Springhill

1:00PM

Pathway to Excellence:  
Unlocking the Power of  
CAPRA Accreditation

State Parks

Introduction to Artificial  
Intelligence for Parks and  
Rec Professional

2:15 PM

ASPERD

Trips, Travel & Tidbits

Practical Applications of  
AI for Parks and  
Recreation Professionals

3:30 PM

Parks, People & Pennies:  
Navigating Economic  
Challenges with  
Confidence

Beating the Burnout:  
Keeping Staff Energized  
Through the Summer  
Slump

Using AI to Design  
Recreational Programs  
for Special Needs

4:45PM GENERAL OPENING

SOCIAL TBA

DAY 2 MONDAY FEB 2

Event Center 2

Event Center 3

Event Center 4

Canal @ Springhill

9:00 AM

How To Start Your Own  
NHL Street Program

Parks and Recreation  
Marketing with AI

From Scratch to Splash:  
Building a Summer Camp  
That Works

Nurturing a culture of  
possibility: Big ideas for  
all-sized agencies

10:15 AM

Easy Aquatics  
Maintenance – Not  
Really!!!

Parks and Rec AI Security  
and Policy  
Considerations

Their Voice  
Teen Advisory Boards

Coffee & Conversations:  
The Key to Responsive  
and Resilient Parks & Rec

11:30 PM

Level of Service Planning  
for Maintaining Parks

Insights from the SCORP  
Planning Process & Using  
the Plan to Secure Grant  
Funding

Play with Purpose:  
Incorporating STEAM Into  
Your Recreation  
Programming

Recreational Sports  
Yearly Update and  
Important Information

12:30 PM :LUNCH IN EXHIBIT HALL 1:30-3:30 CONNECTIONS

4:00PM HAPPY HOUR IN EXHIBIT HALL SOCIAL TBA

DAY 3 TUESDAY FEB 3

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9:00 AM

Special Events from all  
four corners

Conflict & Violence in the  
Workplace

Race Day Ready: How to  
Pull Off a Smooth Youth  
Track Meet

Easy as Pie: The APIED  
Clinical Process in  
Inclusionary Strategies

10:15 AM

Low Cost Games

Coaching Difficult  
Employees

Lifelong Lessons in  
Leadership

Ready to Respond:  
Elevating Aquatics Staff  
Training through  
Inservices and Drills

11:30 AM

Team Building Games

Young at Heart: Special  
Events for Seniors

The Art of Dealing With  
Difficult People in Youth  
Sport

Seasonal Maintenance  
Strategies: Year-Round  
Park Care Planning

ORANGE BEACH FACILITY TOURS - INCLUDES GRAB N GO LUNCH AND CEU CREDIT

5:30 PM PAST PRESIDENTS RECEPTION

6:00PM CLOSING / AWARDS BANQUET

8:30 PM SOCIAL TBA