



2023

Annual Conference

Keynote:
Shawn Kanungo
Innovate & Disrupt Ourselves



January
18-19, 2023



Soaring Eagle Casino
& Resort
Mount Pleasant, MI

Conference Highlights

- Transportation Funding Panel
- Safety Collaboration Award
- CEH Credits Available
- Networking Events
- Trade Show and more



Shawn Kanungo

Disruption Strategist; Former
Innovation Expert for Deloitte

As a globally recognized innovation and disruption strategist, Shawn Kanungo works at the intersection of creativity, business, and technology. He spent 12 years at Deloitte working closely with leaders to help them better plan for the opportunities associated with disruptive innovation. In his high energy keynotes, Kanungo draws on his extensive experience to provide audiences with an optimistic roadmap for the future; one that embraces unexpected approaches to innovation to remain competitive and relevant.

Questions?

Contact Danielle Coppersmith at
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8:00 am

Registration Opens

8:00 am - 10:00 am

Safe Excavation Practices- Presented by MISSDIG811

The goal of teaching MISS DIG 811 Safe Excavation Practices is to provide safety procedures and online tools to excavators/others that work around utilities and as they comply with the law; Public Act 174. This training is valid for one year and offers 2 CECs for multiple licensures.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Local Area Bridge Program (1 CEH) - Presented by: Keith Cooper, MDOT

Local Agency Program Bridge staff will discuss the overall bridge program for local agencies.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Dispute Review Boards ... "Let's Have a Candid Conversation" (1 CEH) - Presented by: John Friend

Why utilize a Dispute Review Board (DRB) on a project? A respected industry professional, well versed in the execution of DRBs on MDOT projects, will share his perspectives on the critical components of this conflict resolution process. Real life case studies will be shared to illustrate how DRBs can be an effective tool for all parties involved.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Staffing Secrets From an HR Pro - Presented by: Elizabeth Williams, Rehmman

While some say The Great Resignation is over, most organizations are likely faced with filling one or more open positions or, at the very least, they're determined to hold on to and engage the talent they have. In this session, you'll learn how to attract and retain quality employees and understand when you might want to seek out additional support.

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Board of Directors Roundtable - MITA Board of Directors and Invited Guests

9:00 am - 11:00 am

A Case Study in Family Transitions - Presented by: Jacqueline Kaltz-Coulombe, KaltzCoulombe PLLC

Managing family ties without creating negative effects on the business is a difficult feat in daily operations. How will Jim manage these aspects of his business while planning his eventual exit? Learn from Jim's errors in this Case Study of Family Transitions. The best plans start well before the actual event of transition occurs.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Working with Railroads on Infrastructure Projects (1 CEH) - Presented by: Brandan Maurer, MDOT

In this session we will hear from the Michigan Department of Transportation's Office of Rail who will provide guidance and information on interacting with railroads on construction projects. By gaining an understanding of railroads and their requirements, this session will hopefully lead to smoother project outcomes and better communication with railroads

10:30 am - 11:30 am

Equipment Management: The Next Frontier of Construction Technology (1 CEH) - Presented by: Russ Young, Tenna

Contractors often struggle with consistently seeing real gains and value using construction tech. Join us to learn more about how to leverage construction technology to mature your equipment management processes and drive meaningful improvements in your business.

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Safety Director Roundtable - Presented by: Greg Brooks, MITA; Chris Brookes, MDOT & Eric Allen, MIOSHA

Quarterly Safety Director meeting to discuss current safety related topics including MIOSHA updates, citation and injury trends, and new and successful safety practices.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Positioning Your Construction Business for Financial Success in 2023 - Presented by Doeren Mayhew

For a construction company to be successful, it takes a dedicated financial leader to ensure the organization's accounting house is in order. This presentation will give you an in depth look at method of accounting change, proper entity classification, the Michigan flow through entity deduction, and interest expense limitation. In addition, learn about and take advantage of the latest legislation and tax credits available to your business.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Future Leaders Session with Keynote (Future Leaders only)

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Theory of Locating - Presented by MISSDIG811

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch and Trade Show Opens

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Keynote Speaker, Shawn Kanungo

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Presidential Exchange, Future Leaders Awards and Positive Project Safety Collaboration Award

MITA Board President J.W. Fisher and Executive Vice President Rob Coppersmith will deliver the welcome message. Future Leaders Class #12, will be recognized. Additionally, the Positive Project Safety Collaboration award will be announced.

4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

DBE Cocktail Reception, Sponsored by AIS/CRC

Come meet, mingle and network with certified and MDOT prequalified DBE contractors, prime contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, and MDOT's Office of Business Development representatives in a relaxed social atmosphere.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Past Presidents Dinner, Sponsored by Alta Equipment

Past President's & Invited Guests Only



SCHEDULE

January 19, 2023 | THURSDAY

7:30 am - 8:30 am

President's Breakfast, Sponsored by Alta Equipment

Join us as we honor outgoing Board President, J.W. Fisher.

8:00 am

Registration Opens

9:00 am - 10:00 am

When MIOSHA Visits (1 CEH) - Presented by: Greg Brooks, MITA

9:00 am - 10:00 am

MDOT DBE Program Update (1 CEH) - Presented by: Lisa Thompson, MDOT Office of Business Development

Attend this session and hear from MDOT's Office of Business Development leadership about their new FY 2023-2025 DBE Participation Goal and some key initiatives they are wanting to implement to help achieve and exceed their goal.

9:00 am - 10:00 am

Political Landscape - Presented by: Bill Zaagman, GCSI & Lance Binoniemi, MITA

Hear from MITA Vice President of Government Affairs, Lance Binoniemi and MITA's contract lobbyist, Bill Zaagman of Governmental Consultant Services, Inc. (GCSI) on what the outcome of the elections means to state government and the transportation industry politically speaking. Also hear MITA's top legislative priorities for the upcoming legislative session.

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Underground Damage Prevention - Presented by: Dave Chislea, MPSC

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) staff will discuss recent investigations and enforcement related to marking timeliness and damages. In addition to enforcement, the MPSC staff has been in collaborative discussions with utilities and telecom companies utilizing contract locating services regrading marking timeliness. Working with the industry, the MPSC staff wants to ensure resources are dedicated to Michigan so locators can adequately communicate with excavators and mark facilities in a timely manner. If the 2023 digging season results in similar timeliness issues, the next steps the MPSC staff plans on taking are regarding enforcement.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

MDOT Bureau of Bridges & Structures Update & Construction Field Services Update (1 CEH) - Presented by Rick Liptak, Chris Brookes & Chuck Bergmann, MDOT

Update on coming specification and detail changes based on field issues and concerns related to bridges, foundations, and ancillary structures from contractors. Dialogue will also include a high-level view of bridge modeling as Building Information Modeling (BIM) as well as local agency bridge bundling.

Work Zone Administration staff will discuss current work zone initiatives, pilot projects, speed limit signing, specifications, and statewide observations.

10:00 am - 11:00 am

2023 MDOT TDRP Summer Internship Program - Presented by James Jackson, MDOT

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Risk Finance and Captive Insurance - Presented by: Mark A. Rysberg and Chris E. Nyenhuis., Hilger Hammond

This session is intended to provide strategies for understanding and managing insurance procurement with an emphasis on alternatives to guaranteed cost insurance programs. An emphasis is placed on the relationship between risk retention and the financial rewards that can follow when managed properly using alternative risk management techniques including group captive and traditional captive insurance facilities.

10:30 am - 11:30 am

Michigan Construction Website Overview - Presented by: Heather Smith, Michigan Construction

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Getting Paid - Presented by: Ed Boucher & Tyler Phillips, Kotz Sangster

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

How to Handle a Utility Claim (1 CEH) - Presented by Eric Flessland, Jim Urban & Michael Decker, Butzel Long

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Safety Dividend Program/Driver Safety - Presented by: Adam Doyle, Bitco

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

MDOT Innovative Contracting & Contract Administration Update (1 CEH) - Presented by: Ryan Mitchell, Jason Gutting, Dan Burns & Lindsey Renner

Innovative Contracting staff will discuss the latest topics from the MDOT/MITA Standing Committee on Innovative Contracting as well as key issues experienced during construction activities.

Topics will include digital/electronic signature changes, AASHTOWare Project Construction and Materials (APCM), contractor performance evaluations and contract compliance, Buy America for construction materials and manufactured products.

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch and Trade Show Opens

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

MDOT Leadership Presentation (1 CEH), MDOT Partnership Award & Emerging Business Award presentation

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Legislative Transportation Funding Panel, Moderated by: Tim Skubick

This panel session will include top legislative transportation leaders across the state and moderated by political reporter Tim Skubick, aka the Dean of Michigan Politics, to discuss the future of transportation policy and potential long-term sustainable transportation funding solutions.

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Industry Reception, Sponsored by Michigan CAT

Come attend the industry's largest networking event of the year. Need we say more?

9:00 pm

Alta Afterglow, Ascend Nightclub



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Attendee Registration

January 18-19, 2023

Registration deadline is January 13, 2023. *Please copy this form to register more than one person or register online. Payment must be received by January 13, 2023 by all non-member companies planning to attend.

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FEE SCHEDULE

Full Conference (MITA Members) - \$300/per person before 12/16/2022 - \$325 per person 12/17/22 and after

Spouse Registration \$175/pp

Full Conference (Non-Member) \$375/per person

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