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NABWMT's 44th Convention



Our Team

First the Co-Chairs of the 25 CPC are Doug Reynolds, from Kansas City, Missouri and Preston Shumaker from Chicago, Illinois.



Next, Rudy Rudolph from Jacksonville, Florida. Rudy will be our treasurer for 2025, just as he was in 2003.

Then we have Ken and Mack Scott-Baron from Long Beach, California taking care of the technology and getting the word out about all things' convention. No rest for Ken and Mack as they were on the 2024 CPC.

Finally, there is Robert Graham from Marietta Georgia. Robert will be helping with programming and other duties,





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Our Theme

"Show Me Love, Show Me KC, Show Me NABWMT"

Welcome to the first edition of our monthly convention newsletter! The 2025 CPC members would like to invite you to beautiful Kansas City, Missouri for our 44th annual national convention, July 2-5.

Just a quick geography lesson about Kansas City. There are two Kansa City's, and we will be on the Missouri side of the state line. There is a Kansas City, Kansas, and you're welcome to visit it as well as we are a very spread-out metropolitan area, 8,472 square miles to be exact and a population of almost 2.5 million. Kansas city, MO has a little over half a million people.

Our theme for 2025 is a combination of the Missouri State Motto and suggestions from the CPC. The "Show Me Love, Show Me KC, Show Me **NABWMT**" theme will be highlighted during convention week through workshops, speakers, and off-site visits.

As some of you may not be familiar with Kansas City and what we have to offer, we will be using this newsletter to show off and highlight KC and the many exciting things to see and explore here. We will include info on museums, clubs, entertainment, shopping, eateries, transportation as well as info concerning the hotel. We will also use the newsletter to keep members informed about the convention schedule and the events that will take place during the week as well as events before and after the convention.

Following in the footsteps of the 2024 CPC, we will have a big hill to climb. We would like to first thank



the 24 CPC for their outstanding effort in planning and executing a great convention in Albuquerque,. As I am not a writer, our newsletters may not be as lengthy as last year's newsletters were, but we will do our best to keep you informed and updated monthly on convention happenings. With this in mind, please read each month's newsletter carefully to stay abreast about 2025.

We look forward to hosting the 2025 NABWMT national convention in Kansas City, Missouri next July and are working diligently to meet or exceed the impressive 2024 Albuquerque convention! Please feel free to reach out to the 25 CPC members if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas.

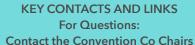


QUICK LINK TO REGISTER FOR THE 2025 CONVENTION

THANKS from the 2024 CPC Co Chair Tim:

Ken Scott-Baron negotiated our members' exclusive access to the NMHIM on July 3 for a donation from us of \$400 plus a one-half page display ad in the convention program booklet valued at \$125. Subsequently, to be in alignment with our \$1,000 community grant/honoraria to three other local ABQ nonprofits, an additional private donation of \$500 in NABWMT's name was made to the NMHIM.





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Host Hotel Reservation

MARRIOTT HOTEL Kansas City Marriott Country Club Plaza 4445 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 816.303.4582

Kind words to Albuquerque 2024

"So great to hear that the convention went well. We were so happy to host your wonderful group and take part in the conference. I also wanted to extend my personal thanks for the card and the gift card. It was such a privilege and honor for me to work and interact with NABWMT; as a young queer man, it was very inspiring to see my "elders" (I'm certainly not trying to imply any of you are old), and that despite the hardships we face as a community, we have the chance to live long and fulfilling lives.

Please let everyone know how grateful I am to have spent time with you all, and I hope that we will get to do so more in the future. If at any point you or any other NABWMT members find yourselves in Albuquerque, our doors will always be open to you.

Best,"

Alexander King, Education Coordinator NM Holocaust and Intolerance Museum