



**2024 Conference**  
**May 21-24, 2024 | Crystal Mountain Resort**

**AGENDA**

(subject to change)

**Tuesday, May 21**

6 p.m. – 11 p.m. Welcome Reception/BBQ Cookout  
*Sponsored in part by: Brown & Brown*  
Room: Lodge Deck & Pavilion

**Wednesday, May 22**

8 a.m. Registration Opens  
Room: Hudson Bay

8:30 a.m. – 9 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
Room: Hudson Bay  
*Sponsored by: Miller Canfield*

9 a.m. – 9:05 a.m. **Welcome**  
Speaker: Michael Bosanac, MACAO President

9:05 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Keynote: “Applied Improvisation”**  
Speaker: Mary Jane Pories, Fishladder, Inc.  
*Sponsored in part by: Michigan Leadership Institute,  
Manquen Vance*

10:45 a.m. – 12 p.m. **“Risk Management Trends: Managing Through”**  
Speaker: Tom Cremonte, Senior Risk Consultant,  
Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority

12 p.m. – 1 p.m. Lunch  
*Sponsors: MAC, MACSC, Michigan Municipal Risk  
Management Authority*  
Room: Wild Tomato Restaurant



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**Wednesday, May 22 (cont.)**

- 1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.     **“Opioid Funding Plans in Michigan Counties”**  
Speaker: Amy Dolinky, Technical Adviser, MAC
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.     **“AI in County Government”**  
Speakers: Caroline Giordano, Principal, Miller Canfield, &  
Erica Jilek, Principal, Miller Canfield
- 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.     **“MAC Legislative Update”**  
Speakers: Stephan Currie, Executive Director, MAC, &  
Deena Bosworth, Director of Governmental Affairs, MAC
- 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.             Reception  
*Sponsor: Maximus*  
Room: Lake Harbor
- 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.             Banquet  
*Sponsored in part by: Gallagher*  
Room: Hudson Bay
- 9 p.m.                        Evening Events/Networking  
*Sponsors: Acrisure, Northland Securities*  
Rooms: Hudson Bay/Lake Harbor

**Thursday, May 23**

- 8 a.m. – 9 a.m.             Breakfast  
Room: Wild Tomato Restaurant
- 9:15 a.m. – 10 a.m.        Board and General Membership Meeting
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.   **“Productive Relationships: Boards and Administrators”**  
Speaker: Eric Walcott, MSU Extension



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**Thursday, May 23 (cont.)**

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. **“Municipal Debt and Updates on the Market and Laws Affecting Issuing Debt for Capital Projects”**

Speakers: Louis Orcutt, Managing Director, Huntington, & Robert Bendzinski, President, Bendzinski & Company

1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Lunch

*Sponsor: Ibex*

Room: Wild Tomato Restaurant

2:30 p.m.

Snacks, Michigan Beverages & **Panel Discussion on Current Trends in Michigan Counties**

*Sponsors: Bendzinski & Co., Rehmann, Dickinson Wright, Huntington*

*Room: Lawn*

7 p.m. – 12 a.m.

Reception & Pizza Party

*Sponsors: Bendzinski & Co., Rehmann, Dickinson Wright, Huntington*

Rooms: Hudson Bay/Lake Harbor

**Friday, May 24**

8:45 a.m. – 9 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

Room: Hudson Bay

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

**Nuts & Bolts**

Moderator: Chris Wren, MACAO Vice President