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# 50th Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop

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July 13-16, 2025



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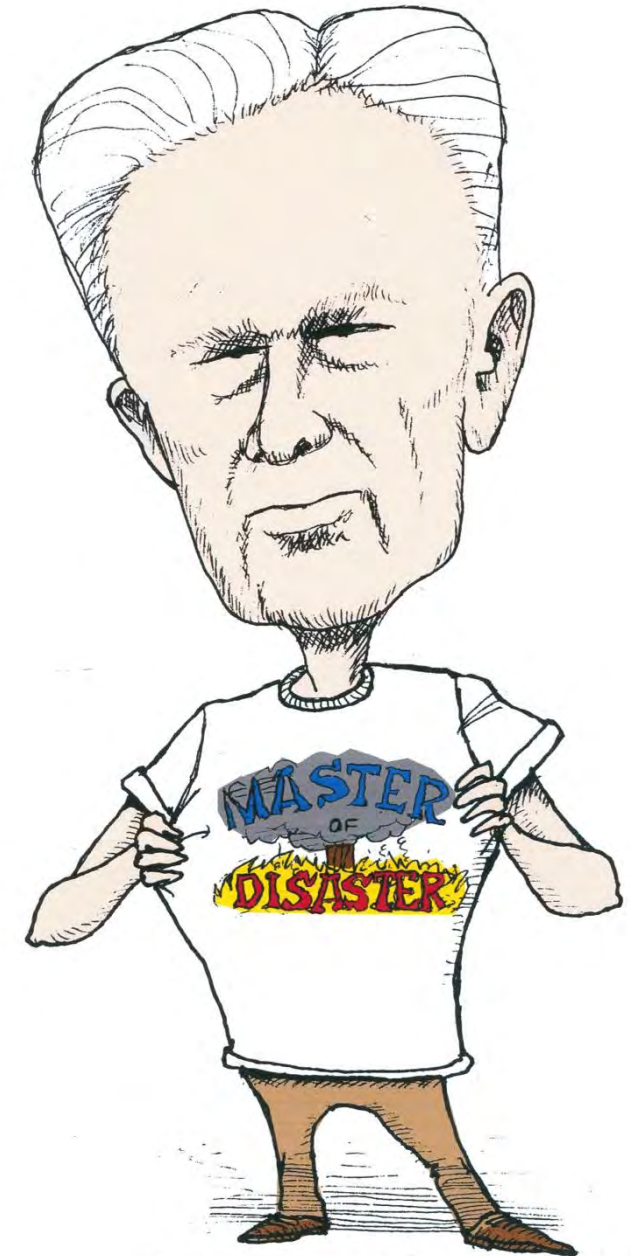
# Workshop History & Purpose



“Workshops provide a ready opportunity to exchange detailed information and to argue the merits of various perspectives, but they need to be attended by professionals from the full range of disciplines and by policy makers from the various levels of government.” –Gilbert F. White



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**NATURAL HAZARDS WORKSHOP**



# Workshop Traditions

- *The People*
- Monday Morning Self-Introductions
- Sessions Start and End on Time – Really!
- AFZ – Acronym Free Zone
- Guided by a Theme and Need to Assess Progress / Events Over Past Year
- Lots of Time for Discussion – *Everyone* Has Something Important to Share
- Long Breaks and Lunches
- BBQ in Boulder
- **New in 2025:** PowerPoint Slides are Welcome in all Sessions!

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# THE NEXT 50 YEARS: CHARTING A COURSE FOR THE HAZARDS + DISASTER FIELD



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# IDEA SUBMISSION PROCESS



# Ways to Contribute

- Primary Goals for Workshop Sessions
  1. **Share** recent research, policies, practice, or other information that can reduce harm and suffering from disasters
  2. **Generate conversations** across disciplinary and organizational divides that promote learning from one another

Idea Submission Form:

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# Call for Ideas

- The [Theme Statement](#)
- Areas of Interest:
  - Looking back and assessing current conditions
  - Envisioning our desired future for the hazards and disaster field
  - Identifying what It will take to achieve our goals
- Other Pressing Hazards and Disaster Topics Also Welcome!

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# Session Types

- Plenary Sessions
- Full Panel Concurrent Sessions
- Training Sessions
- TED-Style Talks
- Networking Roundtables
- More!



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# Tips for a Successful Submission

- Read the submission guidelines carefully
- Be creative!
- Tell a new and interesting story
- Write for the Workshop audience
- Meet word count criteria and check for spelling and grammar errors
- Don't wait until the last minute to submit
- Reach out to planning team and ask questions!

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# Submission Reminders

- Submissions are due **January 31, 2025**
  - We will not accept late submissions or submission via email
- Sessions will be held **in-person** at the Omni Interlocken Hotel in Broomfield, Colorado
- Speakers must **pay for their own travel and registration expenses.**
- Speakers will receive a **\$50 discount** off the full registration price



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# Selection Process

- Workshop Planning Committee **reviews and scores** all submissions.
- What We Look For:
  - **Clear and novel ideas** that cover multiple perspectives of an issue.
  - Ideas and panels that include **diverse perspectives**.
  - High quality, professional, and **well-written submissions**.
  - **Speaker expertise** on topic submitted.
  - Conversations that would **benefit our community** to discuss and debate together.
- We are often choosing between multiple submissions around a single topic area. This means that sometimes we will need to **combine submissions** into one session.
- Due to large number of submissions and **limited space**, even those that score well during the review process may not be accepted.





# Additional Ways to Participate



# Poster Abstracts and Research Highlights

- Poster Abstracts Due: **March 7, 2025**
- Poster Sessions
  - **Sunday, July 13 and Monday, July 14**
  - Present in person on assigned evening
  - Bring a 4ft. X 4ft. printed poster and submit PDF for viewing online and on screens at the Workshop
- Research and Practice Highlights Due: **June 6, 2025**

## Submission Guidelines:

[hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/submission-guidelines](https://hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/submission-guidelines)



# Add-On Meetings

- **Researchers Meeting, July 16-17, 2025**
- Call for Abstracts Now Open!
- **Submissions Due: February 28, 2025**

[hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/researchers-meeting](https://hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/researchers-meeting)

- **Practitioners Meeting, July 17, 2025**

[hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/nhma-meeting/overview](https://hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/nhma-meeting/overview)



# Workshop Opportunities

- **Student Paper Competition**
  - Due January 24, 2025
- **Student Volunteer Program**
  - Due January 24, 2025
- **Meet the Authors**
  - Due March 28, 2025

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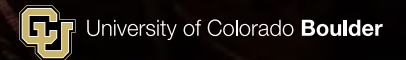
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# Meetings Logistics





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- Registration
  - Opens in early Spring of 2025
  - Register soon as we will quickly reach our cap of 750 attendees
  - Cost and Additional Information:  
[hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/registration](https://hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/registration)
- Travel Information
  - Room Blocks: Omni Interlocken Hotel, Renaissance, Hilton Garden Inn
  - Accommodations:  
[hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/lodging-details](https://hazards.colorado.edu/workshop/2025/lodging-details)





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# Q&A Session





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# THANK YOU



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