

### **MARLS 2023 Conference Exhibitor Registration**

February 15 – 17, 2023 Heritage Inn, 1700 Fox Farm Road, Great Falls, MT 59404 Pre-Conference Seminar - February 15, 2023 Conference - February 16 - 17, 2023 Hosted by MARLS Northwest Chapter

January 3, 2023 Greetings Prospective Exhibitor,

#### Happy New Year!

On behalf of the Northwest Chapter of the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors (MARLS) we invite you to join us at the 2023 MARLS conference being held February 15 - 17, 2023 at the Heritage Inn, 1700 Fox Farm Road, Great Falls, Montana. We will begin the conference on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 with a full day pre-conference seminars presented by Dennis Mouland (8 hr.) and Carlson Software – Jim Reinbold - Carlson Survey Fundamentals - 8 hrs. (multi-sessions to choose from). Thursday (16th) and Friday (17th) will be multi-sessions of 2 to 4 hours each. Included on Thursday is our MARLS annual General Membership meeting at noon. The spouse program will run from February 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

We are also providing breaks during each seminar to allow attendees more time to converse with our exhibitors. On Thursday, February 16th, the evening conference activities will commence with an exhibitor's reception followed by our annual MARLS banquet, MARLS awards ceremony, installation of 2023 MARLS officers, and the MARLS Scholarship Foundation's annual scholarship live auction, silent auction, and games. We hope this is a fun filled event that everyone enjoys while supporting their worthy cause. MSF auction donation sheets are included in this packet. We look forward to seeing you at this coming year's conference.

While the conference itself is a very rewarding and educational experience for attending members, one of the most important aspects of the conference is the correspondence that takes place between member surveyors and the equipment and service providers that keep everyone updated with the newest technologies available to our profession.

Spaces are available for a fee of \$575 per 10x10 booth space (all conference meals included for exhibitors - 1 per booth). There is a discount for reserving 2 or more booths. See registration sheet. We have scheduled many breaks and workshops with exhibitors throughout the conference. Each table provided would be appropriately skirted and electrical power access will be provided upon request. Overnight storage for equipment will be available in one room that will be locked nightly, for your convenience. Please fill out and return the attached application form with payment to reserve your exhibitor space today.

An important contribution that you as an invited exhibitor or invited contributor, but not able to attend, is the sponsorship of one or more conference events. The hosted event will include a posted display advertising the host's name & company and acknowledged on our website. A listing of hosted events is included on the attached exhibitor registration form.

Contact the hotel for arrangements to deliver your equipment ahead of time. If you need to ship your equipment, please contact the hotel for shipping arrangements. We prefer you to setup your booth on Tuesday evening, February 14<sup>th</sup> as the Pre-conference seminar begins at 8 am on February 15<sup>th</sup> and conference registration will begin Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 4pm thus giving exhibitors more time to spend with the attendees. Booth take down can begin Friday afternoon. The exhibitor hall will be open at 4pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February for our members to visit with you all.

### SLEEPING ROOM RESERVATIONS:

### Hosting Hotel is the Heritage Inn, 1700 Fox Farm Road, Great Falls, MT 59404

Available block rate check in dates include from February 14 - 17, 2023 nights and check out dates included through 2-18-23. Single Rate: \$96.00/night + tax.

Please make your sleeping room reservations by 2-1-2023. The cutoff date for MARLS blocked rate is 2-1-2023.

Phone reservations: 406-761-1900 and ask for a room under the block of Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors with code (MARLS) Single \$96/night + tax.

### Alternate hotel: Sleep Inn/Main Stay Suites, 520 Country Club Blvd., Great Falls, MT 59404

Across the street from the Heritage Inn, Great Falls. Phone reservations: 406-761-4600 and ask for a room under the block of Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors with code (MARLS) Single \$98/night + tax. Please make your sleeping room reservations by 2-1-2023. Cutoff date for MARLS blocked rate is 2-1-2023.

**MARLS CONFERENCE EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION REFUND POLICY:** A full refund will be given if cancellation is prior to February 1, 2023. No refunds after February 1, 2023. MARLS Conference exhibitor fees include Wednesday's Pre-Conference Seminar breakfast, lunch and breaks, Thursday and Friday breakfast, lunch, Thursday banquet, MARLS Scholarship Foundation's scholarship auction and Thursday/Friday breaks.

Conference information is available at <u>www.marls.com</u>. A full conference schedule will be posted on the MARLS website at <u>www.marls.com</u> when available early January. Please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. We look forward to seeing you in February 2023. Thank you for your continued support of MARLS and the surveying profession.

On behalf of MARLS President Stew Willis and the hosting Northwest Chapter,

Kay McDonald, MARLS Executive Director

MARLS Contact information: Attn: Kay McDonald

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# **Exhibitor Application Form**

| Company Name:      |                      |  |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|
| Company Address:   | City/State/Zip Code: |  |
| Contact Person:    | Phone:               |  |
| Exhibitor Name(s): |                      |  |
| Email address:     |                      |  |

| here: | Exhibit Space<br>\$575 for one 10'X10' Booth Space<br>\$950 for two 10'X10' Booth Spaces<br>\$1350 for three 10'X10' Booth Spaces | # of spaces<br>Amt. submitted: | *SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:<br>Any additional accommodations<br>not addressed within this<br>application form (i.e. exhibition<br>space location/configuration)<br>will be attended to on a first<br>come-first serve basis. Please<br>itemize any special requests |
|-------|---|--------------------------------|--|
|       | (includes conference meals for 1 person per booth reserved) Electrical service to booth   | >YESNO                         |  |

EVENT SPONSORSHIP (Please indicate number and/or total amounts of desired sponsorship)

| Event               | Approx. Cost ea. | Number to Sponsor | Portion Sponsored | Total |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Coffee Breaks       |                  |                   | \$                | \$    |
| Exhibitor Reception |                  |                   | \$                | \$    |
| Other Sponsorship:  |                  |                   | \$                | \$    |

#### **AUTHORIZATION**

I accept the terms and conditions outlined within this application, including the attached Exhibitor Rules and Regulations.

| Authorized by                   | Title  | 2                               |    |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----|
| PAYMENT INFORMATION             |  |                                 |    |
| Total Amount Enclosed: \$       | Check #                                      |                                 |    |
| Make your checks payable to: Me | ontana Association of Registered Land Surv   | eyors                           |    |
| We accept Visa/MC/AE/Discover   | r. Please note a 4% convenience fee is addec | d to your credit card by MARLS. |    |
| Card #                          |  | Exp. Data                       | e: |
| 3 Digits on back: Ame           | x 4 digit on back: Autho                     | rized Signature:                |    |
| Mail to:                        |  |                                 |    |
| MARLS<br>Kay McDonald           |  |                                 |    |



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Exhibit Show Rules and Regulations Sign and return

These rules and regulations governing the exhibits under the auspices of the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors 2023 Conference are a part of the agreement for space.

Preference for booth location will be based upon the date and time the application was received by MARLS.

**Use of Space:** Exhibitor's shall arrange their exhibits so that they do not obstruct other exhibits. All aisles and the fire doors must be kept clear. Exhibits should be arranged so attendants are within the assigned space. All materials used for decorations, i.e., paper, cardboard, cloth, etc. shall be a flame-retardant type.

**Noise:** Public address, sound producing, or amplifying devices which project sound in an annoying manner beyond the exhibitor's booth are prohibited.

**Liability:** Neither the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors, Inc. or the Heritage Inn, Great Falls, Montana, nor any member of the above named will be responsible for any injury, loss, or damage that may occur from any cause whatsoever. The exhibitor, upon signing the booth contract, expressly releases the aforementioned from any and all claims for such loss, damage, or injury.

**Security:** The Exhibitor Area will be monitored by hotel security during times when exhibits are not being shown and all reasonable precautions will be taken to protect exhibitor's property. MARLS will provide a lockup room to store exhibitor items upon request overnight throughout the conference. (Close to the exhibitor sites)

**Cancellations:** In the event an exhibitor finds it necessary to cancel his participation in the exhibit program, refunds will be made as follows: Cancellations prior to February 1, 2023 will receive a full refund. Any requested cancellations on or after February 1, 2023 will not receive a refund unless the space is resold.

**Regulations:** These regulations become a part of the contract between the MARLS conference exhibitor and the Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors. They have been formulated in the best interest of the exhibitor. MARLS ask full cooperation of the exhibitors in their observance.

Additional Services: Any additional tables, chairs, decorations, or power requirements by the exhibitors will be arranged by the exhibitor and at the exhibitor's expense.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN WITH YOUR REGISTRATION



# **MARLS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC.**

P.O. Box 359 Columbia Falls, MT 59912 Phone (406) 253-5527 <u>kay@marls.com</u>

MARLS Scholarship Foundation's Annual Scholarship Auction and Fundraiser MARLS Conference February 15 - 17, 2023 Auction held on February 16, 2023 (following the banquet) Heritage Inn, Great Falls, MT

The Montana Association of Registered Land Surveyors, (MARLS), is a statewide non-profit association whose membership includes Professional Land Surveyors from across Montana, the surrounding states, and Canada. The MARLS Scholarship Foundation, (MSF), was created to raise money for student scholarships and awards. MSF has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501 (C) (3) entity. Each year MARLS holds a fundraiser in conjunction with the annual MARLS Conference to provide funds for MSF. This is the main fundraising event for the MARLS Scholarship Foundation.

The MARLS 2023 Conference will be held at the Heritage Inn, Great Falls, Montana on February 15 - 17, 2023. The MSF fundraiser consists of games, raffles, a silent auction, and a live auction throughout the Thursday night banquet evening. Among the many attendees, bidders at the auction include licensed surveyors, exhibitors, seminar presenters, spouses, students, guests, and surveyors in training. This fundraiser is always one of the highlights of the conference.

The Scholarship Foundation distributes various types of scholarships and awards to eligible students.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Year Scholarships are available to students entering a curriculum recognized by the Montana Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors as meeting the requirements for a person to eventually become a Licensed Professional Surveyor.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Scholarships are available to students entering the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 2-year surveying curriculum or the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of a 4year surveying focused curriculum.
- Trig-Star Scholarships and Awards are available to Montana High School students who participate in the Trig-Star Program. The Trig-Star Program is a national mathematics competition held annually to test students' practical application of Trigonometry. There is no requirement on the Trig-Star Scholarship recipients to enter a surveying-focused curriculum.
- In the past many years, MSF has awarded over \$200,000 in scholarships and awards to students across Montana. This has been made possible by generous donations to the scholarship auction and fundraiser. The MARLS Scholarship Foundation continues fundraising efforts to maintain support of students continuing their education in surveying.

In 2011, MSF created the MSF Surveyor Assistance Fund. This fund is dedicated to helping our surveyors and their families in times of crisis. This is also a choice to check to donate your item submitted for the auction.

We would like to ask you to donate an item to these worthwhile causes. The donated item does not need to be surveying related.

Thank you for your participation in the MSF annual scholarship auction and fundraiser, your support is appreciated.

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MSF President



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### MARLS Scholarship Foundation, Inc. A 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Organization MSF FUNDRAISER DONATION ITEM TRACKING SHEET MARLS Scholarship Foundation or MARLS Surveyor Assistance Fund

The MSF auction and fundraiser will be held at the MARLS 2023 conference at the Great Falls, MT Heritage Inn on the evening of February 16, 2023.

Email or mail this form to: Please Retain a copy MARLS c/o Kay McDonald P.O. Box 359, Columbia Falls, MT 59912 Email: <u>kay@marls.com</u> Website: <u>www.marls.com</u> Phone: 406-253-5527

Please check which MSF fund you prefer your donation to benefit: If you do not specify, the item will be disbursed to the MSF Scholarship Fund.

□ MSF Scholarship Fund

MSF Surveyor Assistance Fund

PLEASE EMAIL THIS FORM TO <u>kay@marls.com</u> by February 5<sup>th</sup> to help list items for the fundraiser. Thank you, as this enables MSF to complete the auction items list in a timely manner.

| Donor's Name                                |    |
|---|----|
| Business Name                               |    |
| Address, City, State, Zip                   |    |
| Phone                                       |    |
| Email                                       |    |
| Name of Donated Item                        |    |
| Description of Item                         |    |
| Estimated Retail Value                      | \$ |
| Anticipated Date of Donation<br>or Delivery |    |
| Special Instructions or<br>Considerations   |    |

Attach a copy of this form to your item if you are bringing your item to the conference for auction night.