

# OAPPA 2026 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Resilient Campuses, Sustainable Futures: Leading Universities Through Change

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS SCHEDULE IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## May 26, 2026 – Check-in & ‘Tap Into Connection’ Social

(Sponsored by: TBD)

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	NOTES / STATUS
By 2 PM	Participants begin arriving in Sault Ste. Marie		Hotel check-in: <a href="#">Holiday Inn Express</a>
3 – 5 PM	Conference Check-in	Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre 50 Pim St. 705-945-6242	Connect with your AU hosts, collect your swag bag, and enjoy a self-guided tour of the Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre. <b>Sponsored by: TBD</b>
3 – 10 PM	Tap Into Connection Social	The Tap Room Northern Superior Brewing Co. 50 Pim Street 705-450-SHOT	Enjoy live music, a brewery tour, finger foods and collaboration after a long day of travel. <b>Sponsored by: TBD</b>
5 – 7 PM	OAPPA Annual General Meeting	Northern Superior Brewing Co. “Wolf Den”	

## May 27, 2026 – Learning from Place

*Indigenous-led learning, land-based experiences, and shared reflection grounded in place and community.*

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	NOTES / STATUS
8:00 – 8:30 AM	Bus Shuttle To Algoma U	Pick up: Hotel Drop off: AU Bus Loop	Enter AU via Door Z
8:15– 8:45 AM	Arrival & Light Refreshments, followed by seating in Lecture Hall	Arrival & Refreshments (NW201) Lecture Hall (NW200)	
8:45 – 9:15 AM	Opening Remarks, Land Acknowledgement & Opening Ceremony	NW200	Plenary Session

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9:15 – 10:15 AM	Indigenous-Led Session on Land & Resilience	NW200	Plenary Session Speaker: TBC
10:15 – 10:30 AM	BREAK		
10:30 – 12:00 PM	Guided Truth Walk - historic site tour of the former Shingwauk Indian Residential School	AU Campus	Plenary Session Speaker/Guide: Serena Hill and team
12:00 – 1:00 PM	LUNCH	The Speakeasy	
1:00 – 2:15 PM	Speaker (TBD)	TBD	An exploration of risk-aware operational strategies supporting resilience and sustainability in changing campus environments.
2:15 – 2:30 PM	BREAK		
2:30 – 3:30 PM	Program Block	TBD	Session offerings will be confirmed based on registration numbers.
3:45 – 4:00 PM	Shuttle back to Hotel	Pick up: Bus Loop Drop Off: Hotel	
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Vendor Exhibit Setup & Food Vendor Setup	Roberta Bondar Park - Waterfront	
4:30 – 4:45 PM	Transition to Roberta Bondar Park for evening event.	Roberta Bondar Park - Waterfront	Optional early arrival at Roberta Bondar Park - walkable distance to venue from both hotels.

## An Evening by the Water: Social Gathering & Vendor Exhibit

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TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	NOTES / STATUS
4:30 – 6:30 PM	Dinner, Live Music, Vendor Exhibit Booths	Roberta Bondar Park - Waterfront	
6:30 – 9:30 PM	Miss Marie Boat Cruise (Pre-Registered)	Roberta Bondar Park - Waterfront	

## Thursday, May 28, 2026 – Learning, Innovation & Keynote

*Focus: Knowledge sharing, sector collaboration, future-focused insights.*

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	NOTES / STATUS
8:00 – 8:15 AM	Shuttle to The Canal District	Pickup: Hotel Drop off: The Canal District	
8:15 – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast	Machine Shop	Coffee, fruit, muffins
9:00-10:30 AM	Keynote Speaker	Machine Shop	Tye Farrow
10:45 – 12:00 PM	Vendor Exhibit	Machine Shop	
	Breakout Session Topic Ideas - TBD • Space • Health & Safety	Bankers Room	Facilitated breakout discussions offered in two consecutive 30-minute program blocks.
	Program Block	Steamfitters Lounge	
12:00 – 12:45 PM	LUNCH	Machine Shop	
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Plenary Session	Machine Shop	Platinum Sponsor Presentation
2:00 – 2:15 PM	BREAK		
2:15 – 3:15 PM	Program Block	Machine Shop	Session offerings will be confirmed based on registration numbers.
3:15 – 3:30 PM	BREAK		
3:30 – 5:00 PM	Vendor Exhibit	Machine Shop	
	Breakout Session Topic Ideas - TBD • Custodial • Maintenance / Groundskeeping	Machine Shop	Facilitated breakout discussions offered in two consecutive 45-minute program blocks.
	Program Block	Steamfitters Lounge	
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Vendor Exhibit & Cocktail Hour	Machine Shop	
6:00 – 9:00 PM	Dinner Event	Machine Shop	

## May 29, 2026 – Travel Home

*OAPPA 2026 Conference Concludes.*