

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, Sept. 11

Topic	Time	Location
Registration	9:00 - 5:00	Golden Ballroom Foyer
Silent Auction Item Drop Off	8:00 - 5:00	Keystone & Telluride
NFPW Board Meeting	9:00 - 12:00	Evergreen Room
NREL Tour	10:00 - 11:30	Lobby 9:45
Membership Meeting, Milestones & Memorials	1:00 - 4:00	Salons A, B, C, D
Contest Directors Meeting	4:15 - 5:00	Salon H
POPPS Meeting	4:15 - 5:00	Salons F, G
Shuttle to Welcome Reception	5:00 - 5:30	Meet in lobby
Welcome Reception	5:30 - 7:30	Foothills Art Center

Friday, Sept. 12

Topic	Speaker(s)	Time	Location
Breakfast Buffet		7:30 - 9:00	Salons A, B, C, D
Welcome	Colorado State Sen. Lisa Cutter	8:00 - 8:15	Salons A, B, C, D
State of Media in Colorado What are the challenges, the bright moments, the existential threats?	Moderator: Donna Bryson Kyle Clark, Dana Coffield, Lee Ann Colacioppo, Ryan Warner	8:15 - 9:15	Salons A, B, C, D
Science Storytelling Workshop How to communicate about climate change and other “hot topics”	Camille Bergin, Cassie Lee	9:30 - 10:45	Salons F, G
Women in the Newsroom Stepping into leadership roles, overcoming inequality	Maeve Conran, Elizabeth Pond	9:30 - 10:30	Salon E
Beating Burnout A smarter approach to work-from-home and life balance	Emily Guerra	11:00 - 12:00	Salon E
Small Media Outlets, Big Impact The importance of local news, focused on community issues	Moderator: Linda Shapley Patti Brown, Vicky Collins, Deborah Martinez Martinez	11:00 - 12:00	Salons F, G
Lunch Buffet		12:00 - 1:00	Salons A, B, C, D
Keynote Eating and drinking with Buffalo Bill	Steve Friesen	12:30 - 1:15	Salons A, B, C, D

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Nonprofit News Models Are they working for owners, reporters, funders, readers?	Moderator: Laura Frank Melanie Asmar, Tina Griego, Nathan Schneider	1:30 - 2:30	Salons F, G
Crisis Communications Addressing natural disasters, cyberattacks, school shootings, pandemics and more	Moderator: Marilyn Saltzman Jacki Kelley, Dave Perry, Mark Techmeyer	1:30 - 2:30	Salon E
Beyond Bias Creating a media-savvy public	Kelly Jones-Wagy, Vanessa Otero	2:45 - 3:45	Salon E
PR with a Purpose Strategies for engaging diverse audiences	Jolene Fisher, Bryn Webster	2:45 - 3:45	Salons F, G
CV/Portfolio Review	Rebecca Brooks	By appt.	TBA

SILENT AUCTION

9:00 - 2:00

Keystone & Telluride

Authors' Alley

3:00 - 5:00

Salon Foyer

NFPW Education Fund Meeting

4:00 - 5:00

Salons F, G

Affiliate Membership Chairs Meeting

4:00 - 5:00

Salon H

Happy Hour

5:00 - 6:00

Monarch Room

COA Rehearsal

5:00 - 5:30

Salons A, B, C, D

Communicator of Achievement Awards Banquet

6:00 - 8:00

Salons A, B, C, D

Saturday, Sept. 13

Breakfast Buffet

8:00 -
9:00 Salons
A, B, C, D

2026 NFPW Conference Invitation

8:30 -
9:00 Salons
A, B, C, D

President's Roundtable

A glimpse of the Colorado magazine scene

Moderator: Julie Campbell
Tina Eichner, Kathi McCarty,
Elizabeth Mehert-Ab

9:15 -
10:15 Salons
A, B, C, D

Boost Your Website's Impact

Intro to user experience (UX)

Julia Laser, Amy Vaughn Liles,
Kelly Scott Raisley

10:30 -
11:30 Salons
F, G

When Facts Are Fiction

Upholding journalistic standards in a
challenging media environment

Moderator: Lee Anne Peck
Angelica Kalika, Elizabeth Skewes,
Bob Steele

10:30 -
11:30 Salon E

Lunch Buffet

12:00 -
1:00 Salons
A, B, C, D

High School Communications

Contest Awards

12:30 -
1:15 Salons
A, B, C, D

Scribere Ex Machina

How emerging communicators use artificial
intelligence

Moderator: Stacy Feldman
Isabel Guzman, Sydney McGarr

1:30 -
2:30 Salon E

Pitching Your Story

Succeed in placing your stories across media with expert advice

Censorship vs Free Flow of Info

Who is censoring whom? Who decides?

CV/Portfolio Review

Networking Roundtable

Creating community in remote worksites

Networking Roundtable

Making small and niche newspapers work

Student Networking

The next generation of communicators connect across campuses

Deb Hurley Brobst, Regina Griego, Chandra Thomas Whitfield

Eric Sondermann, Steve Zansberg

Donna Bryson, Sylvia Lambe, Helen Richardson

1:30 - 2:30 Salons F, G

2:45 - 3:45 Salon E

By appt. TBA

4:00 - 4:45 Salons A, B, C, D

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4:00 - 4:45 Pool Area

SILENT AUCTION

9:00 - 2:00

Keystone & Telluride

Silent Auction Item Pickup

4:00 - 5:00

Keystone & Telluride

Authors' Alley

3:00 - 5:00

Salon Foyer

Happy Hour

5:00 - 6:00

Poolside Bar

Communications Contest Awards Banquet

6:00 - 8:30

Salons A, B, C, D

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