

NGA GLASS CONFERENCE FAQs *as of June 2021*

Q: Will the NGA Glass Conference be held in July 2021?

A: Yes, the NGA Glass Conference will be held in two parts. Part 1 will occur on July 20 via Zoom and Part 2 in person in Atlanta, GA in conjunction with GlassBuild America, Sept. 13-15.

The originally scheduled in-person summer event in Chicago was cancelled due to continued precautions and travel limitations associated with the pandemic.

Q: What are the conference dates?

A:

NGA Glass Conference: July (Part 1)

July 20, 2021 from 3:00-5:00 pm

Online via Zoom

NGA Glass Conference: September (Part 2)

Sept. 13-15, 2021

In person in Atlanta, in conjunction with GlassBuild America

Q: How did you decide upon the 2-part format?

A: Past attendees and committee members recognize the importance of regular meetings to keep up with ongoing changes in the industry. Since our last NGA Glass Conference via Zoom in February, there are many updates to share.

Meeting in July will allow us to touch base and share timely information. Meeting in September will provide the in-person interactions that traditionally take place at NGA Glass Conferences—formally around the committee tables, and informally as industry peers gather during breaks and other activities to address our industry’s challenges and opportunities. With GlassBuild America “back to business” this fall, the Association is capitalizing on existing facilities, hotels and potential attendees to host an in-person gathering.

Q: What can I expect each conferences?

A: The **online event on July 20** will offer a concise and valuable meeting opportunity.

- A ‘state of the association’-style update from each of our committee leaders will address the great work our volunteers have accomplished since our last online gathering in February.
- Time to share the latest challenges and opportunities will provide a platform to help direct future advocacy and technical initiatives—this conversation will continue in greater detail at our in-person meeting in September.
- An informal networking hour will close out the meeting.

Find more [information](#) on NGA Glass Conference: July and [register](#).

The **in-person event in September** will refocus on the traditional core values of the conference – an opportunity to be among peers from across the supply chain and time for collaborative discussions.

- Topics include building and school security, bird-friendly glazing options, standards and codes updates, global warming potential, anisotropy, shower enclosures and more.
- Conversations will focus on engaging our stakeholders to promote, educate and advocate for glazing and glass building products in design, as well as identify areas to elevate and expand its research and advocacy for the betterment of the industry.
- The conference will conclude with hands-on action steps applicable to each of NGA’s committees.

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Q: Who should attend the NGA Glass Conference part 1 & 2?

A: These events are for people who want to understand what their company is facing in the technical and codes realm related to glass, glazing and systems. Historically, our twice annual in-person conferences attract the most forward-thinking manufacturers, fabricators and suppliers who show up to make sure their voice is heard and to participate in the development of [hundreds of technical resources](#) NGA makes available to its members, stakeholders and the industry at large. While you can attend either part 1 or Part 2, you will find the most value from attending both.

Q: I am a past sponsor of NGA conferences, and I want to support the NGA Glass Conference again. What packages are available and how do I participate in this way?

A: Thank you for your past sponsorship and we greatly appreciate your interest. Sponsors receive double exposure this year thanks to the two-part structure in July and September. Please contact sara@glass.org for more information.

Q: What's the plan for NGA Glass Conferences in 2022?

A: We are researching venues to host our NGA Glass Conference in January 2022. Stay tuned for more information as plans evolve.