

GFABRadisson Blu Chicago









GFABEvent Goals

- Create a new event that builds on the strengths of NGA's existing fabricator conferences (NGA Glass Conference and GPAD), with higher attendance and more fabricators of all sizes
- Draw Executives, Technical Leaders, and Production Personnel for in-person education
- Create 1:1 direct networking between fabricators and their key suppliers
- Elevate NGA advocacy and technical activities



GFAB NGA's Strategic Goals

Educate

GFAB's program is being designed to help glass fabricators build stronger, safer, more profitable companies.

Advocate

NGA's essential advocacy and technical work continues at GFAB.

Workforce Development
 NGA introduces in-person, hands-on learning at GFAB.



GFAB Event Overview

- GFAB will replace NGA Glass Conference held in the winter
- If you are at NGA Glass Conference, you belong at GFAB
- So, we will see you April 26-29, 2026
 Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel, Chicago



GFAB Event Overview

You belong at GFAB, if:

- You are a glass fabricator
- You are a supplier partner
- You are an executive/decision maker
- You are a glass industry technical, engineering leader
- You are on the glass plant production floor (manager, quality control, maintenance, etc.)



GFAB Event Overview

Three Tracks for Targeted Education and Programming

- Executive Track
- Technical Track
 (NGA Glass Conference Track)
- Workshop Track



GFABExecutive Track

High-level, industry-specific programming for execs, VPs, strategic leaders Space is limited

- Construction forecast, economic updates
- Eye on technology and automation
- Glass design and market trends
- State of the glass industry
- Building your workforce
- Speakers will include: experts in manufacturing, construction economists, high-profile architects, leaders in recruitment and workforce development, and more
- Targeted networking opportunities for executives



GFABTechnical Track

More traditional NGA Glass Conference programming for Committee volunteers, glass technical leaders, suppliers, and more.

- Meetings for NGA's Fabricating, Forming and Advocacy Committees
- Updates on code, standard, and regulatory changes that will impact your companies
- Technical discussions about key glass fabrication issues
- Presentations about advancements in fabrication technologies, processes



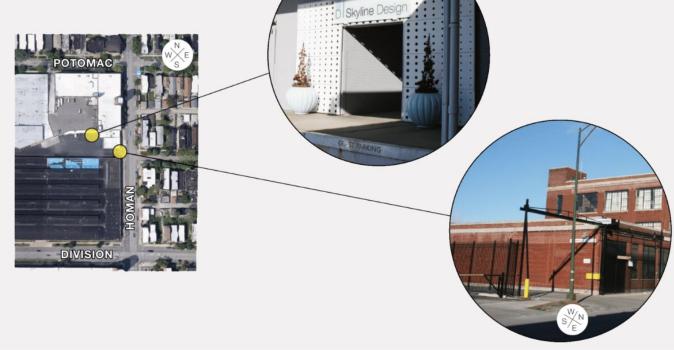
GFABWorkshop Track

Tempering workshop and production-focused education for plant personnel. Offsite, at Skyline Design's Chicago fabrication facility. Space is limited.

- Focus on glass tempering—common challenges, best practices, quality control, etc.
- Interactive, hands-on learning in an in-person factory environment
- Valuable production-focused educational programming for attendees
- Education on equipment advancements and automation solutions, quality control tools, maintenance considerations, and more
- Content to help fabricators improve quality, increase profits and productivity, reduce rejects and downtime



GFAB Skyline Design









GFABProgram for All Attendees

GFAB will bring together attendees from all tracks for numerous conference-wide networking opportunities and events.

- GFAB Lab Networking area, with handson activities, table-top exhibits and interactive games/contests
- Glass factory tour
- Fun run/walk
- NGA Volunteer Award reception and dinner
- Off-site networking
- Conference breakfast, lunch



Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, April 27 April 26 April 28 April 29 All All Attendees Workshop Attendees Technical Track GFAB Lab Track (offsite – Technical **Executive Track GFAB Lab** Tabletop Skyline Program Track Program networking Tabletop Design) Program interactive networking interactive zone zone All Attendees Glass Factory Tour (offsite - Skyline) **Executive Track** All Attendees All Attendees Welcome NGA Award Reception and Reception Dinner Networking Event (offsite)

GFAB FAQs

Is GPAD still happening? What about the winter NGA Glass Conference?

- No. GFAB will replace GPAD and the winter NGA Glass Conference, bringing together the strengths of these two events while adding additional education, programming and networking opportunities that stakeholders have been seeking.
- In other words:
 See you in Chicago, April 26-29



GFAB FAQs

Can I attend more than one Track?

- It depends.
- Executive Track + Technical Track
 YES (space is limited for Executive Track)
- Executive Track + Workshop Track
 YES (space is limited for both tracks)
- Technical Track + Workshop Track

 MAYBE. Committee work will be ongoing during the Workshop Track. We strongly encourage companies to send plant personnel to the Workshop.



GFAB FAQs

Are you looking for sponsorships?

- Yes!
- Scan the QR code to check out the Sponsorship Prospectus





