

CALL FOR PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

APTNE 2023 ANNUAL MEETING & SYMPOSIUM

TESTED BY FIRE: FIRED MATERIALS

The Association of Preservation Technology Northeast Chapter (APTNE) invites the submission of abstracts for consideration for presentation at the upcoming 2023 APTNE Annual Meeting & Symposium, to be held on Friday, March 3, 2023, with an in-person event held in Salem, MA, as well as a virtual program. The overarching theme of the 2023 APTNE Annual Meeting & Symposium is **fired materials** and will feature presentations and a panel discussion from professionals, emerging professionals, and local students.

Fired materials run the gamut from utilitarian clay sewer pipes and brick masonry, to ornate art tile and polychrome terra cotta. Their usage has allowed buildings, cities, and regions to grow rapidly or take on unique visual characteristics.

How have these materials evolved over time and how have our cities and towns evolved with them? What challenges are present when trying to restore or protect fired materials manufactured in a different time period with different processes and materials? Have some past restoration techniques evolved, while others have stood the test of time? What role do fired materials have in the evolution of fireproofing in buildings?

Presentations must be tied to one of the following tracks:

- History and evolution of fired materials- brick, ceramics, terra cotta, glass, singed heavy timber
- Analysis of fired materials and evolving research
- Challenges of matching historic fired materials in a changing economy and regulatory environment (glazes, limited manufacturing, aesthetics, etc.)
- Cultural significance of fired materials in vernacular architecture
- New interventions and revisiting previous restoration techniques

We encourage not only material history, material studies and analysis, and case studies, but also social discussions, technical discussions, and academic research.

Presentations are to be 25-30 minutes in length and are to be in English, with a maximum of two speakers. The due date for Abstract Submission is **October 17th, 2022**.

Abstract submission will be through the APTNE website. The following materials will be required to submit an abstract:

- Contact Information- Name, Email, Phone Number
- Presenter Information- Resume, Head shot, Biography (250 words or less)
- Abstract Information- Title, Abstract (500-900 words in word doc and plain text)
- Impact Statement- Up to 250 words about how your proposed abstract is related to technology in preservation and how it will build upon and/or advance the field of preservation
- Photographs- at least two photographs referencing the abstract

The selection process and notifications will be completed in Mid-November.

If you are interested and have your materials ready to go, please go to the following website for submission:

[Abstract Submission](#)