

# CALL FOR PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

## APTNE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING & SYMPOSIUM

### Facilitating Preservation: Solving Complex Challenges Together

The Association of Preservation Technology Northeast Chapter (APTNE) invites the submission of abstracts for consideration for presentation at the upcoming 2024 APTNE Annual Meeting & Symposium, to be held on **Friday, March 1, 2024**, with an in-person event, as well as a virtual program. The overarching theme of the 2024 APTNE Annual Meeting & Symposium is the integration of preservation and facilities management and will feature presentations from professionals, emerging professionals, and local students.

Whether a small house museum, a large educational campus, or somewhere in between, preservation professionals work with facility managers, directors, caretakers, stewards, and contractors on the tasks of maintaining, upgrading, and retrofitting their historic and existing properties. As facilities plan for the future, they must acknowledge and adjust for the unique challenges of their spaces that frequently do not meet modern code requirements. Preservation professionals bring useful skills that can ensure these plans are sensitively implemented.

Facilities and institutions are at the forefront of solving complex challenges to changing needs of the public from energy upgrades to accommodating a diverse population. Learn what it takes to develop, update and maintain an institution from a small historic house museum to a complex university campus.

Presentations must be tied to one of the following tracks:

- Planning: documentation, master planning, emergency planning, maintenance, grants, community inclusion
- Teamwork: working with facilities teams, caretakers, stewards, contractors, funding, preservation professionals
- Designing: technical and aesthetically sensitive upgrades and evolving uses
- Challenges of retrofitting and occupancy: energy, use of space, seismic, accessibility, size, finishes
- Operational concerns: financial, coordination, scheduling, prioritization of work, closures

We encourage not only design analysis, planning, and operational discussions and case studies, but also social discussions, technical discussions, and academic research.

Presentations are to be 25 minutes in length and are to be in English, with a maximum of two speakers. The due date for Abstract Submission is **October 20th, 2023**.

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](#)