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# eTEA Update

1/25/07

## **TEA at EAS Events - Seville**

**Tues. Jan. 30 - 13.00-14.30 - "Talk and Tapas"** Roundtable Session. Come meet your volunteer TEA leaders and talk about the association, the industry and other topics of interest.

**Wed. Jan. 31 - 10.00 - 11.00 - TEA Members Meeting**, location to be determined. Stop by the TEA booth (#3608) to get details on site.

**Wed. Jan. 31 - 18.30 - 20.30 - TEA Mixer**, at the **Corner Bar**, Av. de la Innovacion, Renta Sevilla Bldg (In front of convention center)

## **Upcoming TEA Events**

**Feb. 12 - TEA Eastern Division Mixer**, Velvet Lounge, Hard Rock Hotel, Universal Orlando

**March 2-3 - TEA Summit**, Grand Californian Hotel, Anaheim, CA

**March 3 - 13th Annual Thea Awards Gala**, Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim California

[Click Here to Book Tickets!](#)

## **LAST CALL - Thea Awards Program Ad DEADLINES**

### **Be Sure To Connect Your Good Name To TheThea Awards**

Space Reservations by COB Pacific Time Monday January 29

Artwork due by COB Pacific Time Wednesday January 31

Contact **Raina Ross** Immediately 818-843-8497 [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org)



# Eastern Division Mixer A Blast!

More than 60 TEA members attended the Eastern Division Mixer last week at the Velvet Lounge, Hard Rock Hotel, in Orlando. Big thanks to the event sponsors, VOA

Associates, Inc. The event was also sponsored by APEX Consulting Partners and LA Selva. Featured jazz tunes by Tommy Bridges Jazz Quartet, sponsored by Alcorn McBride. Joining the

regulars were many members of the International Board of Directors, in town for the annual strategic planning meeting. Great people, great time!



Starting at top left: Universal's **Mike Hightower** and Gallegos Lighting's **Pat Gallegos** (Imm. Past Pres. of TEA); Thinkwell

Design & Production's **Craig Hanna**, President of the TEA, with WDI's **Rick Rothschild** and TEA founder, **Monty Lunde** of Technifex; **Wendy Birket** stepped in to add vocals with the Tommy Bridges Quartet; GRG's **Dan Christman**, TEA Eastern Div. Bd. Mbr., and Int'l. Board Mbr. **Scott Mallwitz** of Cunningham Group; The Attraction Services Co.'s **Melissa Townsend**, Int'l. Board Mbr. with Apex Consulting's **Jeff Smith**, Eastern Div. Bd. Mbr.; Alcorn McBride's **Tom Gottschalk** and **Tommy Bridges** with TEA's **Raina Ross**; and **Tommy Bridges** and Eastern Div. Bd. Mbr. **Steve Birket** of Birket Engineering present **Monty Lunde** with the sweepstakes prize bottle of wine.



**Be sure to attend the next Eastern Div. Mixer - Feb. 12**



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## Riggers, Electricians - Want To Grow Your Competitive Edge? Hiring Riggers or Electricians and Want The Best?

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### **ETCP ANNOUNCES EXAM ADMINISTRATIONS AT USITT 2007**

The ETCP Council is pleased to announce the electrical, arena rigging, and theatre rigging examinations will be offered at the USITT Conference and Stage Expo on **March 17, 2007** in Phoenix, AZ. Those who pass these rigorous tests will become ETCP Certified - and will be recognized as the industry's best. Employers have already begun seeing the benefits of ETCP Certification in reduced insurance rates as well as attaining more work because their services are being performed by certified personnel.

If you would like to take the arena rigging, theatre rigging, or electrical examination at USITT, please submit your completed application, including all supporting documents and fee, postmarked on or before February 1, 2007.

As always, if you would like more information or would like eligibility requirements or applications sent to you, please contact Cathy Amos, ETCP Certification Coordinator, at [certification@esta.org](mailto:certification@esta.org) or 212-244-1505. Complete information is also available on the ETCP website: <http://etcp.esta.org>.

If you are unable to attend USITT, you can apply to take an examination at a testing center near you. The arena rigging and theatre rigging examinations are now offered at over 150 testing centers in the U.S. and Canada on most business days. The electrical exam will also be available at these centers beginning February 15, 2007. For these exams, information will be sent on how to schedule the examination after the candidate is accepted by ETCP.

The electrical certifications are designed for highly experienced electricians (including leads, supervisors, and managers of entertainment electrical work). The rigging certifications are designed for highly experienced riggers (rigging supervisors, high steel riggers, fly-persons, etc).

The ETCP Council members are key leaders drawn from entertainment business, labor, facilities, associations, and academia representing the diversity of the entertainment industry. Members include AMPTP, CITT, ESTA, IAAM, IATSE, InfoComm, The League, Live Nation, PRG, TEA, and USITT.



## RFPs

**Canada** Bison Interpretive Site Feasibility Plan - Seeking consultant for a bison interpretive site along highway 3 between Fort Providence and Yellowknife. **Deadline is Feb. 2.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for Canada bison interpretive.

**UK Liverpool** -museum exhibition design, manufacturing and installation. **Deadline is Feb. 5.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for UK Liverpool museum exhibition services.

**Colorado, Colorado Springs** - RFI, seeking to compile a catalog of artists interested in designing public art projects. **Deadline is Feb. 15.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for Colorado public art.

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**France Chamalieres** - theme park scenic fabrication. Indoor, outdoor, replicating types of volcanoes around the world; installation of a journey to the center of the earth ride, with pre-show, etc. Doc is in French. **Deadline is Feb. 19.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for France Chamalieres theme park.

**Montana Bozeman** - AV integration of university atrium renovation project. **Deadline is Feb. 21.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for Montana Bozeman AV integration.

**UK Bristol** - museum construction project management. **Deadline is Feb. 23.** email [Raina@TEAConnect.org](mailto:Raina@TEAConnect.org) and ask for UK Bristol museum construction.



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# Industry Calendar

**Euro Attractions Show**, Jan. 30 - Feb. 1, 2007, Seville, Spain. Info: [www.euroas.com](http://www.euroas.com)

**IAAPI's** (Indian Association of Amusement Parks & Industries) **7th Annual Trade Show**, Feb. 21-23, Mumbai. Info: [www.iaapi.org](http://www.iaapi.org)

**California Association of Museums Conference**, Feb. 21-24, Long Beach, CA.  
Info: [www.calmuseums.org](http://www.calmuseums.org)

**TEA Summit**, March 2-3, 2007, Grand Californian Hotel, Anaheim. See [www.teaconnect.org/theamain.htm](http://www.teaconnect.org/theamain.htm)

**13th Thea Awards**, March 3, 2007, Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim. See [www.teaconnect.org/theamain.htm](http://www.teaconnect.org/theamain.htm)

**Seatrade Cruise Shipping Convention**, March 12-15, Miami Beach. Info: [www.cruiseshipping.net](http://www.cruiseshipping.net)

**TILEZone**, March 13, 2007, London.

**USITT Conference & Stage Expo**, March 14-17, 2007, Phoenix, AZ. Info: [www.usitt.org](http://www.usitt.org)

**Global Gaming Institute**, April 10-12, New Orleans. [www.G2EInstitute.com](http://www.G2EInstitute.com)

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**DEAL 2007**, April 22-24, 2007. Dubai World Trade Center. Info: [www.themeparksdubai.com](http://www.themeparksdubai.com)

**GSCA 2007 Film Expo**, April 24-25. Los Angeles. Info: [tammyseldon@gianscreencinema.com](mailto:tammyseldon@gianscreencinema.com)

**“The Show” (hospitality) March 6-7, Las Vegas.** [www.nightclub.com](http://www.nightclub.com)

**NSCA Systems Integration Show**, Mar. 15-17, Orlando. Info: [www.nscaexpo.org](http://www.nscaexpo.org) See next page for details

**Museum & Heritage**, May 9-10, London. [www.museumsandheritage.com](http://www.museumsandheritage.com)

**EXPONATEC COLOGNE 2007**, Oct. 31 - Nov. 3. Cologne, Germany. Info: [www.exponatec.de](http://www.exponatec.de)

# NSCA Expo

Your Systems Integration Show.

Conference Dates: March 13-17, 2007

Exhibit Dates: March 15-17, 2007

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Orlando, Florida



NSCA Expo: The Right Show.

Four reasons not to miss the NSCA Expo March 15-17<sup>th</sup> in Orlando, Florida.

## 1. *Build the Right Network*

**Consultants' Reception** - Thursday, March 15, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Consultant's Lounge Exhibit Hall A. The Consultants' Lounge and Reception is ideally located just outside the main show entrance and provides a chance to meet architects, designers and consultants. This reception offers plenty of food and drink, and a unique networking opportunity. Reception is sponsored by AMX, Bose and FSR. Attendee badge is required to attend.

## 2. *Find the Right Products*

Find solutions to real-life electronic systems challenges within a themed entertainment environment. At the show, you can learn about the newest audio and video display products. NSCA pushes the boundaries of present day technologies to make your organization shine!

## 3. *Meet the Right Manufacturers*

Hit the following hot spots throughout the show:

**Hands-On Audio Demonstration Rooms** - Look, listen and feel your way into new business by visiting some of the Hands-on Demonstration Rooms featuring Bose Corporation and Harman Pro Group.

**Digital Signage Showcase** - This showcase demonstrates the end-to-end solution of creating a dynamic message to audiences. Entertainment projects large and small could thrive with the ever-changing digital signage technology.

**Intelligent Building Services Showcase** - This showcase focuses on buildings capable of interconnecting clients with audio, video, messaging, communications, and data...supporting e-business and facility services no matter where and when!

## 4. *Attending is FREE!*

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**NSCA107** to receive your free exhibitor hall pass.

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