



Feedback Collected from NAI National Conference Regional Meeting

1. What do we want from our region?

- a. Member list contact information to share resources and expertise, share best practices, and collaborate on programs
- b. Calendar of events (local)
- c. Map to locate different regions
- d. Infosheet about the region
- e. (Monthly) Social and professional networking opportunities, especially with members of the region
- f. Site and program visits within region
- g. Site visits with theme or goal
- h. Passport for sites
- i. Opportunities to visit other facilities & see programs/infrastructure
- j. Discussion on nurturing partnerships
- k. Preparation for the National Association for Interpretation Certification Training
- l. Discussion on role clarity (matching skills in areas to support)
- m. Skills-building, such as interp skills
- n. Mentorship program
- o. Regional board opportunities
- p. Development opportunities
- q. More effective communication
- r. To create a fun, interactive, and familial community
- s. To strengthen membership and presence of the region
- t. Utilize Sunny Southeast Region as a model for cultivating a team.

2. What can we offer our region?

- a. More correspondence on regional opportunities
- b. Interp roadshop write-up for newsletter
- c. "I could help with newsletter or scholarship committee"
- d. Social media posts
- e. Sites for meetings and gatherings
- f. Regional convenings and meetings, at OC Parks/Santiago Oaks Park
- g. Virtual field-trips



- h. Tour local sites, such as Orange County
- i. Meet-ups with members
- j. Support on regional workshop
- k. Wetlands Park host site for workshop
- l. Potential hosting ability in Las Vegas (i.e. Red Rock Canyon NCA, RRCNCA)
- m. CIT can teach CIG and CIH courses
- n. Need-based workshops
- o. Additional webinar learning opportunities
- p. Participating in sharing grant resources and sharing new knowledge
- q. Sharing info on programs in LV
- r. What is the purpose of the region as opposed to NAI as a whole?
- s. Welcoming environment to all, especially new-comer

3. What type of networking opportunities do we want our region to offer?

- a. Sharing resources such as curriculum and programs
- b. Post open job positions on website
- c. Resource “bank” to share ideas, best practices, questions, etc
- d. share stories, experiences, resources
- e. To meet new friends
- f. To meet and share experiences of sites
- g. Visits to other facilities
- h. Site hosted meetings
- i. Web-live meetings
- j. City get togethers
- k. It would be great to have site meet ups to learn more about members and their work
- l. More meet-ups with hands-on activities at different sites
- m. Local opportunities to meet up with region members
- n. Events hosted at other sites
- o. Opportunities to meet and have conversations
- p. Mini-regional location based meet ups
- q. Site visits to learn about site/program/opportunities
- r. Group outings
- s. drink/eat + chat



- t. More frequent meet-ups/opportunities to gather + discuss topics, network
- u. Career development webinar
- v. Tips and tricks for getting funding for conferences
- w. Remote training using Skype or other technology
- x. Day trainings at other locations
- y. Lectures videotaped/streamed when applicable
- z. Program specific lectures such as volunteer management, retainment and engagement, and enrichment
- aa. Webinars on various interpretive practices
- bb. Professional development opportunities
- cc. Mentorship program
- dd. Book club
- ee. Create “private” Facebook page to connect with members to have open discussion if need help/support, foster learning and social meet-ups, post what worked (tips & tricks)
- ff. Site specific social groups (state parks, preserves, city parks, museums)
- gg. Establish more local regional centers to coordinate events and classes
- hh. Hikes/tours