

Dear AUSA Exhibitors:

Welcome to the 2018 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition, A Professional Development Forum. This is the 64th Annual Meeting and AUSA will once again occupy the entire convention center with displays located on both levels in Exhibit Halls A, B, C, D & E.

The Marriott Marguis will serve as the Annual Meeting headquarters hotel. This property features 1175 rooms and 49 suites and is located across the street from the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. It is connected to the Center by an underground walkway.

This year's event will provide numerous opportunities for professional development with three full days of educational programming and the 600+ displays in the exhibit halls.

The exhibit halls will close at 1700 on Wednesday, 10 October. Tickets for the George Catlett Marshall Reception and Dinner can be purchased on the Annual Meeting website starting 4 June 2018. The cost is 125.00 for AUSA members and \$150.00 for non-members. Tables may also be purchased and provide 10 seats, which may be donated back to AUSA to seat VIP guests. The cost for a table are \$1,250.00 for AUSA members, and \$1,500.00 for non-members. Tickets will also be available for sale on-site at the Ticket Pick-Up Registration Desk at the Walter E. Convention Center. To purchase tickets to our events, please visit:

http://ausameetings.org/2018annualmeeting/registration-information/

As you plan for your participation at this year's Annual Meeting, please pay attention to the rules and regulations regarding the display of firearms at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center that are detailed in the Exhibitor Services Manual. Also, make sure that as you prepare your booth layout, you understand the rules and restrictions based on your booth classification. We urge you to communicate with Blobal Experience Specialists (GES), our official General Service Contractor, and your neighbors well in advance of your scheduled build time. Contact information for Annual Meeting exhibitors can be found on the online floor plan located here: https://www.expocadweb.com/18ausa/ec/forms/attendee/index5.aspx#fpPanel

This Exhibitor Services Manual contains guidance on the procedures for displaying vehicles. GES will be tasked with the responsibility of handling a tremendous amount of freight for the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to follow all instructions regarding the move-in and move-out of your vehicles. Should you have questions regarding the Rules and Regulations, please contact GES directly at 800.803.2375.

We look forward to welcoming you to Washington, DC in October. Thank you for your continued support of the AUSA and the men and women of the U.S. Army.

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