

# Celebrating 30 Years Annual Conference & Trade Show



June 8-10, 2022

Embassy Suites Lake Buena Vista South Orlando



## Special Message from the 2022 Annual Conference Planning Committee

Dear Prospective Exhibitors,

The IFDF Annual Conference Planning Committee and the IFDF Board invite you the 2022 IFDF Annual Conference and Tradeshow at the Embassy Suites, Lake Buena Vista South in Orlando, June 8-10, 2022. We're planning for a insightful, productive conference mingling with your target market; funeral directors and cemeterians with purchasing power!

We begin our week on Wednesday, June 8th, with our annual golf tournament fundraiser benefitting the IFDF Political Action Committee at the beautiful Celebration Golf Club. We encourage you to register, play and invite some of your favorite customers to join your team! It's a great way to start off the week. Sponsorship opportunities are available.

Later that afternoon, the conference kicks off with the President's Welcome Reception inside of the Exhibit Hall. You will have all Wednesday afternoon to set up your booth so you can take advantage of meeting and reconnecting with our members and guests at the reception. Afterwards, you are expected to attend the Welcome Reception where you will be entertained by the Orange Blossom Opry and enjoy a fabulous dinner buffet with your clients.

The conference kicks off the next morning with opening ceremonies and keynote speaker. During this time, you are welcome to continue setting up. However, for lunch, we invite you to join with attendees for the annual Awards Luncheon. After which, the trade show hall will open for a full afternoon of exhibition. Day one culminates with our annual auction fundraiser benefiting the IFDF scholarship Foundation and an outing to the Orlando Top Golf. *All exhibitors are encouraged to donate one item to our auction.* We sincerely hope you will join funeral directors at Top Golf as it is sure to be a evening of fun friendly competition and mingling with potential business.

The exhibit hall will be opened for FREE, on Friday from 10:00 am—3:00 pm. Upon receipt of your paid exhibitor registration, we will provide invitations to your field team to distribute to their guests which will entitle them to register for free entry to the Friday Trade Show.

Attendees will have the chance to earn up to 11 CE credits this year, two of which they can earn just by attending the trade show! We have an excellent line up of presenters this year. Top-rated industry leaders will present on topics such as the body broker industry, embalming trends and techniques, green burial, workplace safely, the for-profit takeover of Hospice Care, succession planning (and much more).

We invite you to view the full schedule of events, available on pages 3 & 4 and we look forward to seeing you there! Please reach out to Heather Bernier if you have any questions at 850.222.0198 or <a href="mailto:hbernier@ifdf.org">hbernier@ifdf.org</a>.

## **Annual Conference Planning Committee**

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# **AGENDA**

## WEDNESDAY, June 8, 2022

7:30 am —8:30 am	Golf Registration/Breakfast	Celebration Golf Club
8:00 am—12:00 pm	Golf Outing	Celebration Golf Club
12:30 pm—1:30 pm	Golf Lunch	Celebration Club House
12:00 pm—5:00 pm	Attendee & Exhibitor Registration/Set-Up	West Registration Desk
2:00 pm—3:00 pm	(1-hr CE Course)	Magnolia
3:15 pm—4:15 pm	(1-hr CE Course)	Magnolia
4:30 pm—5:30 pm	(1-hr CE Course)	Magnolia
6:00 pm—7:00 pm	Opening Reception with Exhibitors	Palms Ballroom
7:00 pm—until	Orange Blossom Opry & Dinner Buffet	Palms Ballroom
9:00 pm—until	Hospitality Suite hosted by Matthews Aurora	TBD

#### THURSDAY, June 9, 2022

8:00 am—5:00 pm	Registration Open	West Registration Desk
7:00 am—8:30 am	Breakfast—free in hotel atrium	Hotel Atrium
8:30 am—9:30 am	Welcome/Opening Ceremonies	Magnolia
9:30 am—10:30 am	Opening Keynote (1-hour CE Course)	Magnolia
9:00 am—12:00 pm	Exhibitor Set-Up	Palms Ballroom
10:45 am – 11:45 am	(1-hour CE)	Magnolia
12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Awards Luncheon/Installation of Officers	Magnolia
2:00 pm—5:30 pm	Exhibit Hall Open (2-hour CE)	Palms Ballroom
3:30 pm — 4:30 pm	(1-hr CE)	Magnolia
5:30 pm—6:30 pm	Foundation Auction Fundraiser	Palms Ballroom
6:30 pm—7:00 pm	Shuttle to Top Golf	Hotel Lobby
7:00 pm—10:00 pm	Top Golf Outing	Top Golf
9:00 pm—until	Hospitality Suite hosted by Matthews Aurora	TBD

# **AGENDA CONTINUED**

#### **FRIDAY, June 10, 2022**

8:00 am—3:00 pm	Registration Open	West Registration Desk

7:00 am—8:30 am Breakfast—free in hotel atrium Hotel Atrium 8:30 am—10:00 am Celebration of Life Ceremony Magnolia

10:00 am—3:00 pm Exhibit Hall Open (2-hour CE Credit) Palms Ballroom

10:30 am—11:30 am (1-hour CE Course) Magnolia

12:15 pm—2:00 pm Buffet Lunch & Vendor Drawings Palms Ballroom

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm (2-hour CE Course) Magnolia

5:00 pm Depart for Disney Springs Lobby

5:30 pm—until Disney Springs Outing (dinner on your own)

#### SATURDAY, June 11, 2022

7:30 am—9:00 am Breakfast—*free in hotel atrium* Hotel Atrium
9:00 am—11:00 am IFDF Board of Directors Meeting Cypress 1

11:00 am Checkout time

#### A NOTE TO EXHIBITORS:

SALES ARE A RESULT OF PERSONAL CONTACT. EVERY EXHIBITOR SHOULD COME TO ALL SOCIAL EVENTS INCLUDING:

- ANNUAL FUNDRAISER GOLF TOURNAMENT
- PRESIDENT'S WELCOME RECEPTION
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER & ORANGE BLOSSOM OPRY
- THURSDAY AWARDS LUNCHEON
- THURSDAY TOP GOLF OUTING
- THURSDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY SUITE
- FRIDAY CELEBRATION OF LIFE
- FRIDAY LUNCH BUFFET
- FRIDAY OUTING TO DISNEY SPRINGS (IF STILL IN TOWN AT THAT TIME)
- FRIDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY SUITE (IF STILL IN TOWN AT THAT TIME)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Agenda is subject to change without notice.



The Supplier Tradeshow is the highlight of the IFDF Conference. Exhibition opportunities provide you with two days of exposure to your target audience of independent funeral home decision makers. We will also provide you with invitations to share with your customers to attend the Friday exhibits from 10am to 4pm for FREE! Attendees are also driven to participate both days through prizes and giveaways. We ask each company to please bring a door prize to be given out during the trade show and an item for our Annual Scholarship Foundation Auction. All booths will be the same size (8' x 10') and all will be sold at the same price for non-members. IFDF Affiliate members will receive a discount. Premium spaces are reserved for top event sponsors. Spaces selections are first come first served, so act fast! If you are interested in inquiring about becoming an Affiliate member, please reach out to <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/nd.1007

As an exhibitor, your marketing efforts, level of involvement and follow up will increase your return on investment. We have configured the conference schedule to maximize Exhibitor exposure and face time with attendees. So that vendors can share time with attendees in a more casual atmosphere, *all meals are included in the price of your registration*. You are encouraged to participate in the Wednesday night Welcome Reception and dinner buffet, the Thursday's Awards Luncheon and Friday's lunch buffet. (Tickets to Top Golf are separate.) Breakfast is complimentary at the hotel so take advantage of that time and invite your clients to breakfast!

#### **Trade Show Booth**

#### \$1,200 for Affiliate Members

#### \$1,350 for Non-Member Affiliates

8x10 piped-and-draped booth space includes skirted table, two (2) chairs, signage and two (2) representatives with access to all meals and events on Wednesday and Thursday, the Friday morning Celebration of Life. Refer to the Exhibit Hall Floor Plan for details. Space is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis, and only available until sold out.

#### **Vehicle Booth Space**

#### \$1,200.00 for Affiliate Members

#### \$1,350 for Non-Member Affiliates

Space includes one exhibit booth area with one (1) table (optional), two (2) chairs, signage and two (2) representatives with access to all events on Wednesday and Thursday, the Friday morning Celebration of Life and Friday Exhibits. \*Note: Vehicle booths are limited and locations are non-negotiable. Booths 500, 502, 506 & 508 are for vehicle vendors.

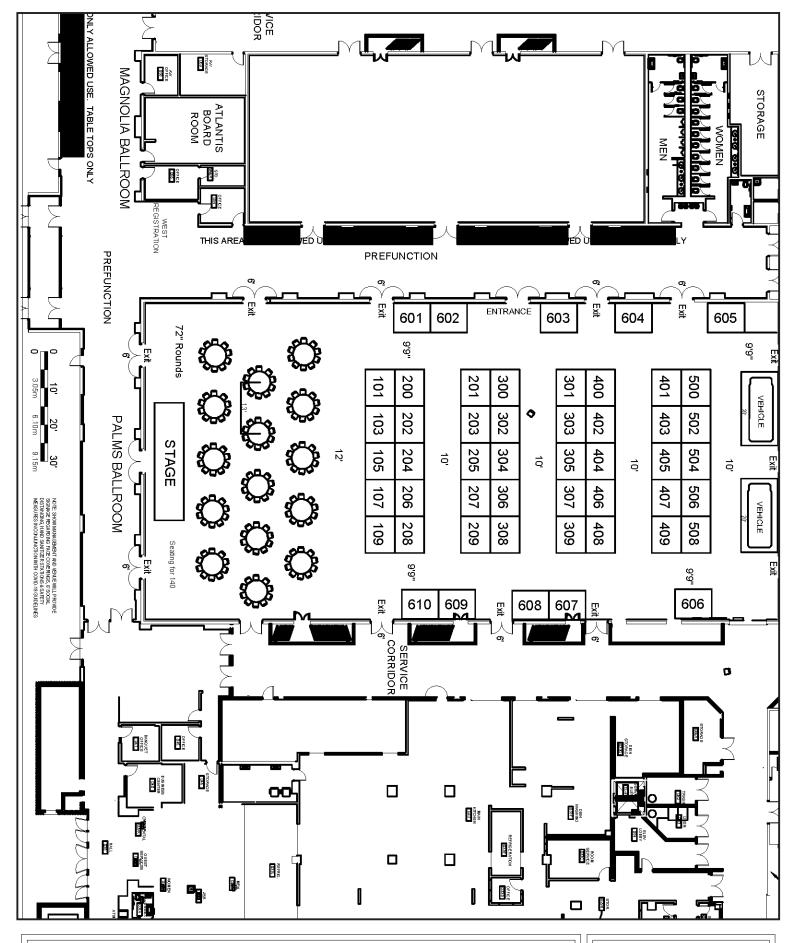
## **Exhibit Set up & Tear Down:**

Wednesday: 12:00 pm—5:00 pm Thursday: 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Tear Down Friday: 3:00 pm-5:00 pm

#### **Exhibit Hall Hours:**

Thursday: 2:00—5:30 pm Friday: 10:00 am—3:00 pm



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# IFDF Exhibitor Registration 2022 Annual Conference & Trade Show

Booth Type/Quantity:_	\$1,200 Affiliate Member	\$1,350 Non-Mem	\$1,350 Non-Member Affiliate		
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Billing Contact/Exhibit	Contact				
Billing Contact's Email	& Phone Number				
Billing Address, City, S	tate, Zip				
Booth Representative 1	Name and Email	Meal Preference (Circle One):	Vegetarian / Non-Vegetarian		
Booth Representative 2	Name and Email	Meal Preference (Circle One):	Vegetarian / Non-Vegetarian		
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Service/Product:					
Trade Show Decorator	Contacts:				
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Connect with Florida's Independent Funeral Directors and let your brand shine when you participate in the IFDF Annual Conference as a sponsor. Becoming a Conference sponsor means you will establish new connections and maximize your reach. We have multiple sponsorship opportunities to meet any budget to help you reach your target audience.

## **Tiered Sponsorships**

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Conference Title Sponsor -	\$15,000 (1)				
• Five (5) Full Conference attendee r Bag Insert for Attendee Totes; Plus all I			; Premium listing	in the onsite Conference program,	,
Platinum Sponsor \$5,000					
• Three (3) Full Conference attendee Bag Insert for Attendee Totes; Plus all			nt; Premium listir	g in the onsite Conference program	n;
Gold Sponsor - \$2,500					
• Two (2) Full Conference attendee a Plus all Bronze Sponsor benefits	registrations; Super	ior booth placemen	t; Premium listing	in the onsite Conference program	;
Silver Sponsor - \$1,000					
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Bronze Sponsor - \$500					
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Sponsor a Student \$250					
<ul> <li>Copy of Conference attendee list; I year.</li> <li>Names for Sponsor Registrations:</li> </ul>					
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Top Golf Sponsor - \$8,500 (	(1): Exclusive signa	ge and recognition	at the Friday mor	ning Memorial Service.	
Plus all Platinum Sponsor ber	nefits.				
Welcome Reception Sponso	or - \$3,000 (1) Excl	usive signage and r	ecognition at the	FDF Opening Reception,	
and the opportunity to provide	de a brief welcome	to attendees. Plus a	ll Gold Sponsor b	enefits.	
Awards Luncheon Sponsor	: - \$5000 (2): Exclu	sive Signage and re	ecognition at the I	Luncheon for one day, plus all	
Platinum Sponsor Benefits.					
Insulated Tumblers - \$2,50	<b>0 (1):</b> Logo on tum	blers distributed to	all attendees.		
Name Badge Lanyards - \$	<b>1,500 (1):</b> Logo or	name badge lanya	rds distributed to	all attendees.	
A La Carte Tickets: Wednesday Golf Outing	Quantity	<b>By April 30</b> \$125	<b>By May 30</b> \$125	After May 30 \$175	
Wednesday President's Reception		\$75	\$75	\$100	
Thursday Awards Lunch		\$60	\$60	\$75	
Thursday Tradeshow Only		\$50	\$50	\$50	
Thursday Outing to Top Golf		\$65	\$85	\$95	

<sup>\*\*</sup>includes 2 drink tickets, dinner & 2 hours of unlimited play

#### **Annual PAC Fundraiser Golf Tournament**

The 2022 IFDF Annual Conference & Tradeshow will kick off with a golf tournament for Conference attendees, suppliers and friends. For suppliers, this is an opportunity for one-on-one networking with your current and potential customers in a casual and friendly setting. It is also a great opportunity to show your support of IFDF and become a golf sponsor to receive additional publicity. Enjoy team playing and on-course competition.

Opened in 1996, Celebration Golf Club is the final collaboration between Robert Trent Jones Senior and Junior. From the onset, their belief was that "every hole should be a hard par and an easy bogey." Using their joint design strategies and the natural lay of the land, they crafted an upscale daily-fee golf resort that takes full advantage of the natural pine forests and Florida wetlands.

This year, the goal is to have 40 golfers! All proceeds to toward potential activities including Legislative Days at the capitol building in Tallahassee where we serve 2000 sausage dogs lunches to legislators, staff and capitol visitors.

June 8	<u>@</u> \$125 Golf Tournament Player Includes greens fees, cart and boxed lunch.
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	Drink Cart Sponsorship - \$2,000 (1 available)
	Tournament Boxed Lunches Sponsorship - \$750 (1 available)
	Hole In One Sponsorship - \$500 (1 available)
	Closest to the Pin Sponsorship - \$250 (1 available)
	Longest Drive Sponsorship - \$250 (1 available)
	Prize Trophies Sponsorship - \$500 Given to 1st and 2nd Place foursomes (1 available)
	Hole Sponsor - \$50 (18 available)
	<b>Sponsor a Team - \$500</b> May provide them with a branded golf shirt, team name, etc. The team may be non-IFDF members.

# **Exhibitor Registration & Payment Information**

<b>Exhibit Space</b>	\$		<u> </u>		
Additional Representatives	<b>\$</b>		<u> </u>		
Conference Sponsorship	<b>\$</b>		_		
Additional Event Tickets	\$		<u> </u>		
<b>Golf Tournament Tickets</b>	\$		_		
Golf Sponsorship	\$		_		
TOTAL Amount Enclosed/Auth	orized \$		_		
Method of payment:					
Check for total amount (paya	able to IFDF) _	Visa	Mastercard	Discover	AmEx
Name as it appears on card					
Card Number			CVV Code	Exp. Date	
Billing address with zip code					
Authorized Signature					
Email address for receipt					
IFDF OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Red	ceived:	Date Ent	ered	CC Approval	

Cancellation and Refund Policy: Substitutions are accepted at any time without additional charge. Email your substitution request to hbernier@ifdf.org. If a substitute is not available, the following refund policy applies:

- For Additional Event Tickets: Full refund if cancelled in writing to hbernier@ifdf.org by May 30, 2022.
- **Booth Spaces:** In order to reserve an Exhibit Booth, it must be paid in full 30 days prior to event. Booths not paid by May 9 are subject to resale. Cancellations in writing prior to May 9 will incur a \$100 cancellation fee. Fees cannot be refunded for registrations cancelled after May 9 or for no-shows.

Sponsorship payment and hi-resolution logo/artwork must be submitted 30 days prior to event to hbernier@ifdf.org.

By registering for the 2022 IFDF Annual Conference, I hereby grant permission to use any and all photographic imagery and video footage taken of me at this event and activities pertaining to this event, without payment or any other consideration. I understand that such materials may be published electronically or in print, or used in presentations or exhibitions.

Return completed Exhibit Space Letter of Agreement & Payment to:

IFDF, P.O. Box 10969, Tallahassee, FL 32302-2969 | Or Fax to IFDF at 850-222-7168 | Email to hbernier@ifdf.org

Once your registration and payment are received, you will be contacted by Alliance Nationwide Exhibition to complete your exhibitor profile.

# **Embassy Suites Lake Buena Vista South**

This year's conference hotel is conveniently located in the heart of Florida just 5 miles east of I-4. The IFDF is returning to this location after one successful conference at this location some 10 years back.

The location allows us to really hone in on the substance of the conference and trade show as it is separate enough from all of the Orlando attactions not to distract our attendees from why we are gathering together. Yet, it is close enough for a quick shuttle over to all the fun Orlando has to offer.



The convention center is state-of-the-art. In partnership with Alliance Exhibition, this year's trade show is on track to be the biggest in the history of the IFDF.

To reserve your accommodations in the IFDF's discounted room block at The Embassy Suites Lake Buena Vista South go to the IFDF website at <a href="https://www.IFDF.org">www.IFDF.org</a>.

The deadline for the discounted room rate of \$149 plus tax is 5:00 pm EDT on Monday, May 17, 2022.

### **Hotel Information:**

GPS address: 4955 Kyngs Heath Road, Kissimmee, FL 34746

Hotel Phone: 407.597.4000