



WAI2026

Schedule At A Glance

(as of January 15, 2026)

Wednesday, March 18

(Pre-Conference Activities)

10 a.m.-5 p.m.	Exhibitor Set-Up
TOURS:	
8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	American Airlines Tour
11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.	CAE Tour
1-5 p.m.	Ft. Worth Stockyards & Line Dancing Tour
3-8 p.m.	Southwest Airlines Tours (3 options) <i>Additional fee may apply; registration required</i>
noon-5:30 p.m.	Registration Open
noon-6 p.m.	WAI Store Open
1-5 p.m.	Chapter Leadership Workshop
1-5 p.m.	Professional Development Seminars - PD 1: Destroy Your Imposter Syndrome - PD 2: Overcoming Underearning: Elevate Your Worth, Expand Your Career <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
5-6:30 p.m.	1st Timer Conference Attendee Event
5-6:30 p.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
6:30-7:30 p.m.	Chapter Connect Reception <i>Invitation only</i> <i>(Sponsored by Cirrus)</i>
7:30-10 p.m.	Jazz with Wings Hangar Dance <i>(Sponsored by Wings Credit Union)</i>

Thursday, March 19

7 a.m.-5 p.m.	Registration Open
7 a.m.-7 p.m.	WAI Store Open
7-7:45 a.m.	Mind. Body. Spirit. Courses: - Yoga - Sound Bath and Mindfulness <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
7:30-8:30 a.m.	New Members Breakfast <i>Members who joined April 2025 or after</i>
7:30-8.45 a.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
9-10 a.m.	Opening General Session and Membership Meeting <i>Lynda Coffman and Nicole Malachowski</i> <i>(Sponsored by United)</i>
10-11 a.m.	Exhibit Hall Preview Hour
10 a.m.-4 p.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Authors Connect Open <i>(Sponsored by United)</i>
11 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
11 a.m.-noon	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Networking 101 for Students <i>Presented by American Airlines</i>
12-1:30 p.m.	Break (Exhibit Hall Open)
12:30-1:15 p.m.	Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Self-Defense <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
1-2:30 p.m.	Plan & Host an Outstanding GIAD Event
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
1:30-3:00 p.m.	Speed Mentoring Session <i>Registration required</i>
3-4 p.m.	Educating the Future Workforce in Aerospace
3-4 p.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings

Thursday, March 19 (continued)

4:30-5:30 p.m.	Opening Night Reception
5:30-6:30 p.m.	International Members Reception <i>International Members only</i>
5:30 p.m.	Aviation Networking Night
Friday, March 20	
7 a.m.-4 p.m.	Registration Open
7-7:45 a.m.	Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Self-Defense <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
7 a.m.-6 p.m.	WAI Store Open
7:15-8:45 a.m.	Authors Connect: Meet the Authors <i>(Sponsored by United)</i>
7:30-8:45 a.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
8 a.m.-4 p.m.	Authors Connect Open <i>(Sponsored by United)</i>
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
9-10 a.m.	Morning General Session <i>Alex Marren and The Honorable Jennifer Homendy</i> <i>(Sponsored by Amazon)</i>
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
10:30-noon	How to Start a WAI Chapter
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Break (Exhibit Hall Open)
noon-12:45 p.m.	Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: - Sound Bath and Mindfulness <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
1-2 p.m.	General Session: Scholarship Celebration
2:30-3:30 p.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
2:30-4 p.m.	Student & Collegiate Chapter Leadership Workshop
2:30-5:30 p.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
4-5 p.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
6:30-8:30 p.m.	Pioneer Hall of Fame Ceremony & Celebration Dinner <i>Additional fee; registration required</i> <i>(Sponsored by American Airlines)</i>
8:30-10:30 p.m.	WAI After Party & Dancing

Saturday, March 21 / Girls in Aviation Day Dallas

7-10:30 a.m.	Registration Open
7-7:45 a.m.	Mind. Body. Spirit. Course: Zumba <i>Additional fee; registration required</i>
7:30-10:30 a.m.	Braindate Lounge Open
8-9:30 a.m.	Coffee & Conversation in the Exhibit Hall
8-10:30 a.m.	Authors Connect Open <i>(Sponsored by United)</i>
8-10:30 a.m.	Exhibit Hall Open
8 a.m.-noon	WAI Store Open
8 a.m.-3 p.m.	Girls in Aviation Day Dallas <i>Separate registration required</i>
9-10 a.m.	Education Sessions & Industry Briefings
10:30-11:45 a.m.	Closing General Session <i>Stephanie Chung</i> <i>(Sponsored by Delta)</i>
10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.	Exhibitor Tear Down