

National Conference on Contemporary Cast Iron Art & Practices Call for Guest Furnaces

Sloss Furnaces National Historic Landmark Birmingham, Alabama April 2nd-5th, 2025

The National Conference on Contemporary Cast Iron Art and Practices (NCCCIAP) will once again be on the Sloss grounds in 2025! As always, we look forward to welcoming and reuniting with you all! This upcoming conference theme is *Skimming the Surface*.

The Steering Committee invites all artists, professionals, and groups to operate their furnaces during the conference. There are two opportunities for guest furnaces - as a production furnace for the conference, or as a guest furnace bringing and pouring your own molds. It is highly educational and essential to have furnaces of different types running at the conference. We encourage participants to seek sponsorships from local businesses, donors, or grant opportunities.

CALL FOR GUEST FURNACES

Please read through the following requirements before submitting an application:

- All guest furnaces should be self-sufficient. BYO ladles (and maybe a spare), torch, tools, mud, mojo, awesome crew, functional safety equipment, and anything you may require to succeed.
- Sloss will provide 110V electricity, propane, and a forklift with an operator.
- Production furnaces must have a minimum 16" ID
- All styles of furnaces are accepted and encouraged! Including but not limited to: cupola, cupolette, continuous, intermittent, waste oil, or alternative
- You are welcome to BYO iron. Iron provided by Sloss is subject to charge as follows: Weight x \$0.50/lb you pay for the iron you take home. De-spruing is encouraged.
 - Furnace crews may elect to bring their supplies rather than purchase from Sloss.

SUBMISSIONS DUE: October 31, 2024

Notification of acceptance by Nov. 25, 2024

Submit proposals with a current resume/CV via the Google Form, or to nccciap@gmail.com

2025 NCCCIAP

OPEN CALL FOR GUEST FURNACES

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN BY October 31st 2024 (or via the google form online)				
School / Unive	rsity, Group, Indiv	ridual		
Address				
Primary Conta	ct Name			
Phone		Email		
Furnace Name				
Furnace Type	(circle one)	cupola	cupolette	other (describe)
Tap Style	(circle one)	continuous	intermittent	
Interior diame	ter of furnace			
Tap Size (in pounds)				
Approximate number of pours with furnace				
Any additional				
Estimated run	time			
Estimated iron	needed		-	
Will you be a P	roduction Furnac	ce? Yes	/ No	

Production Furnaces should be no smaller than 16" ID.

Production Furnaces are our go-to for schools/groups who have molds but no furnace, pouring molds for Sloss (such as gift shop items and special projects) and scratch blocks made by our local spectators. This is an excellent opportunity if your furnace can run a little longer than you'll need – and is also a great networking and marketing tool for your school or program.

Furnace design drawings and other educational materials will be requested.

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