

DAVI / AECT Conventions & Presidents

Convention Year, month, and place	President at start of convention
1923, NEA, June-July Oakland-San Francisco	Harry B. Wilson appointed during convention
1924, NEA/DVI, June-July Washington DC DVI held a separate program of activities at the NEA summer convention from 1924 onward.	Ernest L. Crandall
1925, NEA/DVI , June-July Indianapolis	Ernest L. Crandall
1926, NEA/DVI , June-July Philadelphia	Ernest L. Crandall
1927, NEA/DVI, July Seattle	Anna V. Dorris
1928, NEA/DVI , July Minneapolis	Anna V. Dorris
1929, NEA/DVI , June-July Atlanta	John A. Hollinger
1930, NEA/DVI , June-July Columbus, OH	W.W. Whittinghill President Hollinger could not attend; VP McClusky and Sec-Treas. Whittinghill managed business; A.G. Balcom presided.
1931, NEA/DVI , June-July Los Angeles	W.W. Whittinghill President Whittinghill could not attend; VP Roach presided.
1932, NEA/DVI , June-July Atlantic City	Charles F. Hoban, Sr. Hoban was elected 1 st president of the merged DVI and NAVI
1933, NEA/DVI , July Chicago	Grace Fisher Ramsey
1934, NEA/DVI , June-July Washington DC	Wilbur Emmert
1935, NEA/DVI , June-July	Nelson L. Greene

Denver	
1936, NEA/DVI, June-July Portland, OR	Nelson L. Greene
1937, NEA/DVI, June-July Detroit	<i>Rupert Peters, elected at 1937 conv., resigned because of illness</i> Edgar Dale, succeeded Peters, having been elected 1 st VP
1938, NEA/DVI, June New York	Rita Hochheimer
1939, NEA/DVI, July San Francisco	John E. Hansen
1940, NEA/DVI, June-July Milwaukee	Paul C. Reed
1941, NEA/DVI, June-July Boston	W. Gayle Starnes
1942, NEA/DVI, June-July Denver	Camilla Best Due to wartime exigency, Mrs. Best served as president from 1942 until the election of 1944.
1943, June Indianapolis NEA Representative Assembly only no DVI convention	Camilla Best
1944, July Pittsburgh NEA Representative Assembly only no DVI convention	Camilla Best
1945, July Chicago NEA Board of Directors no DVI convention	Boyd B. Rakestraw
1946, July Buffalo, NY NEA Representative Assembly only	Walter A. Wittich
1947, March Atlantic City (w. AASA) And July 7, Cincinnati (w. NEA) NEA limitations held DVI summer conference to one day	Stephen M. Corey Resigned before end of term, so VP McClusky stepped in
1948, February Atlantic City (w. AASA) And July 5, Cleveland (w. NEA) NEA limitations held DVI summer	F. Dean McClusky

conference to one day	
1949, 3 regional conventions held in Feb. and March 1949, July 4, Boston NEA limitations held DVI summer conference to one day	Francis W. Noel
1950, February, Atlantic City (w. AASA) and July 3-7, St Louis (w. NEA)	Francis W. Noel
1951, February, Atlantic City (w. AASA) And July 2, San Francisco (w. NEA)	James W. Brown (Took a one-year leave of absence, 1951-1952, from U. of Washington and DAVI presidency to serve as Information Specialist for the Marshall Plan in Paris)
1952, February Boston 1 st convention to depart from NEA pattern; met with NAVA & EFLA	James W. Brown Paul W. F. Witt, acting president 1951-52 during Brown's leave of absence; elected president in 1953
1953, Feb., DAVI St. Louis w. 41 exhibitors 1 st to incorporate commercial exhibits	Paul W. F. Witt Lee W. Cochran elected as VP, served as acting president during the latter part of Witt's term
1954, March, DAVI Chicago w. 61 exhibitors	Lee W. Cochran presided at all meetings
1955, April, DAVI Los Angeles w. 63 exhibitors	Lee W. Cochran presided over all meetings
1956, March, DAVI Detroit w. 54 exhibitors	Walter A. Wittich As President, presided over all meetings
1957, March, DAVI Washington DC w. 85 exhibitors	L. C. Larson As President, presided over all meetings
1958, April, DAVI Minneapolis w. 68 exhibitors	Robert E. deKieffer As Pres., presided at all meetings
1959, April, DAVI	Charles F. Schuller

Seattle w. 69 exhibitors	As Pres., presided at all meetings. New officers installed at last business meeting.
1960, March, DAVI Cincinnati w. 112 exhibitors	Walter S. Bell As Pres., presided over all meetings. New officers installed at last business meeting.
1961, April, DAVI Miami Beach w. 141 exhibitors	James D. Finn As Pres., presided over all meetings. New officers installed 4 th Gen Session on last day
1962, March, DAVI Kansas City w. 133 exhibitors	Ernest Tiemann As Pres., presided over all meetings. New officers installed at last business meeting.
1963, April, DAVI Denver w. 157 exhibitors	Clyde K. Miller As Pres., presided over all meetings. New officers installed at 4 th general session.
1964, April; DAVI Rochester w. 190 exhibitors	William H. Allen As Pres, presided over all meetings. New officers installed at 4 th general session.
1965, April; DAVI Milwaukee w. 210 exhibitors	Mendel Sherman As Pres, presided over all meetings. New officers installed at 3 th general session.
1966, April; DAVI San Diego w. 240 exhibitors	Donald P. Ely New officers installed at 5 th gen. session.
1967, April; Atlantic City w. 265 exhibitors	Kenneth Norberg New officers installed at 4 th gen. session.
1968, March, Houston w. 302 exhibitors	Wesley C. Meierhenry New officers installed at 6 th gen. session.
1969, April, Portland OR w. 306 exhibitors	John P. Vergis New officers installed at 6 th gen. session.
1970, April, Detroit w. 340 exhibitors	Lee E. Campion New Board convenes with incoming Pres. on 3 rd day.
1971, March, AECT Philadelphia w. 298 exhibitors	Robert C. Gerletti New Pres. speaks as panelist at 3 rd gen session (televised)
1972, April, AECT Minneap. w. 301 exhibitors	Robert Heinich Presided at Board meetings. Kemp as “Pres-elect” presided over last Board meeting.
1973, April, AECT Las Vegas w. 308 exhibitors	Jerrold E. Kemp As Pres., presided over Board meetings. Jarecke as Pres-elect spoke at 2 nd gen session, the last day.
1974, March, AECT Atlantic City w. 243 exhibitors	Robert Jarecke New President speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1975, March, AECT	Gerald M. Torkelson

Dallas w. 266 exhibitors	New President speaks at 3 nd Gen. Session
1976, March, Anaheim w. 280 exhibitors	Harold E. Hill New President speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1977, April, Miami Beach w. 294 exhibitors	Richard Gilkey New President speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1978, April, Kansas City w. 252 exhibitors	William F. Grady New President speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1979, March, New Orleans w. 240 exhibitors	Marie McMahan New President speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1980, April, Denver w. 180 exhibitors	Carolyn Skidmore New President, (“whose term begins at the end of the convention”) speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1981, April, Philadelphia w. 180 exhibitors	Wes McJulien New President, (“whose term begins at the end of the convention”) speaks at 2 nd Gen. Session
1982, May, Dallas w. 215 exhibitors	Rolland Billings Presided at Board meetings; at 2 nd Gen Sess on Tue, both he and new Pres, EM, listed as “presiding”
1983, Jan. , New Orleans with COMMTEX (NAVA) w. 318 exhibitors	Elwood E. Miller Presided from beginning to end, incl. Board meet’s afterward; no new Pres. mentioned.
1984, Jan., Dallas with COMMTEX w. 337 exhibitors	Paul Welliver Presided at opening Board meetings <u>and</u> at closing Board meeting..
1985, Jan., Anaheim with COMMTEX (ICIA) w. 363 exhibitors	Francis M. Dwyer Presided at opening Board meetings. Installation of new officers not visible in program.
1986, Jan., Las Vegas with COMMTEX (ICIA) w. 350 exhibitors	Robert G. Hale Presided at opening Board meetings; installation of new officers not visible in program.
1987, Feb., Atlanta with COMMTEX (ICIA) w. 336 exhibitors	Robert G. Hale Presided at opening Board meeting; he “handed over gavel” at 2 nd Gen Sess.
1988, Jan., New Orleans with COMMTEX (ICIA)	Elaine K. Didier Presided at opening Board meeting; she “handed over gavel”

w. 293 exhibitors	at 2 nd Gen Sess.
1989, Feb., Dallas with INFOCOMM (ICIA) w. 288 exhibitors	Don C. Smellie Presided at opening Board meeting; he “handed over gavel” at 2 nd Gen Sess.
1990, Feb., Anaheim with INFOCOMM (ICIA) w. 287 exhibitors	Robert E Holloway He chaired 2 nd Gen Session, Ainsley chaired 3 rd ; no visible handoff
1991, Feb., Orlando with INFOCOMM (ICIA) w. 336 exhibitors	Lucy Ainsley She presided at beginning, Tipling chaired final Board meet.; no visible handoff
1992, Feb., Wash DC with INFOCOMM w. 350 exhibitors	Roger Tipling
1993, Jan., New Orleans with INFOCOMM	Larry Kitchens
1994, Feb., Nashville with InCITE Exposition w. 108 exhibitors	Addie Kinsinger “Gavel passed” at Business Meeting on 2 nd day
1995, Feb., Anaheim with InCITE Exposition w. 122 exhibitors	Kent Gustafson “Gavel passed” at 2 nd General Session
1996, Feb., Indianapolis with InCITE Exposition w. 156 exhibitors	Lynn Milet “Gavel passed” at 2 nd General Session
1997, Feb., Albuquerque with InCITE Exposition w. 121 exhibitors	William Burns “Gavel passed” at 2 nd General Session
1998, Feb., St. Louis with InCITE Exposition w. 66 exhibitors	Franz Frederick “Gavel passed” at 2 nd General Session
1999, Feb., Houston with InCITE Exposition w. 26 exhibitors	Robert A. Harrell Presided at early Board meetings; at 2 nd gen sess, passed gavel to Peck; both spoke
Begin Feb 1999	Kyle Peck