

ALPCA Convention News

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ALCPA Comes to Salt Lake City, Utah!

The best hobby in the world comes to the Salt Palace Convention Center in beautiful Salt Lake City, Utah. Home to the 2002 Olympics, Utah welcomes you to “Center Scenic America”

The Salt Palace Convention Center is located in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City. Access to the convention center is convenient to Interstate 80 and Interstate 15 with plenty of parking available at the convention center and our host hotels.

Read more inside and plan on attending the ALPCA International Convention in Salt Lake City, July 9 thru 12, 2008!

Utah to Issue New License Plates in 2007

Designed by fellow ALPCA member John Clark, the new Utah plates will be issued in late 2007. This issue of ALCPA Convention News includes a sneak preview of the new plate, just for our members!

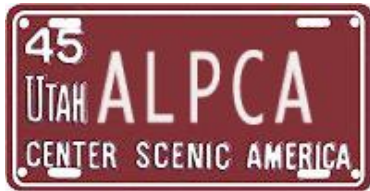


Salt Lake City, Utah - Life Elevated.....

Salt Lake lies in a mountain valley with the Wasatch Mountains to the east and north. The Oquirrh (pronounced "oaker") Mountains border the western edge of the valley. Salt Lake's official elevation is 4,330 feet/1,320 meters above sea level. The city is situated on land once covered by the prehistoric Lake Bonneville. This ancient lake existed within



portions of Utah, Nevada, and Idaho. The eastern and northern portions of the city are located on a series of terraces, or former beaches, which are known locally as "the benches." Hosting the Olympic Winter Games of 2002 enhanced the community's profile as a world-class travel destination, while showcasing Salt Lake as an unspoiled, family-friendly destination.



ALPCA 54th Annual International Convention

July 9 to 12, 2008 – Salt Lake City, Utah

Attendee Information Package

Note: This advance information is provided in June 2007. Attendees are encouraged to watch each issue of the ALPCA Plates Magazine for Salt Lake City 2008 updates and information



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- **John Dodge – Local Contact and On-Site Support**
- **Alan Weston - President Utah Region and Local Volunteers**



ALPCA 54th International Convention

Getting to Salt Lake City



From I-80 east or west or I-15 north or south, Salt Lake City is easily accessible from any direction.



Salt Lake City is also served by most of the major airlines, including Delta Airlines. By air, half the U.S. population is within 2-1/2 hours. Salt Lake City International Airport is closer to the city it serves than nearly any other metropolitan airport.

Amtrak provides a link to east and west by rail.



- 1. Salt Palace Convention Center
- 2. Crossroads Plaza
- 3. ZCMI Center Mall
- 4. Delta Center
- 5. Historic Temple Square
- 6. Gateway Mall
- 7. Lightrail Stations
- 8. Airport Access

In the heart of downtown, the Salt Palace Convention Center is easily accessible with parking at the host hotels as well as the convention center. The Historic Mormon Temple, Gateway Mall as well as Lightrail access are all within easy walking distance of the Convention Center and host hotels.



ALPCA Host Hotel Information

Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown



Located in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City, the Radisson Hotel offers magnificent views of the Wasatch Mountains and downtown Salt Lake City. Guests enjoy convenient access to Salt Lake City International Airport, shopping, dining, ski resorts, Delta Center and adjacent to Salt Palace Convention Center. This Salt Lake City Hotel offers warm hospitality, an inviting atmosphere and topnotch services sure to please business and leisure travelers alike. The Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown completed a \$5 million dollar renovation in 2006

The Salt Lake Plaza Hotel at Temple Square

The Plaza Hotel offers Salt Lake City's Dream downtown location. The Hotel is directly across the street from Utah's most visited attraction, Historic Temple Square. Temple Square's 10 acre's include the world renowned Mormon Tabernacle Choir, two visitors centers, garden tours, the tabernacle organ, the six spired Salt Lake Temple and complimentary guided tours.



Volunteers:

The primary reason our conventions are so successful is you, the volunteer. Hundreds of volunteers come together to put on the International Convention. Some of the areas you can participate as a volunteer include:

- Registration Desk
- Souvenir Desk
- Auction Donation Solicitor
- Auction Donation Plate sorter
- Auction Runner
- Auction Accountant
- Seminars
- Display Judges
- Photographer



SALT PALACE
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Please consider volunteering and making the convention even better!



ALPCA Convention Schedule and Other Information

Convention Schedule and Social Events:

At this early date, the convention schedule has not been finalized. Please watch upcoming issues of **Plates Magazine** and our website for details about daily activities planned for our Convention.

The Utah Region is working with the Salt Lake City Visitors & Convention Bureau to provide a wide variety of activities in Salt Lake City and Utah. See future issues of Plates for more information

Salt Palace Convention Center:
<http://www.saltpalace.com>

Salt Lake City Visitors & Convention:
<http://www.visitsaltlake.com>



Salt Lake City History:

Salt Lake City was founded on July 24, 1847 by a group of Mormon pioneers searching for a home where they could practice their religion, free from hostile mobs and persecution. When Brigham Young, leader of the expedition, first saw the valley he said, "This is the right place."

The founding group of 148 men, three women, and two children were the first non-Indians to settle permanently in the valley. On the very day of arrival, the pioneers began tilling the soil and planting crops. Within a few days, plans were drawn for the Great Salt Lake City, named after the salty inland lake, which dominated the desert to the west.



Historic Sites:

While visiting Salt Lake City, Temple Square is the heart of downtown. Also on the Square is the domed Tabernacle, home of the world-famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Other spots of interest include the family history library, LDS Church Office Building, Museum of Church History and Art, LDS Conference Center, Joseph Smith Memorial Building and the Lion House.



Other Information and Places to See

Golden Spike National Historic Site

May 10, 1869, two railroad companies, Union Pacific and Central Pacific, joined 1,776 miles of rail at Promontory Summit, Utah Territory. The Golden Spike National Historic Site is home to the steam locomotives Jupiter and #119.



These engines are fully-functional replicas of the original locomotives that met here on May 10, 1869, for the "Wedding of the Rails Ceremony" The Steam Locomotives are on display and running daily from May 1 through Labor Day. The locomotives operate between the hours of 10:00 a.m. - 4:30p.m.

Antelope Island State Park



Bison on Antelope Island, in the Great Salt Lake

Antelope Island, the largest island in the Great Salt Lake, is accessed via a 7.2-mile causeway. Its 28,022 acres are home to a unique variety of wildlife. Also featured are 25 miles of backcountry trails for hiking, mountain biking, and horseback riding, a visitor center that's open year-round, and tours of the Fielding Garr Historic Ranch House. Facilities include RV and primitive camping, a beach picnic area, and marina.

Park City

Park City is nestled in the Wasatch Mountains approximately 30 miles from Salt Lake. Browse through art galleries, clothiers, and boutiques on Park City's Historic Main Street. Visit Park City Mountain Resort, Deer Valley Resort, and the Utah Olympic Park—venues for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games. From Park City, venture to nearby Midway and Soldier Hollow, site of the Nordic venue for the 2002 Games. (Travel south on US-40.) Midway's Home-stead Golf Resort & Conference Center offers summer golfing as well as year-round scuba diving, swimming, and snorkeling in "the Crater." Board the Heber Valley Historic Railroad (travel south on US-189) for a leisurely excursion through scenic Provo Canyon.



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