

# WHOVA ATTENDEE/SPEAKER GUIDE

Welcome to the **2026 Alaska Food Festival and Conference!**

This guide is designed to walk you through signing in to our “virtual venue,” Whova. Here you will find instructions on signing into Whova, viewing the agenda and creating a schedule tailored to you, using the Q&A feature, and more!

If you need additional assistance, contact Meghan Hargis by emailing [events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org](mailto:events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org)

Please note, we will be slow to respond once the event begins on October 16th.



**Welcome to the 2026 Alaska Food Festival and Conference community! We're delighted you're attending and thank you for supporting Alaska's amazing food systems and the people who make it happen. This resource will help you navigate our digital conference platform, Whova, and set you up for success.**

**\*\* Even though you are attending in person, you still need to log in to Whova, to get the most up to date information- we will be providing updates via the Whova platform throughout the conference.**

**About Whova** - Just like at a hotel or venue, Whova is a digital “information booth” for the conference. This is where you will see our conference schedule, with full session details and descriptions, and be able to chat with the conference support team and other attendees. We'll also use Whova to provide you with up-to-the-minute conference information and announcements. It's your one-stop shop for information.

Whova offers a highly effective mobile app and a desktop version. The Whova app is needed to message the conference support team, view the conference agenda (in addition to printed programs), and interact with other attendees on the community board to keep conversations going. To get the most out of the conference, we recommend downloading the Whova app on your phone.

If you are struggling with logging in, please reference the following pages or email Meghan at [events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org](mailto:events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org).

**NOTE:** Before you can join us at the conference, you **MUST** register for Whova with the **SAME** email you used to purchase your ticket.

If you use a different email, Whova will block you from the event. If you are asked to enter an event code, something has gone wrong - please reach out to us!

# HOW TO SIGN INTO WHOVA

You have two routes:

**\*On the web app:**

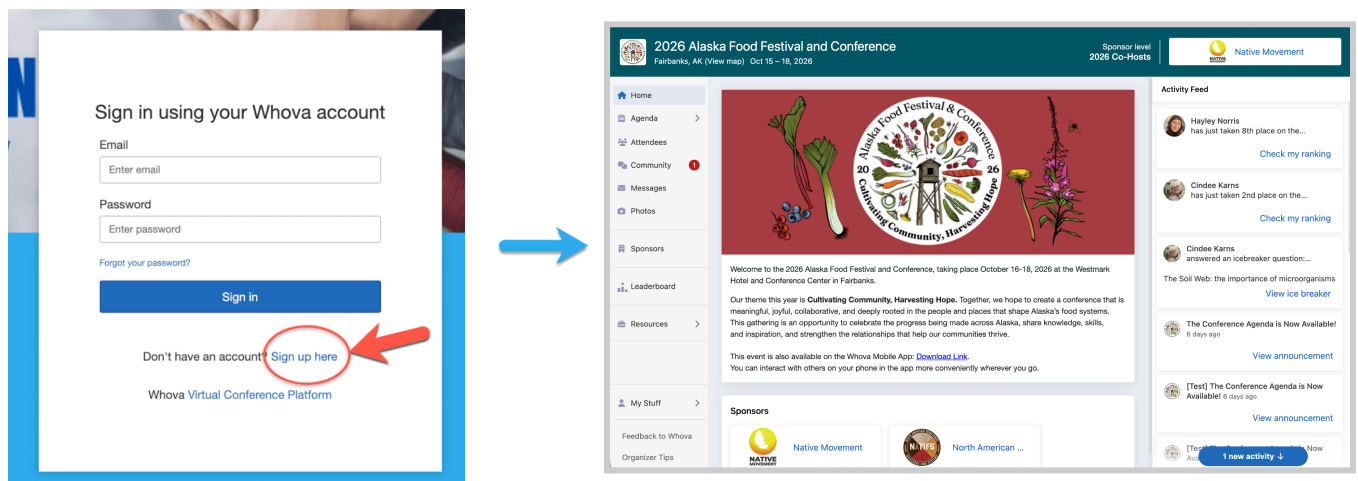
1. Get the web app link for your event from your registration confirmation email (or here) and open the page:

<https://whova.com/portal/webapp/70ApUO5MiilZOdXTzkTQ/>

2. Click “Sign up here” if you don’t have an account yet, and fill in your email and password.

**Please make sure to use the email you used when registering for the event. Otherwise, it won’t allow you to join the event.**

3. The app will automatically take you to the event main page.



**\*On the mobile app (best for in-person attendees and virtual attendees joining from their phone):**

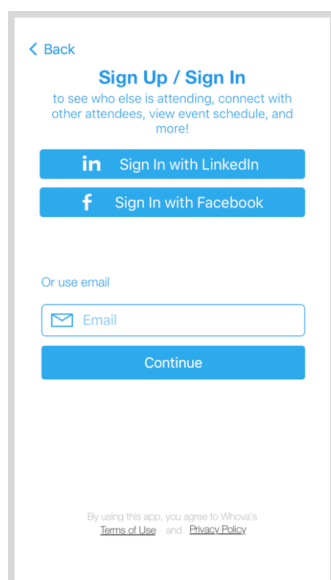
1. Download the Whova App here:

[https://whova.com/portal/wL9H5xFOdOVLHW8Vd3JczL@595LbtOrziW99PRXcuUo=/?source=text\\_link" target=](https://whova.com/portal/wL9H5xFOdOVLHW8Vd3JczL@595LbtOrziW99PRXcuUo=/?source=text_link)

2. Enter the email address you used for event registration or use your social media account.

**To automatically log in to your event, please make sure to use the email you used when registering for the event.**

3. Create a password and type in your name
4. Be sure to take some time to edit your profile. Other attendees will use this to network with you, so make it look nice 😊
5. The app will take you to your event page automatically if you have registered for a ticket - **you should NOT need an event invitation code**. If you are prompted for this code, please email [events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org](mailto:events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org).



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**Sign Up / Sign In**  
to see who else is attending, connect with other attendees, view event schedule, and more!

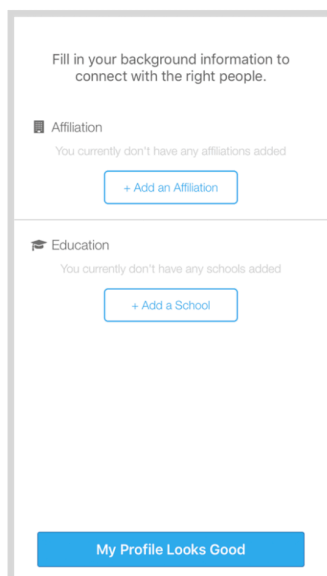
**in** Sign In with LinkedIn

**f** Sign In with Facebook

Or use email

Continue

By using this app, you agree to Whova's [Terms of Use](#) and [Privacy Policy](#)



Fill in your background information to connect with the right people.

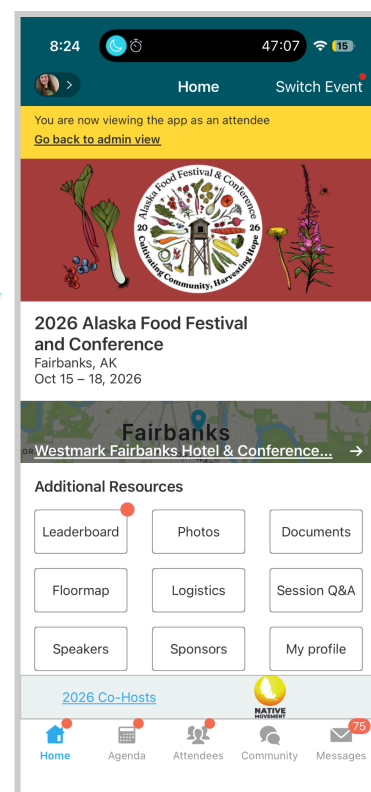
**Affiliation**  
You currently don't have any affiliations added

+ Add an Affiliation

**Education**  
You currently don't have any schools added

+ Add a School

My Profile Looks Good



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Home Switch Event

You are now viewing the app as an attendee  
[Go back to admin view](#)

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Fairbanks, AK  
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Westmark Fairbanks Hotel & Conference...

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# TO VIEW THE AGENDA AND PLAN

## YOUR SCHEDULE:

The screenshot shows the website for the 2026 Alaska Food Festival and Conference. The header includes the event title, location (Fairbanks, AK), dates (Oct 15 - 18, 2026), sponsor level (2026 Co-Hosts), and a logo for North American Traditional Indigenous Food Systems. A left navigation bar lists various sections: Home, Agenda (with a dropdown), Sessions (selected), Speakers, Attendees, Community (with a red notification badge), Messages, Photos, Sponsors, Leaderboard, Resources, My Stuff, Feedback to Whova, and Organizer Tips. The main content area features a search bar and a 'Filter by tracks' button. Below this, there are tabs for 'Full Agenda' and 'My Agenda'. The 'Full Agenda' tab is active, showing a calendar view for Thursday, October 15, Friday, October 16, and Saturday, October 17. Two sessions are listed for Thursday, October 15, starting at 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Each session card includes a track name, session title, date, time, location, speaker, and three buttons: 'View details', 'Add notes', and 'Add to My Agenda'.

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Fairbanks, AK (View map) Oct 15 - 18, 2026

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Filter by tracks Search by session name, location, speaker, or author

Full Agenda My Agenda

< Thu Oct 15 Fri Oct 16 Sat Oct 17 >

10:00 AM

Value Chain Coordination: Busi...

**Sustainable is Attainable - Chena Hot Springs**

Thu Oct 15, 2026 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Location: Chena Hot Springs  
Speaker: Bernie Karl

View details Add notes Add to My Agenda

12:00 PM

Indigenous Foodways & Traditi...

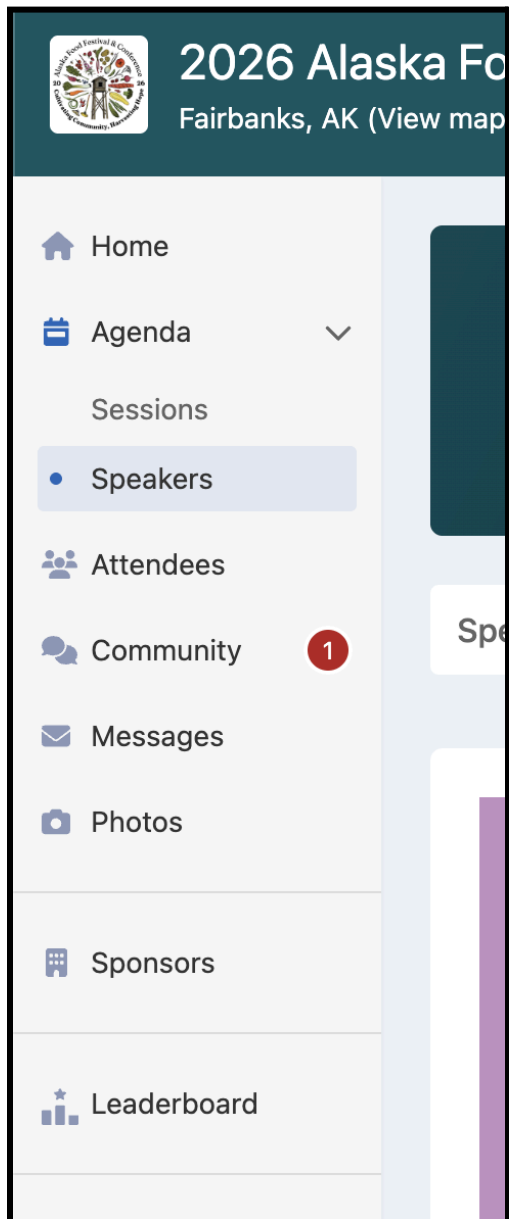
**Native Movement: Food Sovereignty Exploration at Nankat Wellness & Resilience Center**

Thu Oct 15, 2026 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Location: Departing from the Westmark  
Speaker: Enei Begaye

View details Add notes Add to My Agenda

On the left side of your screen, there is a navigation bar. Here, you will see an “agenda” tab. Click on the agenda button and you will see each day of the conference, and all of the sessions listed out with times and speakers. Click “view session” to enter a session livestream, see the session description, and speaker information. Click “add to My Agenda” to add a session to your personal agenda and keep track of the sessions you’d like to attend throughout the event.

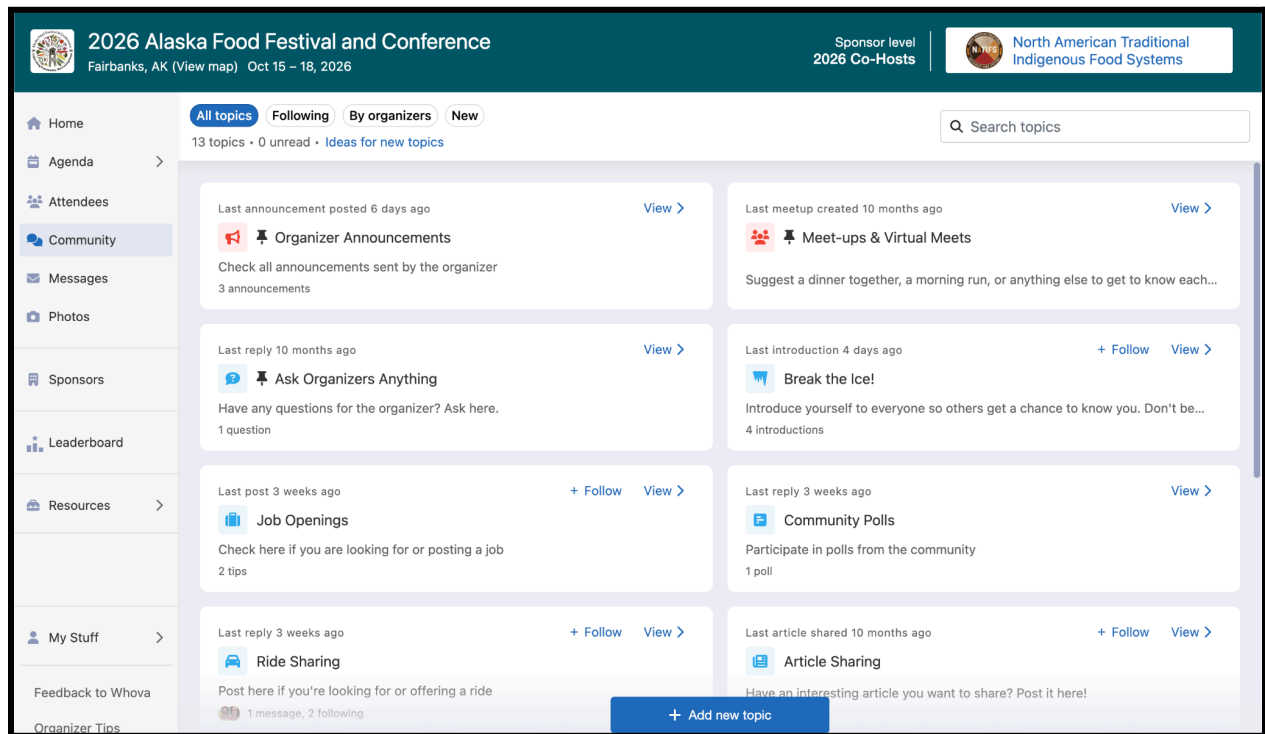
# TO FIND ADDITIONAL SPEAKER & ATTENDEE INFORMATION



Under the agenda tab, there is a drop down menu with the sessions (which opens automatically when you click “agenda”) and speakers. If you click on “**speakers**” you will see all of the speakers for the entire event listed in alphabetical order. Say hi to those you know or contact others you have questions for.

Below the agenda tab, the “**attendees**” tab functions very similarly to the speaker center, where you will be able to see other attendees and contact people individually! Network, network, network!

# COMMUNITY BOARD



The community board functions like the lobby space of an in-person conference. This space is for you to add topics to chat with other attendees, ask the conference organizers questions, suggest meet-ups, and share articles and photos. Use this space to network with others and have some fun!

# NOTE FOR PRESENTERS:

The conference space will include a projector and screen for your presentation slides, and microphones. ***Please arrive at your scheduled presentation time 15 minutes early, and stay for your entire session block - we have paired presentations together into themed blocks, so your perspective will be valued in conversations!***

Your slides will be opened from the shared [Google Drive folder](#) where you uploaded them, by the room moderator. They will advance the slides for you. In the event of technical difficulties, **please be sure to bring a back-up** for your slides on a thumb drive.

Your room moderator will ensure they are capturing the session correctly, but some things to be mindful of:

- Try not to walk around the room too much as a presenter - stick to the front of the room and face toward the audience so attendees can see you clearly
- Be sure to speak clearly into the microphone - you may have to hold it closer to your mouth than feels natural for everyone to be able to hear you well.
- If you receive a question from the audience, repeat the question into your microphone before answering. This ensures everyone in the room will hear the question and understand the context of your answer.

# FAQS

## 1. Where's the conference schedule?

- a. Right here! [Click here to see the agenda.](#)

## 2. What if I just can't figure out how to log on?

- a. Ask us!
  - i. Email Meghan at [events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org](mailto:events@alaskafoodpolicycouncil.org).
- b. Call your kid, grandkid, or Gen Z coworker.

## 3. How to use the Q&A option on Whova:

- a. Think of a question for a presenter after the session wraps?  
There is a Q&A section on Whova for each session. Drop your question there and the speaker(s) can answer you there.
- b. If you don't want to ask on the public Q&A section, you can click on an individual speaker profile and reach out to them directly.

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Q&A Polls Chat Community

Questions Filter by Sort by

CONNECT Keynote Panel: Rematriating Systems  
Fri Oct 16, 2026 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Gold 7 Attending 0 Questions

Add to My Agenda Like session Take notes

Speaker

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Executive Director  
Native Movement  
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Eva Dawn Burk  
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Michelle Crisostomo  
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Ask a question

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