

# Global Gateways and Local Connections

## Registration FAQ

First and foremost, any conference attendee needs to be a currently registered member of one of the three host organizations, ASFS, SAFN or AFHVS in addition to registering and paying for the Global Gateways and Local Connections. If you are not up to date please follow the links and register today! Registration will be checked at conference check in. Any attendee who is not a registered member of one of the aforementioned organizations will be charged \$100 onsite. Online registration is currently available. Please **do not** use Internet Explorer as your search engine. When you have completed your registration and uploaded your payment information, you will be asked to print a copy of the receipt. If you have no access to a printer please feel free to copy and paste it into a file for your records

## Conference FAQ

Here are some quick facts to demystify the upcoming conference proceedings. The conference officially begins, on Wednesday June 20<sup>th</sup> with suite of half and full day tours, for those who are able to come early and wish to add a NYC food educational component to their program. The academic sessions will begin Thursday morning at the New School for or Public Engagement, 66 West 12<sup>th</sup> Street.

Friday morning there are a second set of optional walking tours that will occur before our conference sessions. On Friday and Saturday, NYU will host the conference proceedings. Once the conference matrix is posted online later this spring all relevant addresses on the Washington Square campus will be listed. All academic sessions will end by 5:30 on Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

In lieu of a grand buffet dinner on Friday evening we will be offering a NYC Dine-A-Round, following the Presidential addresses. Conferees can opt to choose one of the listed price points and receive a three course dinner including tax and tip, alcohol not included, at a series of undisclosed hot NY restaurants. The restaurants will offer tables of eight allowing folks to meet and mingle with new and old friends. Each restaurant will be given our program and will share their interpretation of our themes with the lucky guests. More details will be posted on the ASFS Facebook page, <http://www.facebook.com/groups/9531416060/> closer to conference time!—see you in the Big Apple.

Finally—as soon as we have completed registration of all of the presenters we will post a conference matrix, identifying the schedule of all panels. We will do our best to take into account the requested needs and limitations of some presenters. Please try and share the responsibility since we have over 500 presenters to accommodate. We expect to provide this data online by early to mid May.

## Housing FAQ:

Since this is a big destination city with options at many price points and many attendees have discussed bringing family for recreational purposes, we have reserved a limited number of dormitory rooms for conferees only on a first come, first served basis. **If you wish to have your partner/spouse stay in the dorm with you, they need to be presenting or attending the conference sessions.** Otherwise, the website lists several options for alternate lodging to suit your needs and budget.

NYU Dorm rooms are laid out as suites each with four bedrooms. Every room is furnished with single beds, [there is a shared bath, desk and closets], towels, sheets, pillows and blankets. There is WiFi in the building, a few common lounges, Mac computers and wide screen TV's are available, NYC tourist information office, 24 hour security, and a short walk to Washington Square or Union Square.

If you choose to share a room (double occupancy) when you select this option online you will be asked to fill in your desired partner's name. You can also elect to be randomly matched with a fellow conferee. In that case, please specify 'No Preference' in the drop down screen.

*Dormitory room rates are as follows:*

**One person/or single occupancy is \$77/night for a total of: \$385.00**

**Two people or double occupancy, is \$51/each for a total of: \$255.00/per person or a grand total of \$510.00**

***In addition to the alternate hotel selections listed on the website, please be aware of:***

**Vacation Rentals by Owner:** <http://www.vrbo.com/>, a great option for folks who may want to cook, or feel like your at home (in someone else's house).

**Air B&B:** <http://www.airbnb.com/search>, This short stay search engine also offers a room or home for rentals.