

# NAAAEA E-Newsletter – October 2023



NATIONAL ARAB AMERICAN ASSOCIATION  
OF ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS

# President's Message

Dear NAAAEA Chapter leaders and Chapter members:

The 2023 NAAAEA **Annual Conference** will be virtual (zoom) on two days: Friday November 17, 2023, from 10: 00 AM – 1:00 PM (Central Time), and Saturday November 18, 2023, from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Central Time). See following pages for the Call for Abstracts, and the zoom link

See in the following pages the **Call for Nomination** for the 2024 NAAAEA National Executive Board (NEB). This is open to all those who qualifies to be part of the NAAAEA National Executive Board. Nominations are open for all positions. See following pages for more information.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Conference. Please encourage all to attend

Dr. Soliman Khudeira, Ph.D., S.E., P.E., F.SEI, F.ASCE  
NAAAEA President



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## Announcements

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## **National AAAEA Scholarship**

Application deadline: **October 15, 2023.**

Apply at <https://nationalaaaea.org/scholarship-application/>

## **2023 NAAAEA Annual Conference**

**Friday Nov 17**, 2023 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada), and

**Saturday Nov 18**, 2023 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

See following pages for more information.

**NAAAEA 2023 National Conference Announcement  
and Call for Abstracts (for the Technical Sessions of the Conference)**

**Conference Location: Virtual Conference**

# Call for Papers for the Conference

The 2023 NAAAEA National Conference will be a virtual conference on two days:

1. **Friday November 17, 2023**, from 10: 00 AM – 1:00 PM (Central Time), and
2. **Saturday November 18, 2023** from 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Central Time)

Conference attendees are invited to submit abstracts for presentations with any of the following length of time:

- **5-minute presentation**
- **10-minute presentation**
- **20-minute presentation**

This is an opportunity for experienced speakers to benefit the attendees, but also this is a perfect opportunity for all attendees to **share their knowledge and sharpen their communication/presentation skills** in front of caring, professional, and supportive colleagues.

### **PRESENTATION TOPICS**

The following are suggested presentation topics (**not** listed in order of preference):

- Strategies for recruitment and retention of members
- The “Consent Agenda”: a time-saver for your board meetings
- What makes a good board member
- Basics of Strategic Planning
- Financial managements / managing your portfolio
- How to improve your communication skills
- How to improve your leadership skills
- Time management skills
- Volunteering: ways to encourage volunteering and members engagement
- IT security issues: password and email security
- Social media and the engineering profession
- Skills in using popular computer software
- Middle East related topics. Ex.: Earthquake mitigation strategies, water resources, water purification methods, desertification, population movement.
- Specific engineering project
- Research topics with practical applications
- Starting/managing your business
- Successful business habits
- Any other topic of interest to all attendees

### **IMPORTANT DATE**

Abstract due date: **10/31/2023**

Email to: [abstract@naaaea.org](mailto:abstract@naaaea.org)

Email your: Presentation topic, very brief bio., and very short abstract. Indicate the time limit you need for your presentation: 5-minute, 10-minute, or 20-minute



**Call for  
Papers**

# 2023 NAAAEA Annual Conference

Fri. Nov. 17 and Sat. Nov. 18

## Zoom Link

Registration is **not** required

The conference is open to all to attend

**Date and Time:**

Friday Nov 17, 2023 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada), and  
Saturday Nov 18, 2023 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

<https://iit-edu.zoom.us/j/84033761570?pwd=WW53ckNDdWs2T1BuT21Nckk0dUhLQT09>

Meeting ID: 840 3376 1570

Passcode: 131450

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Zoom Link

# Call for Nomination

## Call for Nomination for the 2024 NAAAEA National Executive Board (NEB)

This is a call for nomination to be part of the NAAAEA National Executive Board. Nominations are open for all positions, which are:

1. **President**
2. **Vice President**
3. **Secretary**
4. **Treasurer**
5. **Career Committee Chair**
6. **IT Committee Chair**
7. **Education Committee Chair**
8. **Publication Committee Chair**
9. **Outreach Committee Chair**

Please submit your application by visiting the website <https://nationalaaaea.org/>. Click on the Home page on

2023 NAAAEA CONFERENCE

then click on

NAAAEA NOMINATIONS

Call for  
Nomination

# NAAAEA Scholarship

The NAAAEA scholarship was established by the National AAEA and is presented to an Undergraduate or Graduate students in the areas of Engineering, Architecture, and Computer Science.

## AMOUNT

At least one scholarship will be awarded annually in an estimated amount of at least \$1,000.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The NAAAEA scholarship is available to student members of who are attending an accredited university in the USA and must be a student-member in any one of the NAAAEA Chapters.

Apply at:

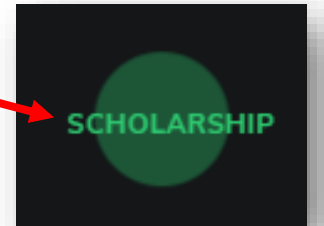
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NAAAEA Scholarship

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# Morocco Earthquake and Libya Flood

As you have heard, **Morocco** was recently hit by a devastating earthquake that has left many families homeless and struggling to survive. The earthquake has caused immense destruction to the infrastructure, especially since they were built with traditional building materials and without any structural design and building permits.

**Libya** was recently hit with a major flood, which caused at least one dam collapse.

The following are the recommended action items:

1. NAAAEA has a committee (Technical Support & Disaster Relief Committee (TSDR). The Committee needs more members who are interested in the cause. Please sign up to be a member of this committee by simply sending your name and email to [info@nationalaaaea.org](mailto:info@nationalaaaea.org) , or via NAAAEA website <https://nationalaaaea.org/contact-us/>
2. Each AAAEA Chapter is to encourage their members to donate to their charity of choice, especially to those charities that has presence on the ground.
3. Each AAAEA Chapter is to encourage their members to volunteer their time with relief organizations in the US and overseas.
4. Each AAAEA Chapter to consider building a coalition in their State with other relevant American organizations interested in the cause.

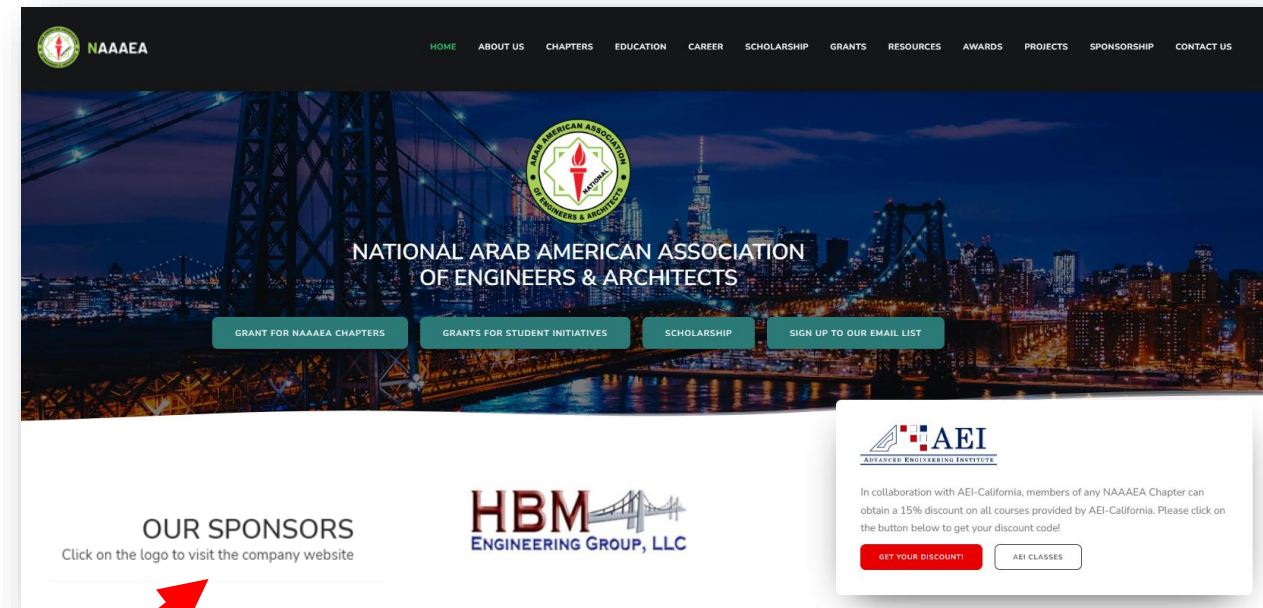
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