

Need to Know - Elections 2025

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Best place to find convention information on registration, hotel, FAQs, elections,

Phlea-Phlam: <https://www.sai-national.org/resources/con2025.html>

Convention theme: United in Music

Hashtag: #SAICon25

Convention Details:

Date: July 17 through July 21, 2025

Location: Minneapolis, MN

Hotel: Hyatt Regency Minneapolis

1300 Nicollet Mall

Minneapolis, Minnesota

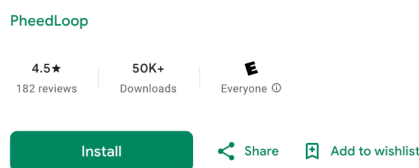
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Convention app: PheedLoop - will be available soon!

You'll be able to access:

- Full schedule and locations
- Workshop titles and descriptions
- Musical programs
- Ability to connect with other attendees
- Announcements

PheedLoop Go!



Where to find the slate of officers: You can find the slate of officers on the SAI Website's Convention page (www.sai-national.org). It's also available in the Officer Portal (Document Library, Convention 2025). If "no candidate" is listed, that means the nomination/recommendation information was received after the January 15 deadline, or no nominations were received for that position.

Delegate Responsibilities before Convention: To be prepared to vote, here are some things you can do as the delegate:

- 1) read through the job descriptions of the NEB, province and regional officers.
- 2) Review the slate of officers and read their bios to get more familiar with the candidates.
- 3) Get your chapter involved by talking to them about the candidates.

If you have any questions about the election process, please contact your Province Officer.

Chapter Delegate Responsibilities at Convention:

- When you check in at convention on Thursday, make sure you stop at the credentials desk to verify your voting information. This is very important! That day, there will also be a mandatory delegate orientation starting at 4:15 p.m.
- During the Friday General Session, the slate of nominees is read, and nominations from the floor by delegates are opened. Then later that afternoon, the final slate is introduced and there will be a social time for NEB nominees to speak to attendees, who can ask questions.
- On Saturday, there will be a time for everyone to meet the candidates for Province and Regional offices and ask them questions.
- On the day of voting, times will be announced for when voting will take place on Sunday and in what rooms that will take place. The Election Committee will be on-site to monitor the voting and to answer questions.

Nominations from the Floor: Following the report of the Nominating Committee, at the end of our convention's first General Session, additional nominations for the NEB offices, Province Officers and Region Officers may be submitted by delegates, which is known as taking nominations from the floor.

IMPORTANT:

- Only convention delegates may nominate someone. Before you do this, make sure to confirm the person's willingness to serve in that role, by having that person fill out the *Request for Information* form and have that in hand when making the nomination.
- Any nominations for the NEB will also need a headshot and a bio.
- Nominations without a completed form will not be accepted.
- If you plan to nominate someone who will not be present at convention, you will need to have the *Request for Information* form completed by that person prior to coming to convention and available to hand to the Nominating Committee.
- If you are not a delegate, you will want to ask a Province Officer, Region Officer, or a delegate from your province to officially make the nomination.
- Information on nominations from the floor, including *Request for Information* forms, was distributed to delegates, chapters, and NOC members on June 24, so check your emails for more details.

Process for making nominations from the floor:

- Each position will be called in the order presented on the slate. The current nominee(s) will be announced, followed by the question: "Are there any nominations from the floor?"
- At that time, official delegates may approach a microphone to nominate a member from the floor for the stated position.
- When recognized by the chair, delegates should state their name and chapter, followed by the name of the person they are nominating and the position for which the individual is being nominated.
- Immediately after the nomination is recorded, the delegate must hand the completed

Request for Information form to the page stationed at the microphone.

Upon the completion of nominations from the floor, all Request for Information forms will be passed to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will review the information received from each additional nominee and work with the Executive Director to establish eligibility prior to publication of the final slate.

Important Notes:

- Elections will take place on paper ballots.
- A member can only be on the ballot for two positions.
- A candidate for Regional office can be nominated for a National or Province office.
- A candidate for Province Officer can be nominated for a National or Regional office.
- A chapter's balance owed to National Headquarters must be zero at the time of Convention in order for the chapter delegate to vote.
- Remember, you will vote for each national office, your Regional Officer, and your Province Officer. In all, you will make nine votes. If you need any help with your ballot, the elections committee will be there! Runoffs will take place as needed.

Need more information? You can find recordings of the Guide to Convention - Spring and Delegate webinars in the convention tab in the Officer Portal's Document Library or on the SAI website's dedicated convention page.