NTBA NATIONAL TOWN BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

Arts + Culture in Placemaking -October 14-17,2026

2026 NTBA Fall ROUNDTABLE- Santa Fe NM	START TIME	END TIME	PRESENTERS	NOTES
PRE-ROUNDTABLE: WED 14th (OPTIONAL)				
Meet at 8:00 AM - Hotel Andaluz, Albuquerque NM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM		Meet in front of the Hotel Andaluz in Albuquerque, NM
Pre-Tour - Mesa Del Sol	9:00 AM	9:45 AM	Bob S Twilight Homes Abrazo Homes	5801 University Blvd SE: Tour of Mesa Del Sol, a Forest City TND that has been in development for 20+ years
Bus to Griegos Farms	9:45 AM	10:15 AM		
Pre-Tour Griegos Farms	10:15 AM	11:15 AM	Jay Rembe, Developer Abrazo Homes, Builder	1620 Griegos Road NW: Tour of a new infill agrihood development in ABQ
Bus to Old Town Albuquerque	11:15 AM	11:30 AM	Mikaela Renz-Whitmore	
Lunch in Old Town	11:30 AM	12:30 PM		2015 Central Ave NW: Have lunch on your own in Old Town ABQ along Central Ave (Rte 66)
Bus Tour of Route 66 (Old Town to Nob Hill)	12:30 PM	1:30 PM	Mikaela Renz-Whitmore Brad Lonberger	Ride Historic Route 66 through ABQ and see the various neighborhoods and expressions of placemaking along the way.
Train to Santa Fe	1:30 PM	4:00 PM		Train to Santa Fe - Departs: 2:19PM #104 Express
Cocktail Welcome - Introduction to Santa Fe Roundtable	6:00 PM	7:00 PM		Meet at the Hilton Santa Fe
ROUNDTABLE DAY 1: THURSDAY October 15	**START TIME**	**END TIME**	**PRESENTERS**	**NOTES**
Breakfast	7:30 AM	8:30 AM		Breakfast Available at the Hilton Santa Fe meeting room
Session 1 - The Long Arc of Santa Fe: From Indigenous Settlement to the Reinvention of a City	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Elmo Baca, Author, Former SHPO Dr. Andrew Lovato, Former City Historian	A foundational session reviewing the indigenous, Hispanic, and territorial roots of Santa Fe and their role in future development
Break	9:30 AM	9:45 AM		
Session 2 - Governing Place: Master Planning, Zoning and Cultural Stewardship	9:45 AM	10:45 AM	Moderator - Chuck Wolfe Heather Lamboy, City of Santa Fe Dan Parolek, Opticos	Translates Santa Fe's cultural and historical foundations into the modern regulatory frameworks guiding development today.
Break	10:45 AM	11:00AM		
Session 3 - Preservation as an Economic Development Strategy	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Moderator - Bob S Michelle Ensey, SHPO Shawn Evans, AIA, MASS Design Daniel Hernandez, MADA	Explores preservation not as nostalgia, but as long-term value creation.
Lunch	12:00 PM	2:00 PM	Lunch on your own	***Lunch Alternative:*** O'Keefe Museum will require scheduled tickets, *book in advance* www.okeeffemuseum.org/
Tour: Downtown Square Santa Fe	2:00 PM	3:30 PM	TBD	Self-Directed OR An alternative guided tour can be scheduled for an additional cost. Inquire if interested in the paid tours.
Tour: Canyon Road	3:30 PM	4:30 PM	TBD	
Group Dinners	5:30 PM	9:00 PM		Reservations made at specific restaurants, sign up at morning sessions to get a seat
MARGARITA CRAWL	9:00 PM	???	Coyote Rooftop Cantina The Matador Evangelo's	Over 50 establishments serve a signature margarita in Santa Fe, we will try to hit a few of them.
ROUNDTABLE Day 2 : FRIDAY October 16	**START TIME**	**END TIME**	**PRESENTERS**	**NOTES**
Breakfast	7:30 AM	8:30 AM		Breakfast Available at the Hilton Santa Fe meeting room
Session 4 - Arts as Infrastructure : Building Daily Life Not Just Destinations	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Moderator - TBD Raashan Ahmad, Vital Spaces	Positions arts and culture as essential infrastructure supporting walkability and daily life.
Break	9:30 AM	9:45 AM		
Session 5 - Designing for the Human Pace	9:45 AM	10:45 AM	Moderator - Tony E Abby Feldman, Surroundings Studio Erick Aune, MPO Director	Examines the physical design elements that make people want to walk.
Break	10:45 AM	11:00 AM		
Session 6 - Development Economics of Arts Led Walkable Neighborhoods	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Moderator - Bob S Phillip Gesue, Pere Holdings Johanna Gilligan, Homewise Dan Parolek, Opticos	Explores how to finance and phase culturally rich, walkable development.
Walk to Railyard	12:00 PM	12:30 PM		
Lunch on your own at the Railyard	12:30 PM	1:45 PM		
Tour: Railyard/Guadalupe St	1:45 PM	3:00PM	Tour Guide - Robert Siqueiros	2 Groups running sequentially
Project Critique OR Museum Walk	3:00 PM	5:00 PM	Register your project for a critique, or to pitch an idea for feedback!	***Option 1:*** Register your project for a Project Critique by a volunteer from NTBA. Participating Members will be recruited once we know what projects require for critique. OR ***Option 2:*** Self-Guided Museum Walk
NTBA DINNER	6:00 PM	9:00 PM		Group Dinner sponsored by NTBA
MARGARITA CRAWL: PART DEUX	9:00 PM	???		
ROUNDTABLE DAY 3: SAT October 17	**START TIME**	**END TIME**	**PRESENTERS**	**NOTES**
Breakfast	8:00 AM	9:00 AM		Breakfast Available at the Hilton Santa Fe meeting room
Session 7 - Stewardship, Equity , and the Future of Place	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	Mod. - Mallory Bacches, President, CNU Others TBD	A synthesis session asking who benefits, who stays, and what comes next.
Roundtable: Where does NTBA fit in the evolution of place?	10:30 AM	11:30 AM	Dixon Pitt Brad Lonberger	Continuation from Session 7 to discuss how NTBA fits into the greater conversation of placemaking and how NTBA and CNU work together to support development of places.
Tour: Santa Fe Farmer's Market	11:30 AM	1:00 PM	1607 Paseo de Peralta	Join us for a tour of the Farmer's Market at the Railyard and stay for the weekend in Santa Fe.