

ASES SOLAR 2026

October 19-21 | Palmer Events Center | Austin, TX

SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

REGISTRATION DETAILS:

Palmer Events Center Lobby: 900 Barton Springs Rd
(Hallway outside of Exhibit Hall 2)

- **Monday 10/19:** 3:30 pm - 7:30 pm
- **Tuesday 10/20:** 7:45 am - 7:00 pm
- **Wednesday 10/21:** 7:45 am - 3:00 pm

Note: All times are Central Time (CT)



Set Up



Plenary



Session



Special Event



Workshop/Course



Networking Break

Sunday, October 18

5:30pm - 8:30pm  **Climate Bat Ride/Walk**

Meet Outside Palmer Events Center: Near Palmer Pond

Monday, October 19

9:30am - 2:30pm		5 hr NABCEP Course: PV & the NEC Including 2026 NEC <i>(additional ticket required)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
9:30am - 1:00pm		Austin Local Energy Tour <i>(ticket required)</i>	Meet Outside Palmer Events Center: Near Palmer Pond
12:30pm - 2:30pm		ASES Chapter Forum <i>(open to all conference attendees)</i>	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
1:30pm - 4:00pm		Student Symposium with REPowering Schools <i>(Invite Only)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
3:00pm - 4:00pm		Volunteer Training <i>(invite only)</i>	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
3:30pm - 5:30pm		Poster & Exhibitor Set Up	Exhibit Hall 2
4:00pm - 5:30pm		Divisions Forum and Meet & Greet <i>(open to all conference attendees)</i>	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
6:00pm - 9:00pm		Opening Plenary Reception: Accelerating Solar Growth on Local, National, & Global Scale	Exhibit Hall 2

Tuesday, October 20

7:45am - 8:15am		Networking Coffee Connections	Exhibit Hall 2
8:15am - 8:45am		BYOP: Tune In, Test Fast, Scale Smart—A New Playbook for Solar Deployment <i>(open to all)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
9:00am - 10:15am		Plenary: Bill McKibben on Big Lessons on Solar from Texas	Exhibit Hall 2
10:30am - 11:45am		Poster Session 1: Education, Community Impact, and Texas Solar Leadership	Exhibit Hall 2
10:30am - 11:45am		Oral Session 1: Strengthening the Grid with Solar	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
12:00pm - 1:30pm		ASES Awards Luncheon <i>(open to all conference attendees)</i>	Exhibit Hall 2
1:00pm - 3:00pm		NABCEP Course with Sean White: Energy Storage Intensive <i>(ticket required)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
1:45pm - 2:45pm		Plenary Panel: How Data Centers Are Reshaping Energy Demand	Exhibit Hall 2
3:00pm - 3:30pm		For Employers & Professionals: Speed Dating / Career Fair Set Up	Exhibit Hall 2
3:00pm - 4:15pm		Oral Session 2: Expanding Solar Access With Policy and With Communities	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
3:00pm - 4:15pm		Designing Climate and Regionally Responsive Custom Homes <i>(open to all)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5

Tuesday, October 20 (continued)

3:30pm - 5:00pm	☆	Career & Networking Fair <i>(open all attendees & the public)</i>	Exhibit Hall 2
4:30pm - 5:45pm	📺	Oral Session 3: Education for All Y'all	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
4:30pm - 5:15pm	⚙️	What Three Years of IRA Compliance Taught the Solar Industry: Prevailing Wage, Apprenticeship, & the Road Ahead <i>(open to all)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
5:45pm - 6:30pm	☆	Fellows Reception <i>(open to all conference attendees)</i>	Exhibit Hall 2
6:30pm - 9:00pm	☆	ASES Shine On Solar Gala <i>(additional ticket required)</i>	Exhibit Hall 2

Wednesday, October 21

8:00am - 8:45am	☕	Networking Coffee Connections	Exhibit Hall 2
8:00am - 8:45am	☆	Spirit & Sustainability Forum	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
9:00am - 10:00am	🪑	Beyond the Tipping Point: Lessons from Texas on Integrating Supply and Demand	Exhibit Hall 2
10:15am - 11:30am	📺	Poster Session 2: Building Solutions, Grid Resilience, and Emerging Technologies	Exhibit Hall 2
10:15am - 11:30am	📺	Oral Session 4: Solar Trailblazing in Texas	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
11:45am - 1:00pm	🪑	Industry Spotlight Luncheon: Meet the SOLAR 2026 Conference Sponsors	Exhibit Hall 2
11:45am - 1:00pm	☆	Women in Solar Energy Luncheon	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
1:15pm - 2:15pm	🪑	Plenary: Building Resilience for All: The Role of Buildings in a Solar-Powered Future	Exhibit Hall 2
2:00pm - 5:00pm	⚙️	NABCEP Course with Sean White: Energy Storage & the NEC <i>(additional ticket required)</i>	Meeting Rooms 4 & 5
2:30pm - 3:45pm	📺	Oral Session: Emerging Technologies	Exhibit Hall 2
2:30pm - 3:45pm	📺	Oral Session: Building Solutions to the Climate Crisis	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2
4:00pm - 5:00pm	☆	Closing Remarks	Exhibit Hall 2
7:00pm - 9:00pm	☆	Texas Solar Energy Society 50th Anniversary Celebration <i>(additional ticket required)</i>	Exhibit Hall 2

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