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CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS!

Your Project. Your Story. Your Contribution to Design-Build.

Design-Build is a team sport—and the Southeast has some of the best teams in the game. If you've got a story that shows how collaboration, innovation, and smart risk management led to better outcomes, we want to hear it.

DBIA-SE's **2026 Regional Summit** will be held **April 27–29, 2026 in Asheville, NC**. We're inviting Owners, designers, builders, and industry partners to share case studies, lessons learned, and practical tools that advance Design-Build across the region.

Who should submit

- Owner + industry teams (preferred)
- Designers, builders, trade partners, suppliers, and advisors
- Project leaders eager to translate Success into Significance for peers across the Southeast

What we're looking for

Sessions that are candid, practical, and actionable—especially those that:

- Showcase Owner/Industry collaboration and measurable results
- Illuminate delivery choices (DB, Progressive DB, CMAR vs. DB) and why they mattered
- Tackle risk, contracts, and commercial terms without the legalese
- Share teaming & culture moves that unlocked performance
- Reveal preconstruction & validation wins (target value, cost modeling, scheduling)
- Highlight VDC/tech enablement that improved time, cost, safety, or quality
- Cover post-occupancy outcomes and lifecycle value
- Address small/local/underserved business inclusion and workforce development
- Tell the truth about the “messy middle”—what went sideways and how you fixed it

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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- **Format & Length:** 60 minutes total — **50 minutes content + 10 minutes Q&A**
- **Speakers:** Preference given to sessions that include an Owner representative
- **No Sales Pitches:** Educational, non-promotional content only
- **Formats welcomed:** Case study, fireside chat, panel (3–4 speakers max), or mini-workshop

Include the following with your submission:

- Title
- Abstract (maximum of two short paragraphs)
- Speaker bios (2–4 sentences each, including role on the project)

How to submit

Email your proposal to admin@dbia-se.org with subject line “**2026 Summit Presentation Proposal – [Your Session Title]**”.

Deadline: Friday, December 12, 2025 by 5:00 PM ET.

Questions?

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Pro tip: Strong abstracts are Owner-inclusive, outcome-focused, and transparent about challenges, not just the highlight reel.