

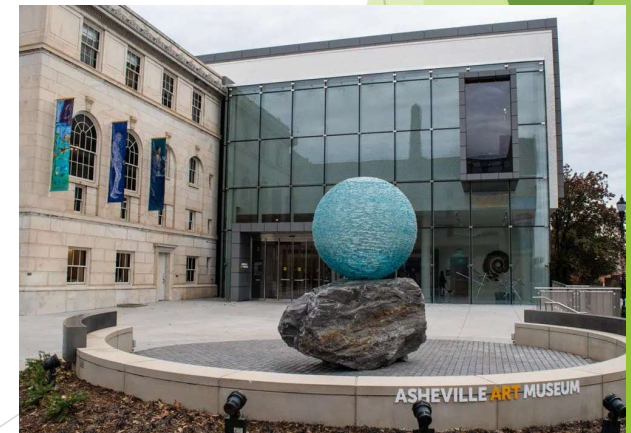
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IEEE 802.1 Interim Meeting Proposal

Asheville, NC

May 2027

Asheville, NC - Gateway to Western NC



About Asheville, NC

- ▶ Mountain city with art galleries, music, food, beer, etc.
 - ▶ <https://www.exploreasheville.com/>
- ▶ Restaurants - Asheville is a foodie city! Great food scene - James Beard winners/nominated chefs, farm to table dining, and a mix of southern comfort, international, and vegan/vegetarian options.
- ▶ And breweries - brewing center of the southeast with over 40 breweries including east coast sites of Sierra Nevada and New Belgium Brewing.
- ▶ River Arts District (RAD) - working studios and galleries along the French Broad River - some recovery after the devastating flooding during Hurricane Helene
 - ▶ <https://www.riverartsdistrict.com/>
- ▶ Get outdoors - Blue Ridge Mountains and Pisgah National Forest
 - ▶ Blue Ridge Parkway - scenic lookouts and short hikes; Mt Mitchell is the highest point east of the Mississippi River
 - ▶ Pisgah National Forest - hardwood forest with whitewater rivers, waterfalls, and miles of trails
- ▶ Biltmore Estate - America's largest home. Built by George Vanderbilt, grounds designed by Frederick Law Olmstead.
 - ▶ www.Biltmore.com

Getting to Asheville

- ▶ Asheville Regional Airport AVL): www.flyavl.com
 - ▶ Distance from Asheville downtown: 19 miles
- ▶ Greenville-Spartanburg, SC (GSP): www.gspairport.com
 - ▶ Distance from Asheville downtown: 70 miles
- ▶ Charlotte, NC (CLT): www.cltairport.com
 - ▶ Distance from Asheville downtown: 123 miles

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- ▶ May weather in Asheville is typically mild. Average daily high temperature is around 74°F (23°C) and average daily low temperature is around 54°F (12°C).
- ▶ Monday through Thursday
 - ▶ If finish at noon on Thursday, will offer box lunches to make it easier to get to the airport to catch late afternoon flights.
- ▶ Meeting Registration
 - ▶ Anticipated meeting fee will be \$650-750 (appx, TBD).
 - ▶ Includes coffee breaks, meeting rooms, AV, and Wi-Fi
 - ▶ Hotel cancellation policy - anticipate 1 month prior (appx 12 April)
 - ▶ Room block - Sunday through Thursday nights
 - ▶ Will additional dates before/after meeting week be needed?
 - ▶ Note, weekend after is already almost booked, so it will be more expensive as meeting rate will not be offered.

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► AC Hotel Asheville Downtown

- <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/avlac-ac-hotel-asheville-downtown/>
- 10 Broadway Street, Asheville, North Carolina, USA, 28801
- Guest rooms - \$189/night plus 6% occupancy tax and 7% city tax (breakfast not included, can optionally add onsite at check-in.)
- \$20 daily parking fee in privately-owned garage at the hotel (not included in room rate)
- Hotel restaurants:
 - Capella on 9 Rooftop Bar a hub of social buzz by night, serving tapas plates
 - AC Kitchen with European-inspired breakfast
- Many nearby restaurants. Asheville is a foodie city!
- And breweries - big craft brew scene

