

2026 WHPA Fall Convention (Tentative)

Thursday, November 5, 2026

3:00 p.m. – Board of Managers meeting
6:00 p.m. – Board Dinner
7:00 p.m. – Finance & Budget Committee
8:00 p.m. – Honey Queen Committee
Other Committee Meetings if needed.

Friday, November 6, 2026

7:30 a.m. – Registration opens
8:00 a.m. – Exhibits/Vendor Room Open
8:00 a.m. – Honey Show Entries Open *due by 10am*
*8:30 a.m. – Call to Order by WHPA President, Tracy Malterer
8:45 a.m. – Introductions of Honey Queen & Candidates – HQ Chair
9:00 a.m. – *KEYNOTE: Dewey Caron*
10:00 a.m. – *Break / Honey Show Entries Close*
10:15 a.m. – **OPEN**
11:15 a.m. – Wisconsin State Apiarist Update – Brooke Nikkila
12:00 p.m. – Lunch (meal ticket required)
1:15 p.m. – Project Apis m Update - John Miller
1:45 p.m. – John Miller: Nuts and Bolts of this Crazy Industry
2:15 p.m. – *KEYNOTE: Dewey Caron*
3:00 p.m. – *Break*
3:15 p.m. – Business Meeting

Supper on your own

6:30 p.m. – Honey Queen Candidate presentations
7:10 p.m. – Honey Queen Fund Auction

Saturday, November 7, 2026

8:00 a.m. – Registration opens
8:10 a.m. – Announcements
8:20 a.m. – Youth Beekeeping Scholarship Presentations- Stephanie Slater
8:35 a.m. – Exhibits/Vendor Room Open
9:45 a.m. – American Beekeeping Federation Delegate Report - Tracy Malterer
10:00 a.m. - Break
10:15 a.m. – *KEYNOTE: Scott McArt*
11:15 a.m. – Presentation by WHPA Honey Queen Emily Skala
11:30 a.m. – Presentation American Honey Queen
11:50 a.m. – Announcements & Door Prizes
12:00 p.m. – Lunch on your own - Silent Auction Closes
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Kids-N-Bees Expo
1:15 p.m. – *KEYNOTE: Scott McArt*
2:15 p.m. – American Honey Producers Delegate Report – James Hillemeier
2:30 p.m. – Norroa Presentation, Eric Walgren
3:00 p.m. – Exhibits/Vendor Room and General Session Closes
3:15 p.m. – Executive Committee Meeting

Social/Free Time

5:30 p.m. – Cocktail Hour
6:00 p.m. – Banquet Dinner (ticket required)
7:00 p.m. – WHPA Awards Presentation, WI Honey Queen Crowning, Then Dance...Get down & boogie!!