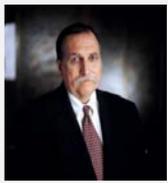


Appalachian GATEWAY COMMUNITIES Regional Workshops

Featured Speakers



Ed McMahon
Senior Resident Fellow on
Sustainable Development & Environmental Policy
at the Urban Land Institute



Ted Eubanks
Founder & President of Fermata, Inc.
Specializing in sustainable recreation and tourism

SAVE THE DATE

Please apply for the workshop closest to you! Both workshops will have similar programs.

Application Deadline: December 6th

Registration Fee: \$500 PER TEAM

Limited Travel Assistance Available!

Southern Regional Workshop

January 14-16, 2014

Heartwood Center

Abingdon, Virginia

Northern Regional Workshop

February 10-12, 2014

National Conservation Training Center

Shepherdstown, West Virginia

The Appalachian Gateway Regional Workshops invite teams of 4-7 members from communities that are the entry points to Appalachia's most important natural assets—national and state parks and forests. **Each team must have one public land manager and one public arts representative.**

Workshops offered in partnership by:

Appalachian Regional Commission

National Endowment for the Arts

The Conservation Fund

National Trust for Historic Preservation

REGIONAL WORKSHOPS FOR APPALACHIAN GATEWAY COMMUNITY TEAMS

This three-day workshop will provide teams with skills to capitalize on opportunities related to sustainable drivers for economic development, cultural heritage and natural resource tourism, arts promotion, and preservation and stewardship of community character.

COMMUNITY LEADERS & CITIZENS:

- ◆ Do you live in a community that borders a national or state park, wildlife refuge, forest or other public land?
- ◆ Is your county deemed "at-risk", "distressed", or "transitional" by the Appalachian Regional Commission?
- ◆ Are you seeking viable mechanisms to jump-start economic growth in your community, especially through the arts?
- ◆ Is your community concerned about losing its unique character and special places?
- ◆ Does your community want a better relationship with the managers of a neighboring public land?

PUBLIC LAND MANAGERS:

- ◆ Are you interested in improving communications and partnerships with nearby communities?
- ◆ Are you feeling the pressures of reduced budgets and changes in visitor patterns?
- ◆ Are you interested in addressing adjacent land issues with nearby communities?
- ◆ Are activities outside of the public land you manage negatively impacting its resources?

If you answered **YES** to any of these questions, consider putting together a community team to attend a workshop!