

Time for the annual AIA Blue Ridge meeting in historic Abingdon, the oldest town west of the Blue Ridge Mountains! It's a great opportunity to spend time with your fellow AIA members and their guests in a relaxed setting.

This marks the thirty-first year for the meeting, which once again will coincide with the first weekend of the Virginia Highlands Festival, one of the Southeast's premier tourist events. The many offerings of the Festival include live music, arts, crafts, and the famous antique flea market.

www.vahighlandsfestival.org

Start the weekend on Saturday with a picnic lunch at the hilltop home of Kate and Jim Parks. Cocktails and dinner at the Martha Washington Inn will be followed by a performance of "The Who's Tommy" at Barter Stage II.

Hear the latest AIA news from representatives of the chapter, VSAIA and the national component at a briefing following breakfast on Sunday,



THIRTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY ABINGDON MEETING: JULY 26/27, 2008

AIA Blue Ridge

William R. White, AIA
1305 Prater Lane
Marion, VA 24354

REGISTRATION FORM

___ person(s) will attend picnic lunch
@ \$12 \$ _____

___ person(s) will attend dinner

Choose entrée:

___ Garden Pasta @ \$30

___ Chicken @ \$35

___ Mahi Mahi @ \$37

\$ _____

___ person(s) will attend Barter Theatre

@ \$30 \$ _____

___ registration fee

@ \$8 per person \$ _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Return with check payable to AIA Blue Ridge
by **Thursday, July 19** to
William R. White, AIA
1305 Prater Lane
Marion, VA 24354

Name (Please list all members of your party)

Firm _____

Address _____

email _____

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, July 26

- 11:30 a.m. Picnic Lunch at the Parks Home,
14198 Hawks Meadow
- 5:00 p.m. Cocktails in the Ballroom of the Martha Washington Inn
- 6:15 p.m. Dinner in the Ballroom
- 8:15 p.m. *The Who's Tommy* at Barter Stage II
- 11:00 p.m. Nightcaps at the Inn

Sunday, July 27

- 7:00 a.m. Breakfast Buffet in the Dining Room
to 8:45 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. Business Meeting and AIA Briefing in the East Parlor
- 11:30 a.m. Enjoy the Festival for the remainder of your stay

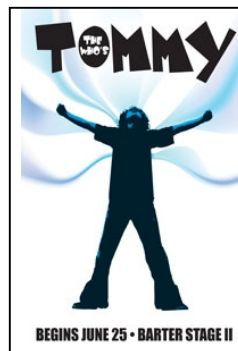


A detail of the 2008 Festival Signature Art by Lee Coburn

BARTER THEATRE

The Who's Tommy by The Who

A full-on rock opera about an amazing journey toward acceptance and understanding. After witnessing a traumatic event, young Tommy Walker goes deaf, blind and mute. Cut off from society, he is ridiculed and taken advantage of until Tommy discovers a talent for pinball wizardry that allows him to break through, propelling him to a miraculous recovery and ultimately to freedom. Featuring "Amazing Journey," "Pinball Wizard," "We're Not Gonna Take It" and many more of The Who's famous songs.



PICNIC LUNCH

Kate and Jim Parks have invited us to have lunch at their home on Saturday, July 26. Peyton Boyd, AIA, designed the house in the early 90's for its previous owners. Large windows and wrap-around decks take advantage of panoramic views from one of the highest spots in the area.



From Abingdon, travel east on Valley Street until it curves hard to the left to become Walden Road. Travel about 2.3 miles on Walden. Go past Cricket on the right. Take the next right onto Hawks Meadow; go to the last house at the top of the hill. *Lost?* 739-0107



MEALS AT THE MARTHA

Breakfast

A breakfast buffet is included in the cost of your hotel room at the Inn. Breakfast will be served in the Dining Room beginning at 7:00 a.m. Attendees who are not staying at the Inn are invited to purchase breakfast in the Dining Room.

Cocktails

Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, drink vouchers will be provided at the registration table, with additional drinks available for purchase.

Dinner

House Salad
Choice of Entrée:
Chicken En Croute, *Pastry filled with chicken*
Mahi Mahi w/ Lemon Herb Crème Fraiche
Garden Pasta *Sautéed vegetable & linguini*
Chef's Accompaniments and Dessert

ROOMS AT THE MARTHA

The deadline for reserving rooms at the Martha Washington Inn is Friday, June 27. The block is listed as "Blue Ridge AIA." Rooms are available for Friday, July 25 and Saturday, July 26. Contact the Inn directly at 276-628-3161.