Electrical Construction Industry Shines Brightly at NECA 2016 Boston

Event draws 5,000 electrical industry professionals and nearly 300 exhibitors; NECA Boston the hosting chapter for industry's largest, most dynamic trade show and convention

BOSTON, MA – The electrical industry's largest trade show and convention, NECA 2016 Boston, was held at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, October 7 to 10. Approximately 5,000 electrical construction professionals from throughout the U.S. attended, gaining a hands-on view of the latest advances in electrical products and technologies. Thousands of solutions NECA contractors use to connect commercial, industrial, healthcare, biotech and educational facilities, as well as infrastructure projects, with the most energy-efficient power, lighting and integrated building systems were on display at the trade show. The 2016 NECA show marks the third time in 10 years that Boston has been the site of the annual national convention, as NECA Boston Chapter served as the hosting chapter.

NECA expo energized by industry's leading manufacturers and service organizations


Educational programs keeping NECA contractors at forefront of industry

NECA 2016 Boston featured a dynamic educational component for electrical contractors, estimators and project managers. Industry experts conducted pre-convention workshops, technical workshops, and management seminars on business practices and building technologies that keep NECA contractors at the forefront of industry. The workshops covered diverse topics, including:

- 2017 NEC Signification Changes; PV as an Integrated Building Solution; Lean Construction; LED Lighting Systems; Energy Efficiency and Beyond; Prefabrication; Electrical BIM Beyond Coordination; Building Intelligence in Electrical Design and Construction; Building Prefabrication Shops; Prefabricated Duct Bank Systems; Low-Voltage Landscape Lighting; Using Technology to Manage an Efficient Construction Workflow; Energy Storage and Microgrid Training Initiative and New Rules for Large Scale PV Systems; Energy Storage Systems and DC Microgrids.
- Safety Roundtable

At NECA's eight annual Safety Roundtable recent updates in OSHA regulations were discussed, including the Final Rule on Silica, the new Safety and Health Program Guidelines and the recent release of Record-keeping and Reporting Requirements. Michael Johnston, Executive Director of Standards and Safety, NECA, and Wesley L. Wheller, Director of Safety moderated.

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Lighthouse Electrical completes Regal Fenway 13 Theater Renovation

BOSTON, MA – Lighthouse Electrical Contracting, Inc., based in Rockland, MA, has completed the renovation of the Regal Fenway Stadium 13 Theater complex at the Landmark Center on Brookline Avenue in Boston. The project was comprised of Lighthouse’s complete demolition and renovation of nine theaters at the Regal Theater complex, as well as electrical installations for the new Regal Fenway theater bar. The scope encompassed installation of motorized recliner seating, new speakers, exit signs, and stair lighting in nine of the Regal Fenway’s 13 theaters. The new Regal Fenway cinema bar features dramatic neon lighting and is equipped with convenience outlets. The contractor also installed new corridor lighting at the complex. Lighthouse Project Manager Scott Sullivan headed the project team, supervising a crew of IBEW Local 103 electricians in the fast-track 4-month project. The NECA Boston contractor worked on the project with general contractor Baker Incorporated of Middleton, MA.

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Glenn Kingsbury, NECA Boston Executive Manager, Inducted into Academy of Electrical Contracting

BOSTON, MA – Glenn Kingsbury, NECA Boston Chapter, Executive Manager, was inducted into NECA’s Academy of Electrical Contracting at the General Session of the NECA Convention in Boston on October 8th. He joined nine Academy inductees from around the U.S. The Academy honors outstanding leaders in the electrical contracting field and utilizes their experience and knowledge to benefit the future of the construction industry. Fellows of the Academy prepare special papers on aspects of electrical construction in which they have special knowledge. They also participate long-range studies that help ascertain the future requirements and direction of the industry. Glenn will serve with three active NECA Boston Chapter colleagues in the Academy’s Jury of Fellows: Thomas Driscoll of E.S. Boulus Company, Paul Guarracino of J.M. Electrical Company, and John Penney of John A. Penney Company. Well deserved and hearty congratulations, Glenn!

NECA Boston/Wentworth Institute of Technology Student Chapter at Green Energy Challenge

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Kristen Gowin, Assistant Manager of NECA Boston Chapter, President Joe McCluskey of E.G. Sawyer, and Michael Monahan, IBEW International Vice President, Second District, welcomed the apprentices, poignantly speaking of the industry’s most in-depth training program, the history of the IBEW and the bright future the industry holds. Michael Callanan, of Michael Callanan Consulting and former Executive Director of the NJATC presented the keynote address on leadership. Also addressing the apprentices on their future careers and trends in the industry were representatives from the NECA Premier Partnership Program – Shane Moll of Milwaukee Tool and Jon Huizenga of Graybar.

Following the workshop, Katie Nolan McCormick, NECA’s Director of Meetings, guided the apprentices in a walkthrough of the trade show floor, where they spent the day gaining firsthand views of, and insights into, the latest technologies and product advancements in the electrical industry.

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The NECA Boston/Wentworth Institute of Technology Student Chapter (left photo) finished 4th among 16 student chapters in NECA’s Green Energy Challenge for their project which featured energy efficiency upgrades at Maurice J. Tobin School in Boston, NECA’s Iowa State University Student Chapter (right photo) won the competition for their energy upgrades at an elementary school.

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