



SEVENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

April 4-6, 2018 | Washington, D.C.
MAYFLOWER HOTEL, AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION
"EXPLORING THE INTERSECTIONS OF INNOVATION"

Preliminary Agenda

For [2018 Conference of the National Academy of Inventors](#) we aim to *explore the fundamental intersections of innovation* that will advance our world into the future. The NAI annual meeting unites innovators and leaders from all disciplines and geographic locations to a venue where knowledge is exchanged and collaborations can thrive through the combined efforts between academia, government and industry.

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Meeting Location: [The Mayflower Hotel, Autograph Collection](#), 1127 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20036

- 8:00 – 9:00 AM **Welcome Breakfast Featuring [Technology & Innovation](#), Journal of the NAI**
- 9:00 – 4:00 PM General Sessions
- 5:00 – 9:00 PM **Signature Gala Event at The Smithsonian American Art Museum**

Thursday, April 5, 2018

- 7:00 – 9:00 AM **Fellow Inductees Private Breakfast and Info Session**
- 8:00 – 9:00 AM Light refreshments provided
- 9:00 – 3:00 PM General Sessions
- 3:00 – 5:00 PM **NAI Fellows Induction Ceremony**
Keynote address by U.S. Commissioner for Patents, Andrew H. Hirshfeld
- 5:00 PM Cocktail Reception at Hotel after Ceremony

Friday, April 6, 2018

- 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM **[Student Innovation Showcase](#)**
Featuring the inventions of outstanding student teams from NAI Member Institutions across all disciplines, to recognize and strengthen the culture of inventorship for the next generation.
- 1:00 PM Conference Ends