



2022 SUMMER FISHTRAP Participant Packet

Greetings Summer Fishtrapper,

Welcome to the 35th Summer Fishtrap Gathering of Writers. For thirty-five years, since the first Summer Fishtrap in 1988, we've chosen a relevant theme to focus our conversations and fuel our writing. Following last year's theme of Resilience, this summer we're gathering around Renewal. You'll find threads of renewal throughout each workshop and event. Plus, we're planning some extra special celebrations honoring people and cultures held dear to Fishtrap and this place. We encourage you to be curious and explore what renewal means for you, for our communities, and the land to which we belong.

Your Summer Fishtrap registration not only includes a weeklong workshop with personal instruction but also craft talks, panel discussions, open mic readings, and breakout sessions all in the supportive Fishtrap community and inspiring setting of Wallowa Lake. We are also continuing our virtual offerings with one remote workshop and plans to record and share other events online.

This packet is full of goodies to help you plan your week at Summer Fishtrap this coming July. You'll find a preview of the schedule, packing suggestions, information about travel and lodging, and more about Wallowa County. Please carefully review everything included so that you are prepared to write, explore, and take it all in at your own pace when you arrive.

Stay tuned for an email coming your way in June with a more detailed schedule including craft talks, panels, and faculty readings. Meanwhile, please reach out with any questions or concerns you have. Our whole team is happy and ready to help.

See you in July!

Shannon McNerney
Fishtrap Executive Director

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Important Notes

Summer Fishtrap takes place at the historic [Wallowa Lake Lodge](#). This location provides many benefits to our writers and guests including its close proximity to Wallowa Lake, hiking trails, camping sites at the State Park, and local attractions. Summer Fishtrappers will have full access to the outdoor deck, lawn, and 24-hour access to the lobby. Rooms and cabins are also available for participants to reserve for the week.



You'll enjoy the large event tent set up on the beautiful back lawn, providing space for afternoon panels, craft talks, and evening events. Morning writing workshops take place at faculty cabins within walking distance of the Lodge.

And of course, [The Bookloft](#) will be back selling faculty books and merchandise.

Meals, Lodging, and Travel

Lodging: Rooms and cabins are available at [Wallowa Lake Lodge](#) and can only be reserved by calling them directly at 541-432-9821 (they cannot be reserved online for Summer Fishtrap week). Accommodations at the Lodge and nearby fill quickly, so we recommend confirming a place to stay sooner than later.

Fishtrap has also reserved two group campsites at [Wallowa Lake State Park](#) that you can reserve through the [Summer Fishtrap registration page](#). These are simple tent camping sites with a bathroom and showerhouse right across the street from the Lodge.

Additionally, the Wallowa Lake area offers many lodging options to fit most any budget from camping and cabin rentals at the lake to motels and B&Bs in nearby Joseph. Check out the [Wallowa County Chamber of Commerce](#) website for more information.

Meals: You have lots of flexibility during the week. Buy the full meal plan at the Lodge or just pick the meals you'd like. The full meal package will be available to purchase ahead of time or at the beginning of the week on site. In addition to full meals, the Lodge will offer a-la-carte choices to mix and match and pay as you go. You are also welcome to bring your own food and dine with everyone in the Lodge.

Ride Share and Room Share: Need a ride to Wallowa Lake? Have extra room in your cabin? Want to connect with other Summer Fishtrap folks early? Join the [Summer Fishtrap Room and Rideshare Facebook group](#) to get in touch with attendees and make arrangements. Don't use Facebook? Just send us a note at info@fishtrap.org with your request and availability. We'll post your message.

NOTE: Transportation to and from Wallowa Lake Lodge will be available for Wallowa County youth workshop participants. Details on drop-off and pick-up times and locations will be available this spring.

2022 Summer Fishtrap Weeklong Schedule

Workshops: Your first introductory workshop is **Monday afternoon, July 11**. Workshops continue 9:00am–12:00pm, Tuesday through Saturday. Youth Workshops conclude on Friday, July 15. Workshops are held at your instructor’s cabin, which is an easy walk from Wallowa Lake Lodge. Let us know if you have any mobility concerns. We can make arrangements to give you a lift.

Afternoon Events: Every afternoon we offer a craft talk, breakout session, or a panel discussion. There is also time for hiking, napping, a dip in Wallowa Lake, and plenty of time to write. You’ll get a detailed schedule on the first day of Summer Fishtrap in our printed program. Daily schedules will be posted each morning in the Lodge lobby.

Open Mic: The open mic is an opportunity to gather and share excerpts of your work-in-progress in a comfortable and supportive atmosphere. Join us Monday through Thursday from 4:30pm–5:30pm. All are encouraged to participate and attend. Look for sign-ups each morning—they fill quickly.

Evening Events: Each evening, we feature our Summer Fishtrap faculty for readings and presentations. Invite your friends and family to attend. These events are free and open to the public. We also have plans to make these available online. This is always a wonderful way to wrap up the day.

Weekend Highlights: Join us Friday, July 15, in celebration of Summer Fishtrap’s theme of “Renewal” with luk’upsimey / North Star Collective, a group of Nez Perce artists, writers, and Indigenous language activists who write and perform in Niimiipuutimt / Nez Perce language, speaking with and from their ancestral homelands of the Wallowas.

Saturday night, July 16, is the 35th Summer Fishtrap Anniversary Birthday party. Look for a full list of events and featured guests this spring.

The following is a brief look at the schedule and Summer Fishtrap event locations throughout the week. Please note these events are subject to change due to evolving COVID guidelines.

Visit fishtrap.org for the latest updates to the schedule. At check-in, you’ll receive a Summer Fishtrap Program that elaborates on the schedule, provides additional maps, and information on activities. Unless otherwise noted, please meet at **Wallowa Lake Lodge** for everything including meals, off-camp departures, and all other scheduled programming.

Monday, July 11

2:00-4:00pm Check-In
4:30pm Welcome & Workshop Orientation
5:30-7:00pm Dinner
7:30pm Opening Program

Tuesday, July 12 – Friday, July 15

7:30-9:00am Breakfast
9:00am-Noon Writing Workshops
Noon-1:30pm Lunch
1:00-3:15pm Youth Writing Activities (youth workshop participants)
1:30-3:00pm Presentations & Panel Discussions
4:30-5:30pm Open Mic
5:30-7:00pm Dinner
7:30-9:00pm Faculty Readings/Fri: Renewal with luk'upsimey / North Star Collective
9:00pm Book Signings

Saturday, July 16

7:30-9:00am Breakfast
9:00am-Noon Final Writing Workshop (adults)
Noon-1:30pm Lunch
1:30-3:00pm Presentations & Panel Discussions
4:30-5:30pm Showcases
5:00-6:00pm Happy Hour
5:30-7:00pm Dinner
7:30-9:00pm Summer Fishtrap 35th Anniversary Birthday Celebration
9:00pm Book Signings

Sunday, July 17

7:30-9:00am	Breakfast
9:00am	Closing Address
11:00 am	Farewell

What to Pack

Dress: Wallowa County weather is unpredictable. July will likely be warm, but you should be prepared for any weather from hot to freezing. Walking shoes or hiking boots, a good warm cap, and rain gear are strongly encouraged. Dressing in layers is often the best option. Evening events take place outdoors under the Big Tent. When the sun goes down, temperatures drop quickly. Be sure to bring a jacket or even a blanket. Summer Fishtrap is nestled on the forested south end of Wallowa Lake, so bring your suit if you like to swim!

Altitude and Sun: Wallowa Lake rests at 4,440 feet. Those of you coming from sea level may feel the effects of the altitude change for the first 24-48 hours. Most likely, you'll run out of breath when climbing up trails, or just feel a little tired. The antidote is to hydrate: drink water and lots of it. Sunscreen is also key!

Digital devices: A laptop or tablet can come in handy but many of our participants and faculty choose to go back to the old days and hand write in a notebook. It's a wonderful opportunity to slow down and be low-tech. WiFi and cell service are not good at Wallowa Lake Lodge. If you do work best on a keyboard, pack a flash drive or external hard drive to save, share, and print files. Have a plan for storing your device when not in use. The Lodge does not have storage lockers and power outlets are limited.

Copy Machine/Printer: We will provide a basic copy machine/printer. This will be a self-service station with limited hours of operation and minimal tech support. Additional printing services are available in Enterprise at [Central Copy & Shipping](#).

Lodge Facilities & Guidelines

Communication: Prepare for limited connectivity at Wallowa Lake Lodge; you can find good connectivity for both phone and internet in nearby Joseph or Enterprise. Cell service is unpredictable for many carriers at the Lodge. Wi-fi is available, but limited.

Getting Around: It's a short walk from the Lodge to the shores of Wallowa Lake. The Wallowa Mountains offer miles of hiking trails and the lake community offers many attractions from the Wallowa Lake Tramway to putt-putt golf. Shopping, restaurants, museums, and art galleries can also be found six miles down the road in the town of Joseph or twelve miles away in Enterprise.

Alcohol: Wallowa Lake Lodge will open their bar from 5:00pm until 7:30pm each evening. Please remember that this is an all-ages gathering with minors on site.

Smoking: Smoking or vaping of any substance is not allowed at Wallowa Lake Lodge. You can puff in public places off property but please keep Wallowa Lake beautiful and discard cigarette butts properly.

Pets: We love our pets but they are not allowed at the Lodge. Some of the nearby cabin rentals do allow dogs. Check with them for availability.

Books: Have you published a book you want to make available at Summer Fishtrap? Our local bookstore, [The Bookloft](#), will have a table featuring titles by faculty, guests, and participants. Contact Becky Wyland for details at manager@bookloft.org.

Music: What would Fishtrap be without music? Bring your instruments. We hope sunny afternoons are filled with melodious voices on the Lodge's beautiful grounds.

Virtual Access

One of this summer's workshops will take place online. This group will meet on Zoom, and have online access to craft talks and other events throughout the week.

We are planning to record afternoon sessions and make them available to paid participants online within 24 hours of the event. Evening readings will be open to the public to attend on site. We also plan to record these and make them available for anybody to view on Fishtrap's YouTube channel within 24 hours of the live event.


Virtual participants will receive detailed information about how to access their workshop and other Summer Fishtrap events, tips for getting the most out of your week, and a taste of Wallowa County in June. We encourage you to get in touch with us at info@fishtrap.org with any questions or concerns about how to access or participate in any part of the week.

About Wallowa County

The connection between the spirit and beauty of the land and the work of Fishtrap are deeply connected. Generations of writers have been inspired by this place.

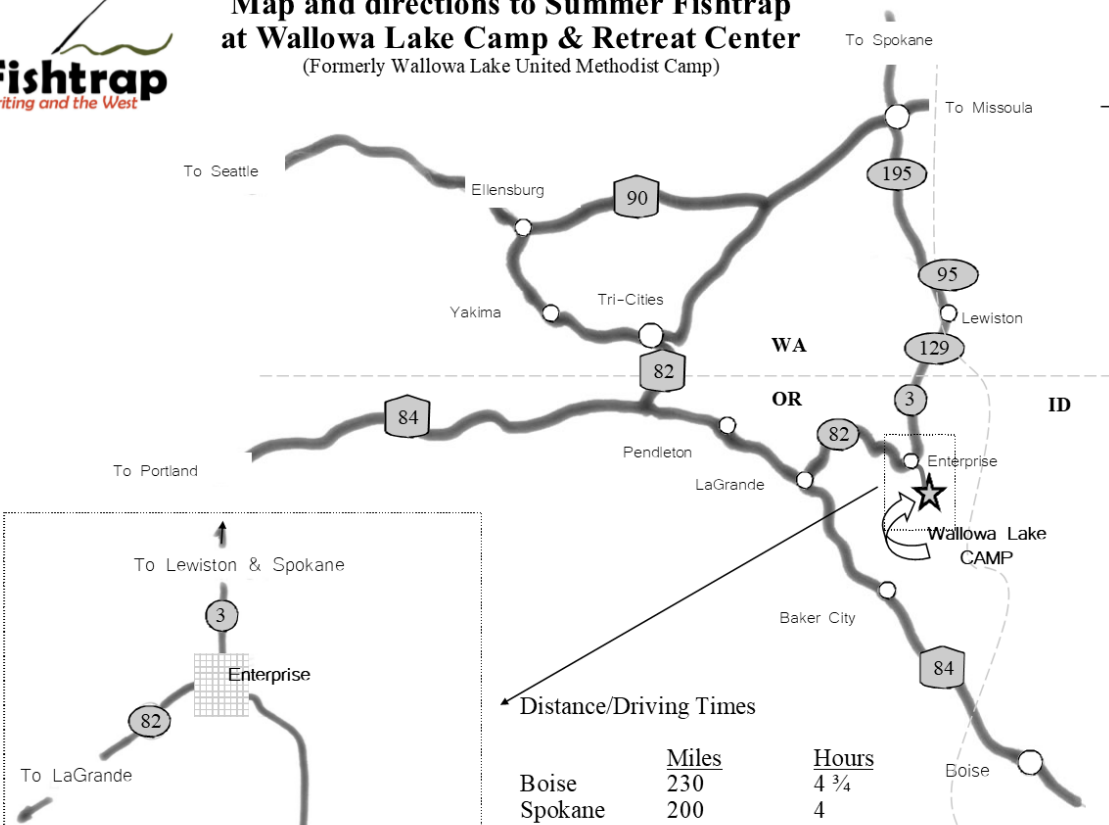
Wallowa County's rich, complex history makes it the place it is today. From the dynamic [natural history](#) of the landscape to the thousands of years of indigenous stewardship and painful colonial history of the [Nimiipuu \(Nez Perce Wallowa Homeland\)](#) to the multi-faceted contemporary community of foresters, ranchers, educators, realtors, doctors, artists, and many more, [Wallowa County](#)'s stories run deep. This is the charmed and challenging place we call home.

Getting to Wallowa Lake



Map and directions to Summer Fishtrap at Wallowa Lake Camp & Retreat Center

(Formerly Wallowa Lake United Methodist Camp)



To Lewiston & Spokane

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Enterprise

82

To LaGrande

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Joseph

To Imnaha

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Wallowa Lake

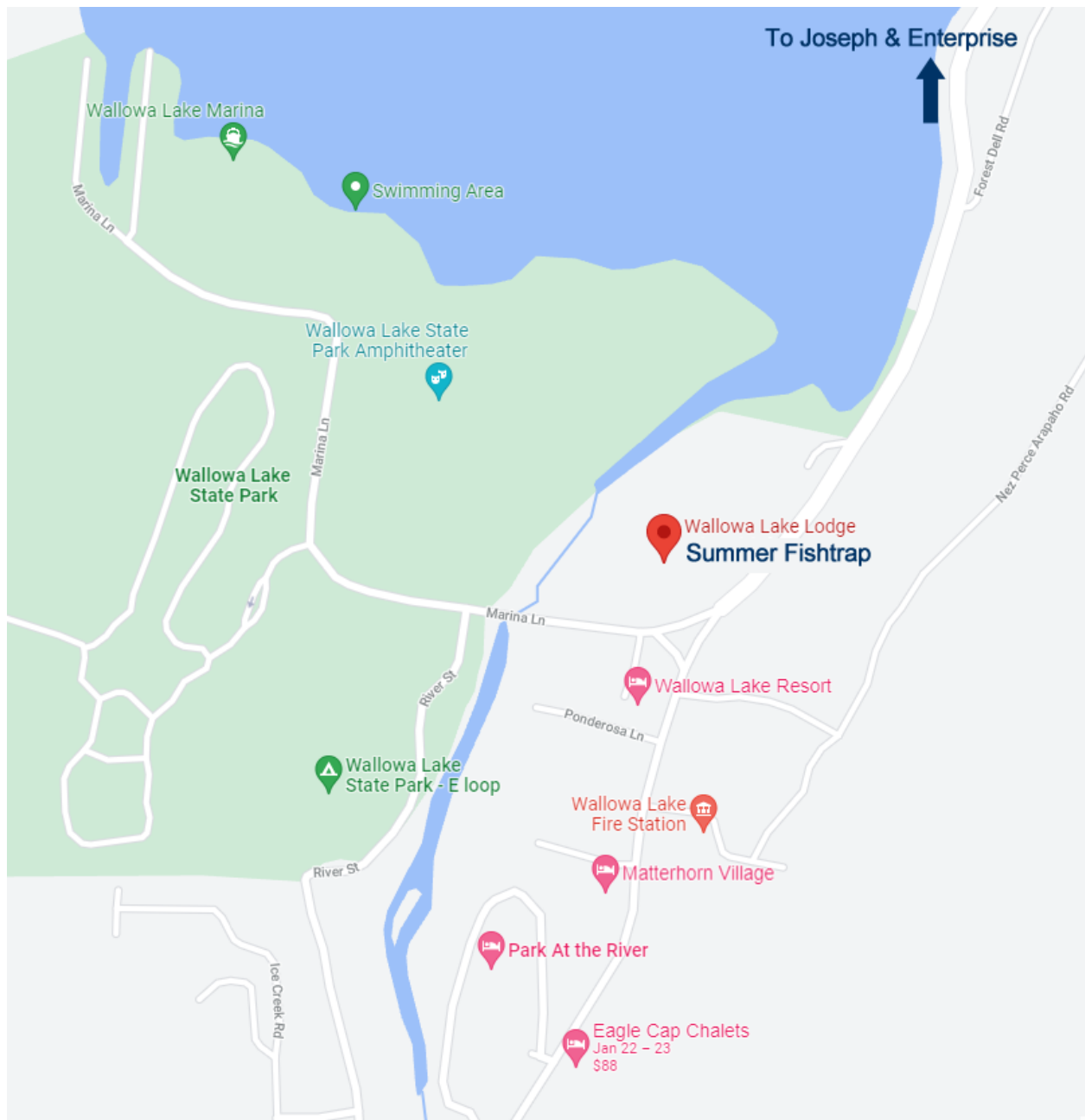
Wallowa Lake Camp & Retreat Center

	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Boise	230	4 ³ / ₄
Spokane	200	4
Portland	320	6
Seattle	365	7
Lewiston	85	2
Pendleton	115	2 ³ / ₄
Tri-Cities	155	3 ¹ / ₂
La Grande	75	2

Directions:

If you are using I-84, you leave the freeway at La Grande and take Route 82 to Wallowa Lake. From Lewiston or Spokane, Route 3 gets you to Enterprise where you pick up 82 to the lake.

Wallowa Lake Camp is located at the head of Wallowa Lake, approximately 6 miles from Joseph. Follow the highway through Joseph, continue along the shore of the lake. Go left at the "Y," past the Tramway, past the miniature golf, and turn right just opposite Vali's Delicatessen (watch for our sign).





Fishtrap Code of Conduct

Revised October 2021

Why a Code of Conduct is Important

Thank you for being a respectful member of the Fishtrap community. Fishtrap is committed to maintaining a welcoming and accountable environment for all who interact with Fishtrap and our programs as we carry out our mission to promote clear thinking and good writing in and about the West. Our staff is dedicated to serving our community near and far with integrity and kindness. We believe all people deserve to participate in our programs free from harm, harassment, and abuse. We invite you to create the Fishtrap community with us, sharing the understanding that we are all responsible for ourselves and must work together to thrive.

Join Us

We ask that you join our efforts to foster a healthy community both online and offline by practicing the following: respect self and others, adhere to applicable laws, embrace anti-harassment*, prohibit sexual misconduct**, and maintain honesty in communications.

Please acknowledge harassment does not include respectful disagreement or critique in good faith. Reading, writing, and other creative pursuits inherently involve risk and exposure to controversial, challenging, and sometimes offensive language.

How to Respond

If you are the witness or recipient of any harmful behavior, please report your experience to any member of the Fishtrap staff, an instructor, or a member of the Fishtrap Board. Whether or not you feel personally affected by harmful or disruptive behavior, reporting your experience and observations helps others who may be affected differently. Reports will be directed to Fishtrap's Executive Director who will follow up on the issue with further conversations, requests to stop the behavior, discipline and possible removal of the perpetrator from the situation. Fishtrap staff, instructors, and Board will maintain confidentiality for all parties involved.

If you are asked to stop harmful behavior by a member of the Fishtrap staff, faculty, or Board of Directors, you are expected to comply immediately. Violating these expectations may be considered retaliation and result in expulsion from the event and/or future programs without a refund, reimbursement or pay. Fishtrap may involve the police or other resources when necessary or requested.

If it is determined that harassment has occurred as defined by applicable law, Fishtrap may hold the perpetrator legally liable for their actions under state or federal anti-discrimination laws or in separate legal actions.

If the Executive Director is the recipient, perpetrator or witness of harmful behavior, the report will be directed to the Board President.

***Harassment** can be based on age, gender, gender identity, pronoun use, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, culture, national origin, religion, body type, personal appearance, physical or mental ability, socioeconomic status, marital status, political activities or affiliation, or any other basis proscribed by local, state, provincial, national, and federal laws and regulations.

Harassment can occur to any person, either in person or through online activities now known or unknown, and involve tactics such as trolling, stalking, using hate speech, threatening, intimidating, falsely accusing, reporting of false grievances, manipulating, or other means.

****Sexual misconduct** can be verbal or physical in nature, and involve behavior such as unwelcome advances, commentary, displays, gestures, inquiries or discussion of sexual activities, orientation or gender identity.

Terms and Conditions

1. Type of Event, Location and Facilities

These Terms and conditions are valid for each attendee registering for the 2022 Summer Fishtrap Gathering, including Yearlong Workshop participants.

2. Registration and Payment

Registration for 2022 Summer Fishtrap opens February 1, 2022. Participants may register online at fishtrap.org or by calling 541-426-3623. Fishtrap accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Transactions are processed securely through the Stripe payment portal.

3. COVID and Public Health

While we are planning for all of us to meet together at Wallowa Lake, we will not put your health or the health of our local community at risk. Should we need to transform Summer Fishtrap into a virtual conference this year, we will announce that decision no later than May 1, 2022.

4. Summer Fishtrap Cancellation and Refund Policy

If for any reason, you need to cancel your plans to attend Summer Fishtrap, our refund policy is as follows: Fishtrap registration includes a \$100 nonrefundable deposit as part of the total fee. Registrants canceling Summer Fishtrap registration by June 1, 2022 will be issued a full refund minus the deposit. Registrants canceling registration from June 2-June 30, 2022 will be issued a 50% refund of the total registration fee minus the deposit. No refunds will be issued after July 1, 2022.

If an individual 2022 Summer Fishtrap workshop is canceled, registrants will be given the option to enroll in another workshop, receive credit for a 2023 Summer Fishtrap workshop, or may receive a full refund, including the \$100 deposit.

In the unlikely event that Summer Fishtrap is canceled, all registrants will have the option to receive a full refund, including deposit, or receive registration credit for the following year's Summer Fishtrap Gathering.

Fishtrap reserves the right to refuse to admit or remove any participant or refuse registration to any participant who may be disruptive to the event. This policy is in place to ensure safety and of all participants, instructors, and staff. Registrants refused admittance at registration will receive a full refund. Registrants removed from Summer Fishtrap while the event is in progress will not receive a refund.

This refund policy covers all fees paid to Fishtrap.

4. Notice of Non-Discrimination

Fishtrap prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, gender, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or age. This policy applies to all Fishtrap administration, activities, and events and will be enforced for all employees, contractors, volunteers, and participants.

5. Photographs/Video/Audio Recordings

Participants are reminded that material presented at Summer Fishtrap is the intellectual property of Fishtrap. As a result, participants are prohibited from recording presentations in their entirety with the intent to distribute to others. The use of personal smart phones, cameras or video devices should be limited to recording snapshots or snippets for personal use, such as taking snapshots throughout the conference venue to support Fishtrap's efforts to convey the excitement of the event through posting on social media.