

## **Information Package**

### **Conference Venue**

The 2008 Argos Users Conference will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel Annapolis, conveniently located off Routes 50, I-97 and 301. The DoubleTree is located within three miles of the Annapolis Historic District, U.S. Naval Academy, and the William Paca House & Garden. Situated on the western side of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, Baltimore and D.C. are only ½ hour away.

### **Accommodations**

A block of rooms has been reserved at the DoubleTree Hotel for conference attendees. To make reservations you may call 1-800-222-TREE, and advise the reservations staff to access the “Argos” block of rooms for the special rate of \$139/night. You may also reserve your room online at [www.doubletree.com](http://www.doubletree.com), using the discount code “CLS”.

The DoubleTree Hotel is a full service hotel with room service, restaurant, lounge, outdoor pool, valet service, fitness center, fax machine, and complimentary parking. Each room is equipped with a data port, iron and ironing boards, hairdryers, coffee makers, complimentary coffee and voice mail. It is adjacent to two major shopping centers and many restaurants. A complimentary shuttle for overnight hotel guests is available within a 5-mile radius of the hotel.

### **Annapolis, The Sailing Capital Of The United States**

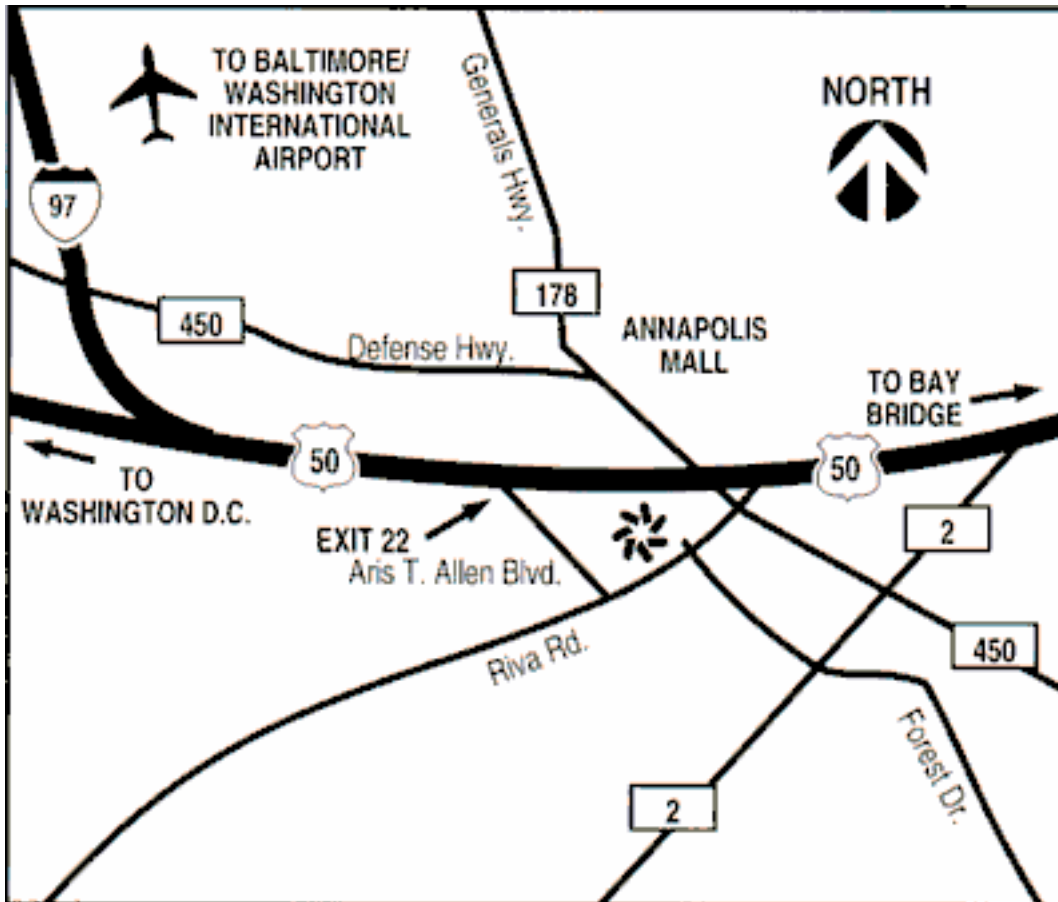
Annapolis today is often referred to as "the sailing capital of the United States". This may be because of the large number of sailing vessels that call Annapolis homeport, or the fact that the United States Naval Academy resides just two blocks from the town dock. It is also home of the world's largest in-water sail and powerboat shows.

Annapolis, the capital of the state of Maryland was first settled in 1649. It has maintained this title since 1694. For nine months it was the capital of the United States. It was here that General George Washington resigned as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Armies, and the Treaty of Paris was ratified, ending the war with Great Britain, and the birth of a new nation.

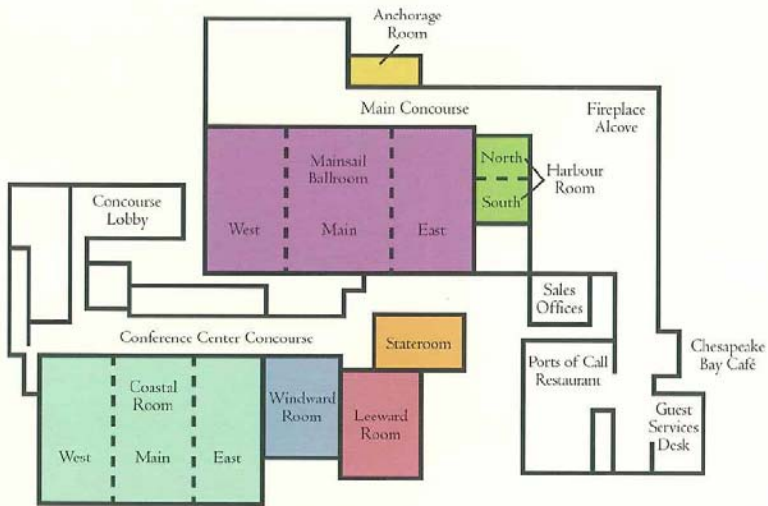
The downtown region offers an ample selection of exquisite waterfront dining and shopping in a historical setting. Many of the local pubs offer music from modern to jazz. Visitors can enjoy art galleries, theatre, museums, walking or boat tours, as well as many festivals. Annapolis is also the home of St. John's College, one of the country's oldest colleges founded in 1696.

## Directions from BWI Airport

From I-97 southbound take Route 50 east to Exit 22 (Route 665 - Aris T. Allen Boulevard). Exit onto Riva Road. Make a left turn onto Riva Road. At the second traffic light turn left onto Holiday Court. From Route 50 west, take Exit 22 and proceed as above.



## Conference Venue Floor Plan



## Conference Hours

### **Monday, 29 September 2008**

Exhibitor Set Up: **Mainsail Main** 6 pm to 8 pm  
 Early Registration: **Harbour Room** 6 pm to 8 pm

### **Tuesday, 30 September 2008**

Registration: **Harbour Room** 7 am to 5 pm  
 Meeting Room: **Mainsail East** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Exhibitor Room: **Mainsail Main** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Refreshment Breaks: Main Concourse AM & PM  
 Hosted Lunch: **Mainsail Main** 12 noon  
 Opening Reception: **Mainsail East & Main** 6 pm to 9 pm

### **Wednesday, 1 October 2008**

Meeting Room: **Mainsail East** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Exhibitor Room: **Mainsail Main** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Refreshment Breaks: Main Concourse AM & PM  
 Hosted Lunch: **Mainsail Main** 12 noon

### **Thursday, 2 October 2008**

Meeting Room: **Mainsail East** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Exhibitor Room: **Mainsail Main** 8 am to 5 pm  
 Refreshment Breaks: Main Concourse AM & PM  
 Hosted Lunch: **Mainsail Main** 12 noon

## **Proceedings**

All conference attendees will receive a free copy of the proceedings on CD-ROM.