

FVMA

operations seminar 2026


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February 18, 2026 | Tampa Convention Center - Tampa, Florida

Tues. Feb. 17			
Time	Event	Location	Sponsored By
5pm-7pm	Pre-FVMA reception/ IAVM Chapter Meet-Up	The Sail Plaza (outside the Tampa Convention Center)	 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF VENUE MANAGERS REGION 5
Wed. Feb. 18			
Time	Event	Location	Sponsored By
7:30am-9am	Check-In/Registration, Breakfast & Networking	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
9am-9:15am	Welcome	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
9:15am-10:15am	<p>Opening Panel Session: Leadership and Capital Planning with Q&A</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allen Johnson, Chief Venue Officer, Orlando Venues • David Ingram, Executive Director, Tampa Convention Center • Joe Jackson, Vice President of Venue & Capital Projects, Vinik Sports Group <p>A discussion on leadership & career development in the venue industry, and strategic insights on planning and capital development.</p>	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
10:15am-10:30am	Break		
10:30am-11:30am	<p>Operations & Event Management Round Table</p> <p>A collaborative discussion on operational challenges, coordination, and opportunities for improvement in how Event Management, Operations, and partner departments work together to drive successful events.</p>	Meeting Rooms 411-414	

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11:30am-12:45pm	Lunch Enjoy an engaging presentation on the history and pageantry of Tampa's iconic tradition, the Gasparilla Pirate Invasion, narrated by José Gaspar.	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
12:45-1:30p	Tour of TCC or Optional Workshop An interactive conversation on venue emergency preparedness, focus on shared experiences and best practices.	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
1:30-1:45pm	Break		
1:45pm-2:45pm	NHL Stadium Series presentation & panel Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Moss, Vice President of Stadium Operations, Tampa Sports Authority • Claire Lessinger, Senior Vice President of Events, Tampa Bay Sports Commission • Travis Pellemounter, Senior Vice President, Ticket Sales & Service, Vinik Sports Group An inside look at the vision, planning, and execution behind the NHL Stadium Series -- one of the most memorable, ambitious and coolest sporting events to take place in Tampa in recent memory.	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
2:45pm-3pm	Break		
3pm-4pm	Closing Session Jeff Philbin – Chef, host, consultant, storyteller.	Meeting Rooms 411-414	
4pm-6pm	Closing Reception	Tampa Riverwalk	

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