

Alberta Aviation Summit

9797 Jasper Ave Edmonton, Alberta T5J 1N9, Canada

May 3 - Sunday

Summit Networking Night

06:00PM - 09:00PM

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Salon 8/9

May 4 - Monday

Limited Seating: Inspiring Leadership, Inspiring Progress: Women Transforming the Future

May 4 - Monday

07:30AM - 08:45AM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Michele Evans

Callie Lissinna

LCol Riel Erickson

Meghan Donohoe, Co-Founder, Pebble

Provincial Greetings (on behalf of Honorable Mike Ellis)

May 4 - Monday

09:09AM - 09:13AM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

MLA Justin Wright

Federal Greetings

May 4 - Monday

09:14AM - 09:18AM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

**Michele Evans, Assistant Deputy Minister, Prairies Economic Development
Canada**

Federal Greetings

May 4 - Monday

09:19AM - 09:25AM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

Felix Meunier, Director General, Civil Aviation, Transport Canada

Your Provincial Council Working for You: One Vision. One Mission

May 4 - Monday

09:30AM - 09:45AM

Hall D

Speakers

Kendra Kincade

AME Competition

May 4 - Monday

09:30AM - 04:00PM

Salon 8/9

One Vision. One Mission

May 4 - Monday

09:45AM - 10:30AM

Hall D

Speakers

Malcom Bruce, Retired CEO, Edmonton Global

Myron Keehn, President & CEO, YEG

LCol Tristan McKee, Commanding Officer, Squadron 401, RCAF

Luc Sabourin, VP, Canadian Operations, Arcfield Canada

Phillipe Poutissou, VP, De Havilland Defence

John Edelman, VP, Business Development, CAE Defence & Security Canada

Municipal Greetings

**May 4 -
Monday**

10:30AM - 10:35AM

Speakers

Andrew Knack

Coffee Break - Recharge Lounge

**May 4 -
Monday**

10:35AM - 11:00AM

Indigenous Industry Partnerships

May 4 - Monday

11:00AM - 12:00PM

YYC Calgary Airport
Room (Room D2)

Speakers

Chelsey Quirk, CEO, Indigenous Tourism Alberta

Carmelita Crisp, Manager, Indigenous Partnerships & Engagement, NAIT

Clifton Cross, Council Member, Frog Lake First Nations

Ryan Fox, Program Manager, Des Nedhe Group Defence

Advancing Aerospace & Aviation Manufacturing in Alberta - How the Ecosystem Can Scale

May 4 - Monday

11:00AM - 12:00PM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Dr. Robert Martinuzzi, Professor, University of Calgary

Chris Pavle, VP, Aeronautical Division, Amtech Aeronautical Limited Ltd.

Dennis Hoepfner, Aircraft Certification Consultant, Upward Aviation Services

Jeff Litster, President, Fidelity Manufacturing

Lunch Break

May 4 -
Monday

12:00PM - 01:15PM

Recharge Lounge

May 4 -
Monday

12:00PM - 01:15PM

Propelling Change: Sustainability in Aviation

May 4 - Monday

01:15PM - 02:00PM

YYC Calgary Airport
Room (Room D2)

Speakers

Dan Juhlin, Principal, Juhlin Remote Pilot Consulting

Chris Lohmann, Energy and Sustainability Strategic Leader, Boeing Canada

Dr. David Bressler, VP, International Innovation & Enterprise, University of Alberta

Logan Jones, Sustainability Officer, Airbus Canada

NAV Canada - Navigating the Future: The Evolution of Canada's Airspace

May 4 - Monday

01:15PM - 02:00PM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Marie-Pier Berman, Vice President & Chief of Operations, NAV CANADA

Investing in Alberta Aviation, Aerospace, & Defence Sectors

May 4 - Monday

02:00PM - 02:45PM

YYC Calgary Airport
Room (Room D2)

Speakers

Elliot Hewitt, Manager, Defence & Aerospace Initiatives, Alberta Region, Prairies Economic Development Canada

Tracey Scarlett, Executive Director, Venture Capital Association of Alberta

Paolo Bomben, Program Director, Aerospace, Defence & Advanced Materials, Alberta Innovates

Brent Jensen, Director, Business Development, Edmonton Global

Thomas Kargacin, Senior Advisor, Manufacturing, Aerospace & Defence Investment, Invest Alberta

Kathryn Ambler, Executive Director, Alberta Aviation, Aerospace & Defence

Technology and the Future of Aircraft Maintenance

May 4 - Monday

02:00PM - 02:45PM

Riverview Room

Speakers

David Nedohin, Co-Founder & Head of Business Development, Scope AR

Ira Laughy, President, Rapid3D Ltd.

Max Schramm, President & CEO, Lufthansa Technik Canada

Nicole Noseworthy, Director, Strategic Growth, HeavyAero Maintenance Centre

PITCH COMPETITION: Emerging Disruptive Technologies

May 4 - Monday

02:45PM - 03:30PM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Magnus Lanoil, AI Strategy Lead, M2M Tech

Leyla Kara, CEO & Co-Founder, Spectra Cann

Remy Samson, CEO, Elementiam Materials and Manufacturing

Myrna Bittner, CEO & Co-Founder, RUNWITHIT Synthetics

Mehran Akhoundzadeh, CEO, Pazh PowerTrain Inc.

Russ Duncan, Managing Director, Sky Hunter Corp.

Behnam Mazdouri, Co-Founder & CEO, Phase Metron

Airports as Economic and Community Enablers

May 4 - Monday

02:45PM - 03:30PM

YYC Calgary Airport
Room (Room D2)

Speakers

Monette Pasher, President, Canadian Airports Council

Myron Keehn, President & CEO, YEG

Rob Bachart, Chief Real Estate Officer, Calgary Airport Authority

Nancy Paish, CEO, Red Deer Regional Airport

Open Tradeshow Time

May 4 - Monday

03:30PM - 04:00PM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Evening Gala Cocktail Hour 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

May 4 - Monday

06:00PM - 09:00PM

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(Hall D)

Evening Gala Dinner & Scholarship Announcements 7:00 PM to 7:55 PM

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06:00PM - 09:00PM

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Evening Gala: Provincial Greetings 7:55 PM to 8:00 PM

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06:00PM - 09:00PM

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Speakers

Honorable Joseph Schow, Minister, Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration (JETI), Government of Alberta

Evening Gala: Emerging Disruptive Technologies Pitch Competition Finale 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM

May 4 - Monday

06:00PM - 09:00PM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

May 5 - Tuesday

Coffee & Tea

May 5 -
Tuesday

08:00AM - 09:00AM

Welcome Back - Opening Remarks

May 5 - Tuesday

09:00AM - 09:10AM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

Kendra Kincade, President & CEO, Chair, Alberta Aviation, Aerospace & Defence

AME Competition (2nd day)

May 5 - Tuesday

09:00AM - 03:00PM

Salon 8/9

Presentation: From Backyard Dreams to Lunar Reality

May 5 - Tuesday

09:10AM - 09:45AM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

Dr. Junaid OOsman, CEO & Founder, Waste Parrot Technologies

Break

May 5 - Tuesday

09:45AM - 10:00AM

Fidelity Lounge in
De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Multi-Use: Where Civil Innovation Meets Defence Reality

May 5 - Tuesday

10:00AM - 10:45AM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Jeff LaFrenz, CEO & Co-Founder, VizworX Inc.

Julian Mulia, Co-Founder, Nanotess

Kim Van Vliet, Founder & CEO, WaVv & ConvergeX

Advanced Air Mobility; Unlocking the Sky for Rural Prosperity

May 5 - Tuesday

10:00AM - 10:45AM

YYC Calgary Airport
Room (Room D2)

Speakers

JR Hammond, Executive Director, Canadian Advanced Air Mobility

Bob Bezpalko, Executive Director, NE Alberta Information Hub

Katherine Ayre, CEO, Cayres Inc.

Phil Kelly, Senior Vice President Business Development, Horizon Aircraft

How Technology is Driving Changes in the Aviation and Multimodal Logistics Space

May 5 - Tuesday

10:45AM - 11:30AM

YYC Calgary Airport
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Speakers

Heather Stewart, CEO, BBE Supply Chain Co.

Syed Hussain, Director, Global Distribution, De Havilland Aircraft of Canada

Alanna Hnatiw, Mayor, Sturgeon County

Dr. Rajbir Bhatti, Associate Professor, Dept of International Business, Supply Chain Management and Aviation, Mount Royal University & Academic Director, Alberta Logistics Center of Excellence, Calgary

Kathryn (Kate) Muhich, VP, Government Services Supply Chain, Boeing Global Services

Airline Operations in a Changing Landscape

May 5 - Tuesday

10:45AM - 11:30AM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Nancy Paish, CEO, Red Deer Regional Airport

Jeff Morrison, CEO & President, National Airlines Council of Canada

**Building the Future Workforce: Aligning Industry Needs
with Talent Development**

May 5 - Tuesday

11:30AM - 12:15PM

Riverview Room

Speakers

Elizabeth Evans, Senior Strategist, Aviation, Mount Royal University

**Jeff Griffiths, Program Director, Alberta Talent Pipeline Management Initiative,
Alberta Chamber of Commerce**

**Jacoby Holder, Specialist, Competitive Intelligence, Calgary Economic
Development**

Nova Andrews, CEO, Elevate Aviation

Open Tradeshow Time

May 5 - Tuesday

11:30AM - 12:15PM

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Lunch Break

May 5 - Tuesday

12:15PM - 01:00PM

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Alberta Cybersecurity Forum 2026: Decision Superiority in the Age of Adaptive AI

May 5 - Tuesday

01:00PM - 01:45PM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

Medaline Hann, Senior Manager, KPMG

Corey Janssen, Co-Founder & CEO, Alta ML

Martin Dinel, Chief Information Security Officer, CyberAlberta and Assistant Deputy Minister, Cybersecurity Division, Ministry of Technology and Innovation of Alberta

Space Superiority and Why it Matters

May 5 - Tuesday

01:45PM - 02:30PM

De Havilland Hall
(Hall D)

Speakers

Chris Robson

Kendra Kincade, President & CEO, Chair, Alberta Aviation, Aerospace & Defence

Callie Lissinna, VP, Strategic Relations & Co-Rounder, Wyvern

Chris Pogue, President, Defence and Space, Calian

Dr. Emma Spanswick, Co-lead of Space and Defence Technologies Alberta, Canada Research Chair Tier II in Geospace Dynamics and Space Plasma Physics and associate professor in Physics and Astronomy, University of Calgary

Colonel Alfred Maynard, Deputy Commander, 3 Canadian Space Division (3 CSD) & Deputy Joint Force Space Component Commander, RCAF

Wrap-Up

May 5 - Tuesday

02:30PM - 02:45PM

De Havilland Hall
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Kendra Kincade, President & CEO, Chair, Alberta Aviation, Aerospace & Defence

AME Awards

May 5 - Tuesday

02:45PM - 03:00PM

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