



COLORADO ASSOCIATION OF TAX APPRAISERS

2025 CATA Annual Conference

Conference Information

Conference Dates: Monday, August 18 – Thursday, August 21, 2025

The CATA Executive Board is excited to return to the beautiful Beaver Run Resort in Breckenridge for the 2025 Annual Conference! We've been working hard to plan this year's event, which will feature a mix of new and returning instructors, a broader selection of educational offerings, and many opportunities to connect with peers from across the state. Breckenridge and the surrounding areas of Silverthorne and Dillon offer a wide range of restaurants, shopping, hiking, and golf. The resort is once again offering reasonable lodging rates — a great opportunity to extend your stay before or after the conference.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to the Colorado Assessors Association (CAA) for their generous contribution to our class budget. Their support helps us keep class fees affordable for all attendees. We're also grateful to the Division of Property Taxation (DPT) for their continued support of CATA and for offering a strong slate of continuing education courses this year.

CATA is pleased to offer an expanded selection of educational opportunities this year. The Appraisal Institute will present two 15-hour Qualifying Education courses, along with an exciting new course on Artificial Intelligence. We're also welcoming back ASFMRA, which will offer a broader range of topics, including Farm & Ranch appraisal, Valuation of Water Rights, Conservation Easements, and Appraising Agricultural Land in Transition. Team Consulting will provide six courses, including a new *From the Boots Up* management course. Additionally, JoAnn Apostol will return to teach two engaging half-day sessions on Wednesday.

Harry Fuller will be teaching USPAP on Monday and Tuesday — this will be his final time offering the course. Steve Kane returns with his always-popular class, and Geoff Lycas will debut a new modeling course titled *Mass Appraisal Using R*. The Commercial Forum is back this year, featuring discussions on recent BAA case decisions, office buildings, and changes in the retail sector. The Residential Appraiser Forum will cover strategies for preparing for higher-level appeals and effective testimony.

The week will be filled with excellent networking opportunities. Hot breakfast will be served on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings to help everyone start the day off right. **Please note:** due to a change in our contract, breakfast will be available for **one hour only — from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.**, so be sure to arrive early. We'll kick things off with a Social Hour on Monday evening, featuring light snacks and a selection of beer and wine. (*Sponsorship for this event is still available.*) Tuesday evening begins with a Happy Hour sponsored by Value West, followed by the CATA Annual Meeting and Banquet. Board elections will take place at the start of the banquet, and exciting door prizes will be given out throughout the evening. Several Executive Board positions are open this year, and we encourage anyone interested in serving to attend. Please remember that any member interested in running must have full support and assurance from their Assessor to allow for the time commitment involved in planning the following year's conference. On Wednesday evening, join us for one last chance to connect at Base Nine Bar — a relaxed and fun environment for more conversation and camaraderie.

As we look toward the future of CATA, we're excited to announce a **Logo Refresh** initiative! After registration closes, we will be sending out a short survey to all members to vote on a new CATA logo. We'd love your input as we modernize and rebrand our organization's visual identity — be sure to keep an eye on your inbox and cast your vote!

A special thank you to John Zimmerman from Value West, Inc., the Appraisal Institute and Tyler Technologies for their support and sponsorship. The CATA Executive Board is actively seeking additional sponsors to help cover the costs of the hot breakfasts and Monday night Social Hour. Thank you all for your ongoing support — we truly appreciate it!

We look forward to seeing all of you in Breckenridge for what promises to be an engaging, educational, and fun-filled week!

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