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From where to pick up your event pass and how to get around campus, to where to eat and what to wear, this guide is your go-to resource for answers about attending the **2022 Aspen Ideas Festival**. We can't wait to see you there!

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TRAVEL & LODGING

DETERMINING YOUR TRAVEL SCHEDULE

HEALTH: June 22-25, 2022

- Registration Begins: 10:00 AM (June 22)
- Programming Begins: 3:00 PM (June 22)
- Programming Concludes: 12:00 PM (June 25)

FESTIVAL 1: June 25-June 28, 2022

- Registration Begins: 12:30 PM (June 25)
- Programming Begins: 3:30 PM (June 25)
- Programming Concludes: 5:00 PM (June 28)

FESTIVAL 2: June 28-July 1, 2022

- Registration Begins: 12:30 PM (June 28)
- Programming Begins: 3:00 PM (June 28)
- Programming Concludes: 3:00 PM (July 1)

LODGING

Hotels in Aspen book quickly, so we encourage Festival and Health attendees to make their reservations early to secure a space that best meets their needs. [See our lodging list](#) for some options, including several Aspen-area properties which have offered discounts for Festival and Health attendees. Please contact the properties directly to book your stay.

If you would like assistance in finding accommodations, we offer access to two Aspen-area travel specialists. Please contact Marcie Cutler with Ski.com at marcie@ski.com or (800) 525-2052 ext. 3321 or Pam Urig with Stay Aspen Snowmass at purig@aspensnowmass.com or (855) 203-4942.

TRAVEL TO ASPEN

We recommend booking your flight into Aspen/Pitkin County Airport (ASE), which is approximately 10-15 minutes from the Aspen Institute's campus and hotels throughout Aspen. During the summertime, direct flights to Aspen are available from Denver, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles and San Francisco. Complimentary airport transportation is included at many of the hotels and should be coordinated directly with the property.

Driving Directions:

- From Denver, Aspen is 220 miles via I-70 West to Glenwood Springs. From Glenwood Springs, take Highway 82 to Aspen.
- A scenic route from Denver is I-70 West to 91 South through Leadville to 24 South, then west onto Highway 82 over Independence Pass.
- From Grand Junction, Aspen is an easy 128 miles. Take I-70 East to Glenwood Springs. From Glenwood Springs, take Highway 82 to Aspen.
- From Eagle/Vail, Aspen is about 70 miles, first on I-70 West to Glenwood Springs, and then connecting with Highway 82 to Aspen.



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LOCAL TRANSPORT

GETTING AROUND ASPEN

The [Aspen Institute's campus](#) (1000 N. 3rd Street, Aspen, CO, 81611) is located about 1 mile from downtown Aspen. The following transportation options are available to help you access event activities and explore town.

Ideas Festival Shuttle: Our shuttle service runs on a continuous loop between downtown Aspen and the Aspen Institute's campus during event hours, making stops at several hotels around town. Details about the stops and schedule will be available on our event app and in your program book.

Bike Sharing: [WE-Cycle bikes](#) are a fast and convenient way to get around. Stations are located throughout town and on the Aspen Institute campus near the Aspen Meadows reception and in front of the Paepcke building.

Bus service: The City of Aspen has a free, city-wide bus system. The cross-town shuttle runs every 30 minutes to and from downtown Aspen to the Aspen Institute campus and the Benedict Music Tent, between 7:54 am and 9:00 pm daily. For more details about public transportation, visit the [Roaring Fork Transportation Authority's website](#).

Parking: There is no parking on the Aspen Institute campus (this includes the Benedict Music Tent parking lot) during the event. Attendees are encouraged to park at the [Rio Grande Parking Garage](#) and take the Parking Garage Shuttle.

If you have special transportation needs, our conference services team is available to assist you (see page 10).



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REGISTRATION & PASSES

LOCATION & VENUES

The majority of the programming for Aspen Ideas: Health and the Aspen Ideas Festival will take place on the [Aspen Institute's campus](#) in open air tents and venues that celebrate the natural landscape. Our four main stage venues will be (1) Greenwald Pavilion; (2) Paepcke Auditorium; (3) McNulty Room in the Doerr- Hosier Center; and (4) North Star Tent. A campus map will be available in your program book and on our mobile app (see page 7).

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

You will check-in at the Ideas Pavilion, which is located in the Paepcke parking lot outside of Paepcke Auditorium, to receive your pass, gift bag, program book, and additional event information. Registration hours:

HEALTH	Wednesday, June 22, 10:00 AM–5:00 PM, then daily 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM
FESTIVAL 1	Saturday, June 25, 12:30 PM–6:00 PM, then daily 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM
FESTIVAL 2	Tuesday, June 28, 12:30 PM–6:00 PM, then daily 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM

ACCESS

Your pass must be worn at all times when you are on the Aspen Institute campus and attending event programming. Health, Festival 1, and Festival 2 attendees will have access to the programming for their designated event segment, including plenaries, breakouts, book talks, evening sessions, special activities, and more. Seating in the venues is on a first come, first served basis. Please plan to arrive early to the sessions you are attending, as seats fill up quickly and latecomers can be disruptive and distracting to speakers.

Do you have a friend or family member who doesn't have a Festival pass and wants to attend an in-town session? Limited public tickets for in-town sessions go on sale in mid-June 2020 at the Wheeler Box Office.



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PROGRAMMING

PROGRAM TRACKS

Aspen Ideas: Health, Festival 1, and Festival 2 will each be organized around compelling themes that speak to this unique moment in history. Learn more about the Health and Festival program tracks to get a sense of the topics we'll explore during the events.

HEALTH

- Hope
- Disruption
- Get Smart
- Influence
- Pleasure
- Security
- Voices and Viewpoints

FESTIVAL 1 & FESTIVAL 2

- Heat
- Power
- Connection
- Trust
- Money
- Beauty

SPEAKERS & AGENDA

The Aspen Ideas Festival and Aspen Ideas: Health are known for bringing together an exceptional mix of visionary thinkers and innovative doers across a range of disciplines and viewpoints. Our 2022 speaker line-ups will be announced the first week of May, with some additional speaker confirmations and announcements happening right up until the event. Please keep an eye on your inbox and on our website for the latest speaker news.

The full agendas for Health, Festival 1, and Festival 2 will be released in mid-June. You will receive an email, as well as be able to access the agendas on our website, on our mobile app, and in the program book you receive on-site.

Attendees of all three event segments will be able to choose from a wide range of activities and sessions from sun-up to sun-down, including dozens of main stage conversations, breakout sessions, book talks and signings, film screenings, yoga, guided nature walks, receptions, and so much more!



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STAY CONNECTED

MOBILE APP

The 2022 Aspen Ideas mobile app will be released in mid-June. Available on iOS and Android, it will be your go-to guide for your on-the-ground Festival experience, including agenda updates, speaker information, maps, underwriter exhibits, and much more. We will send instructions to attendees via email when the app is ready to download and recommend doing so before arriving in Aspen. Please allow push notifications, as we will use these to give real-time schedule and programming updates. An onsite Help Desk will be available in the Ideas Pavilion for those who need assistance.

WEBSITE

The [Aspen Ideas website](#) is the digital hub for the event, providing attendees with information on our program tracks, speakers, agenda, and sessions. Within 48 hours of Health, Festival 1, and Festival 2, all sessions recordings will be live on our website and YouTube channel. We encourage you to watch sessions you may have missed in-person and share links to your favorites via social media.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Help extend the reach of your favorite big ideas from the Aspen Ideas stages to social media! To join the virtual conversation around the events, we encourage you to follow our primary accounts for the Festival below and post your own reflections using the event hashtags.

Twitter: [@aspenideas](#)

Instagram: [@aspenideas](#)

Facebook: [Aspen Ideas Festival](#)

LinkedIn: [The Aspen Institute](#)

Event Hashtags: In addition to tagging the account above in your social messages, please use the following hashtags:

HEALTH: [#AspenIdeasHealth](#)

FESTIVAL 1 & FESTIVAL 2: [#AspenIdeas](#)

PODCAST

Subscribe to the [Aspen Ideas To Go](#) podcast on your favorite service for highlights from Aspen Ideas: Health and the Aspen Ideas Festival. New episodes, featuring conversations from the events, will be released in the weeks and months following.



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DINING & ACTIVITIES

DINING

Attendees will have access to a range of delicious and nutritious food and beverage options on the Aspen Institute's campus during the events, including breakfasts, lunches, snacks, coffee carts, and water stations. Designated times and locations for these dining options will be highlighted in your program book and on the mobile app.

For dinners and other off-campus dining, please visit the [Aspen Chamber](#) website to learn about local restaurants in downtown Aspen.

ALTITUDE, WEATHER, & ATTIRE

Aspen is a walking city situated nearly 8,000 feet above sea level. Check out the Aspen Chamber's [Tips for Getting Adjusted to the Altitude](#) to help you acclimate.

Weather can range from highs in the 80s to lows in the 50s during the summer. Cool evenings and afternoon thundershowers are common. Festival attendees dress comfortably, yet professionally (aka: "Aspen Casual"). We highly recommend layering, bringing a light jacket, and wearing comfortable shoes to help you get around campus and town. If you plan to participate in morning yoga and guided nature walks, please pack accordingly.

ASPEN ACTIVITIES

We encourage attendees to explore all that Aspen has to offer during their downtime. Visit the [Aspen Chamber](#) website to find popular recreational activities and attractions. For information about the surrounding mountains, visit the [White River National Forest](#) website.

JOIN THE SOCIETY OF FELLOWS

The Society of Fellows is a community of supporters who play a key role in sustaining the Aspen Institute's mission, expanding its programs, and ensuring its future. To find out more, [visit their website](#).



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HEALTH & SAFETY

COVID PROTOCOLS

The Aspen Institute regards the health and safety of Festival staff and attendees as our highest priority. Under [our current COVID-19 protocols](#), all attendees at Aspen Institute in-person events will be required to show they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, OR, if they are exempt from this requirement or do not wish to upload their status, take a COVID-19 rapid test on-site or upload a negative result within 24 hours of entry. Staff and vendors working the event will be covered by the same requirements.

Details on how to share your vaccination status will be provided closer in late May. The Aspen Institute is also monitoring the latest CDC and local public health guidance regarding masking and other mitigation strategies and will keep attendees updated on any necessary changes to our event protocols.

COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

The Aspen Institute is dedicated to advancing a free, just, and equitable society. Consistent with that mission, the Institute is committed to creating a safe and vibrant community that is respectful, inclusive, and welcoming to people from all different backgrounds and across the world. We recognize people will have different viewpoints and perspectives. However, only when we treat people with mutual respect and dignity can we truly come together to share a free and open exchange of ideas. So we offer this [Community Agreement](#) as a code of conduct to help stakeholders understand what we expect for them when they are engaging with the Institute community, as well as to guide them on what does not belong. If we all follow this [Community Agreement](#), we can ensure everyone feels empowered to participate and further promote intellectual growth and curiosity.



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QUESTIONS.

CONFERENCE SERVICES

If you have additional questions about attending Aspen Ideas Festival or Aspen Ideas: Health, our Conference Services team is available to help. Please contact us via email (events@aspeninstitute.org) and someone from our team will get back to you within one business day.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Should you not be able to attend, please contact Morgan Walsh (morgan.walsh@aspeninstitute.org) to request a refund, per our policy. Written requests are required and will be credited as follows:

- **Before June 1, 2022:** 80% refund
- **June 1-15, 2022:** 50% refund
- There are **no refunds after June 15, 2022**

LOST AND FOUND

Lost and found is located at the reception desk in the Paepcke lobby outside Paepcke auditorium.