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FGIA to Cover Canadian Topics at FGIA Summer Conference, FENBC Region Members Invited to Exclusive Access June 14

SCHAUMBURG, IL – Several topics and sessions will be specific to Canada at the [Fenestration and Glazing Industry Alliance (FGIA) 2023 Summer Conference](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lVePg5ZjFnk) taking place June 12-15 in Vancouver, BC, including a full day of access for members of the [FGIA FENBC Region](https://fgiaonline.org/pages/fenbc-region). Canadian-specific topics include the National Building Code of Canada’s goal related to the Path to Net-Zero Houses by 2030 and its impact on fenestration as well as ways to leverage window replacement rebates in BC with qualified installers.

“FGIA is pleased to be in British Columbia for many reasons, but especially because of our new FENBC Region, which provides critical access to information impacting companies in BC and throughout Canada,” said Janice Yglesias, FGIA Executive Director. “Join FGIA for either one-day access on June 14 or for the entire conference. Either will be worth your time.”

**Path to Net-Zero Houses**

As the [National Building Code of Canada](https://nrc.canada.ca/en/certifications-evaluations-standards/codes-canada/codes-canada-publications/national-building-code-canada-2020) (NBC) is working toward net-zero houses for 2030, Natural Resources Canada has challenged the fenestration industry to meet their aspirational goal of windows with U-values of 0.82 W/m2K (0.14 BTU/hr\*ft2\*F) or less for 2030.

This session, led by Jeff Baker, a fenestration energy analysis expert with [WestLab](https://www.westlab.com/), will provide updates on the work done for [Natural Resources Canada](https://natural-resources.canada.ca/home) (NRCan) to review the currently available products that would achieve different performance levels on the path to 2030 net-zero houses, the proposed targets for the NBC Tier 5 prescriptive compliance path in the 2025 code, and what it will take in different window types to meet these targets. In addition, FGIA Director of Canadian and Technical Glass Operations, Amy Roberts, will lead a separate presentation on the latest in Canadian code developments.

**Leveraging Window Replacement Rebates**

Sponsored by the [FGIA Residential Products Council](https://fgiaonline.org/committees/RPC), this informative and potentially lucrative session will give residential window manufacturers an overview of window replacement rebate programs available in BC which allow companies to leverage financial incentives within the sales process. The CleanBC program in particular requires the use of a [Home Performance Contractor Network](https://homeperformance.ca/home-performance-contractor-network/) (HPCN) installer to do the work, netting companies dollars in the form of stackable rebates. Learn why and how this program and information are important and gain an understanding of its high relevance to manufacturers.

Presenter Greg Bloom is the Manager of Industry Relations with the [Home Performance Stakeholder Council](https://homeperformance.ca/) (HPSC), an organization in British Columbia that FENBC was previously partnered with to provide a fundamentals-level training manual and exam to qualify residential window and door installers focused on retrofit applications. The FGIA FENBC Region is continuing that partnership, educating the industry on the program’s availability and helping the program to grow.

**FENBC Region One-Day Access**

FGIA FENBC Region members are invited to exclusive in-person access to industry experts covering these Canadian-focused topics, plus bird-friendly glazing designs and standards, a hands-on workshop of glass cutting and washing and more valuable content throughout the day. Registration includes breakfast, lunch and an evening reception where regional members can expand their networking outreach. Register now for this unique [in-person only experience](https://fgiaonline.org/events/323/fgia-fenbc-region-exclusive-one-day-access-june-14-in-person-only).

Separate registration is required if not already registered for the full conference. The fee for FGIA FENBC Region Exclusive Access is $288.75 CAD per person and includes 5 percent GST. This is significantly reduced from the full conference registration fee, starting at $918.75 USD per person. If regional members would like to attend the entire conference and benefit from the expert speakers, committee sessions and additional networking, the full conference registration fee includes the FGIA FENBC Region Exclusive Access. To register, complete a [registration form](https://aama-public.s3.amazonaws.com/event/2023_Summer/Forms/FGIA_2023SummerConf_FENBCRegionExclusiveEvent.pdf) and submit it to [Meetings@FGIAonline.org](mailto:Meetings@FGIAonline.org).

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