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**Early Bird Registration Now Open for 2019 Joint AAMA, IGMA Summer Conferences**

Schaumburg, Illinois -- Registration is now open for the 2019 Joint American Architectural Manufacturers Association (AAMA) and Insulating Glass Manufacturers Alliance (IGMA) Summer Conferences, to be held June 17-20, 2019, in Victoria, British Columbia. The early bird rate is guaranteed through May 17, and attendees are encouraged to [register](https://aamanet.org/events/225/2019-joint-aama-and-igma-summer-conferences#registration) before this date. Because this is a combined AAMA and IGMA conference, only one registration fee per attendee is required. All registrations will be processed through AAMA.

Keynote Speaker Dr. Patrick Moore, an ecologist and environmentalist, will deliver an address titled, “Sustainability, Energy and the Future,” which will cover environmental factors impacting the fenestration industry. Moore began his career as an activist and leader in the Greenpeace movement. Today, he concentrates on collaborative efforts aimed at finding environmental solutions. Moore believes in the multi-stakeholder, consensus-based approach to resolving conflicts involving environmental, social and economic issues.

Mike Burk, North America Technical Representative for [Sparklike](https://www.sparklike.com/en/), will lead a presentation as Chair of the IGMA Glass Safety Awareness Council. His session will discuss incidents and near misses, safety equipment, Occupation Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and other regulatory agency updates and more. Burk has worked in the technical and training areas of the insulating glass industry for more than 25 years.

Aiñe Curran, President and CEO of the [Vinyl Institute of Canada](https://vinylinstituteofcanada.com/), will provide an update on the Vinyl Institute of Canada, including information on the political climate in the country regarding plastics as well as other potential impacts to the industry. She also will give an overview of the *Environmental Performance Agreement on Tin Stabilizer* with Environment and Climate Change Canada, which impacts all manufacturers of rigid window profiles in the country.

Oak Moser, a senior management professional with experience in leading and coaching teams, will host the Leadership Development Program, focusing on inter-personal skills such as listening, assessing and showing empathy. Those attending can learn to improve their understanding and ability to build stronger connections and influence people of all personality styles.

Optional events at the conference will include whale watching, a trip to Butchart Gardens and a scavenger hunt followed by dinner. Spouses attending the conference also are invited to an optional tea at the hotel. Separate registration for all optional events is required.

More information about AAMA and its activities can be found via the AAMA website, [aamanet.org](https://aamanet.org/).

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