

# NCIA'S

# 2019 SPONSORSHIP & EVENTS PROSPECTUS: Growing Your Business and Our Industry

Elevate your cannabis brand while advancing the industry we are building together.

ADVOCACY.

**EDUCATION.** 

COMMUNITY.

## **NETWORKING WITH A PURPOSE**

New events are entering the cannabis marketplace every day and it's increasingly important for successful businesses to focus on only those events that truly deliver return on investment and provide lasting value.

NCIA events have a **proven track record** of delivering immediate ROI to our sponsors and exhibitors who also enjoy the peace of mind of knowing their sponsorship dollars are used to further advance the industry's policy priorities in Washington, D.C.

No other events program in the cannabis industry delivers both brand awareness and political influence at the same time like the one NCIA is proud to offer exclusively to our members.

## WHO YOU WILL MEET

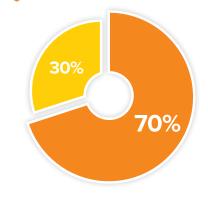
- Top cannabis industry executives
- Dispensary owners and cultivation operators
- Infused product manufacturers
- Prominent consultants
- Cannabis legal experts
- Policymakers
- State and local government representatives
- Regulators
- Investors
- Entrepreneurs
- Suppliers and vendors
- NCIA staff and executives



### NCIA'S EVENTS ARE DIFFERENT. AND, THAT MATTERS.

- All event revenues support the work NCIA is doing to lobby on your behalf on Capitol Hill and to build public support for the cannabis industry.
- NCIA is a well-established organization with IRS-granted nonprofit status since 2010 with financial records available to any member upon request.
- 75% of your sponsorship fees are tax deductible and all proceeds support the industry's only unified and coordinated national lobbying and public relations campaign.

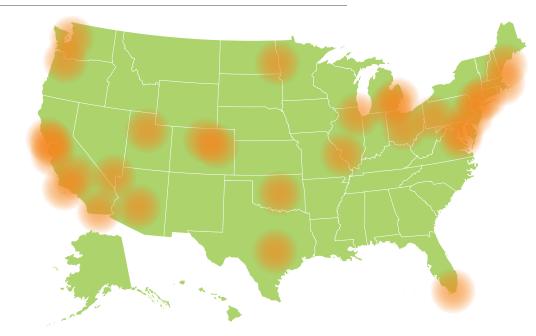




70% Executive level decision making authority
30% Heavy influence over decision making process



## **2019 EVENT CALENDAR**



### **CANNABIS CAUCUS SERIES**

#### **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

- San Francisco | March 12
- Oakland | June 18
- San Francisco | September 10

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

- Los Angeles | March 14
- San Diego | June 20
- Los Angeles | September 12

### **INDUSTRY SOCIALS**

#### WEST COAST TOUR

- Seattle | January 15
- Portland, OR | January 17
- Las Vegas | January 22
- Phoenix | January 24

#### Salt Lake City | January 29

### CANNABIS INDUSTRY LOBBY DAYS

### 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY LOBBY DAYS

• Washington, D.C. | May 21–23

### **TRADE SHOWS**

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL SEED TO SALE SHOW

Boston | February 12–13

#### COLORADO

- Denver | March 19
- Boulder | June 11
- Denver | September 17

#### MIDWEST

- Lansing | March 21
- Columbus | June 25
- Ann Arbor | September 19

### EAST COAST TOUR

- Portland, ME | April 9
- Jersey City | April 11
- Pittsburgh | April 16
- Baltimore | April 18
- Miami | April 30

#### NORTHEAST

- Philadelphia | March 26
- New York | June 27
- Boston | September 24

#### **HEARTLAND TOUR**

- Minneapolis | August 13
- Chicago | August 15
- Saint Louis | August 20
- Oklahoma City | August 22
- Austin | August 27

## 6TH ANNUAL CANNABIS3RD ANBUSINESS SUMMIT & EXPOCANN

San Jose | July 22–24

#### 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CALIFORNIA CANNABIS BUSINESS CONFERENCE • Long Beach | October 8–9



## **CANNABIS CAUCUS SERIES**

Cannabis Caucuses are the premier B2B networking and educational event series created exclusively for NCIA members. Participants have the opportunity to make meaningful connections with industry leaders, while gaining insights into NCIA's federal policy work.



## **2019 EVENT SERIES**

#### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

San Francisco | March 12 Oakland | June 18 San Francisco | September 10

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

Los Angeles | March 14 San Diego | June 20 Los Angeles | September 12

#### COLORADO

Denver | March 19 Boulder | June 11 Denver | September 17

#### MIDWEST

Lansing | March 21 Columbus | June 25 Ann Arbor | September 19

#### EAST COAST

Philadelphia | March 26 New York | June 27 Boston | September 24

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES	<b>PLATINUM</b> \$4,500	GOLD \$2,400	<b>SILVER</b> \$1,000	BRONZE \$650
	2 SPONSORS / EVENT	3 SPONSORS / EVENT	3 SPONSORS / EVENT	4 SPONSORS / EVENT
BENEFITS DURING EVENT				
Complimentary tickets to event	10	8	8	5
Space/Table Space on site	10x10 space	6x6 space	6x6 space	Shared space
Sponsor-provided free-standing banner near bar or food area	*	*	*	*
NCIA staff recognition during address to attendees	*	*	*	*
Dedicated slide in event slideshow presentation	*	*	*	
Sponsor provided banner pop-up near stage or registration	*	*	*	
On-site signage thanking sponsor	*	*		
1-2 minutes to address attendees at event	*			
BENEFITS BEFORE & AFTER EVENT				
Logo and website link on event landing page	*	*	*	*
Logo and website link in email campaigns	*	*	*	*
Logo inclusion in post-event email to attendees	*	*	*	*
Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and Linkedin post pre-event	*	*	*	
Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and Linkedin post post-event	*	*	*	
Logo on Facebook event cover photo	*	*	*	
Logo on official event photo album	*	*		
Standalone pre-event email to all NCIA contacts in region	*			
Logo and website link on event ticketing page	*			



## NEW IN 2019 INDUSTRY SOCIALS

Industry Socials are an opportunity for industry leaders to engage with each other and with their national trade association in a relaxed and low-key environment while developing lasting business relationships.



## **2019 EVENT SERIES**

#### WEST COAST TOUR

Seattle | January 15 Portland, OR | January 17 Las Vegas | January 22 Phoenix | January 24 Salt Lake City | January 29

#### EAST COAST TOUR

Portland, ME | April 9 Jersey City | April 11 Pittsburgh | April 16 Baltimore | April 18 Miami | April 30

### **HEARTLAND TOUR**

Minneapolis | August 13 Chicago | August 15 Saint Louis | August 20 Oklahoma City | August 22 Austin | August 27

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES	<b>PLATINUM</b> \$3,500	<mark>GOLD</mark> \$1,750	<b>SILVER</b> \$950	<b>BRONZE</b> \$500
	1 SPONSORS / EVENT	3 SPONSORS / EVENT	3 SPONSORS / EVENT	4 SPONSORS / EVENT
BENEFITS DURING EVENT				
Unlimited client ticket pass discount (% off)	75%	50%	25%	15%
Complimentary tickets to event	12	10	8	5
NCIA staff recognition during address to attendees	*	*	*	*
Sponsor-provided free-standing banner near bar or food area	*	*	*	*
Table and exhibit opportunities on site	*	*	*	
Dedicated slide in event presentation or signage on site	*	*		
Sponsor provided banner pop-up near registration table	*	*		
BENEFITS BEFORE & AFTER EVENT				
Twitter, Facebook and Instagram shout-outs leading up to event	*	*	*	*
Facebook post on event page	*	*	*	*
Logo and website link on event ticketing page	*	*	*	*
Company logo and website link on NCIA website	*	*	*	*
Listing in post-event email to attendees	*	*	*	*
Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram shout-out after event	*	*	*	*
Logo and website link in email campaigns	*	*		
Logo and website link in post-event email	*			
Logo on Facebook event cover photo	*			
Standalone pre-event email to all NCIA contacts in region	*			



## 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY LOBBY DAYS

Our most impactful annual event brings over 300 cannabis industry professionals to Washington, D.C. to tell their stories and urge their representatives to fix the unfair federal policies crippling our industry. At Lobby Days, NCIA members gather to amplify our message and make their voices heard in the halls of Congress, while simultaneously forging strong relationships with the most influential leaders in the cannabis industry.

### 2019 LOBBY DAYS

NCIA'S 9<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY LOBBY DAYS Washington, D.C. | May 21–23



	SOLD OUT!		
SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES	<b>GOLD</b> \$10,000	<b>SILVER</b> \$5,000	<b>BRONZE</b> \$2,500
	4 SPONSORS / EVENT	8 SPONSORS / EVENT	8 SPONSORS / EVEN
BENEFITS DURING EVENT			
Complimentary registration to Lobby Days (member companies only)	12	10	8
Complimentary registration to NCIA-PAC Fundraising Reception	4	2	2
Dedicated space for free-standing banners in prominent locations at Lobby Days Welcome Reception, Breakfast Training and PAC Fundraiser	2	1	1
Recognition by NCIA staff member from stage at all Lobby Days events		*	*
Shared table for marketing materials at Welcome Reception and Breakfast Training	*	*	*
Table and exhibit space at PAC Fundraising Reception	*	*	
Logo featured in Breakfast Training presentation	*	*	
Logo on Lobby Days tote bags	*	*	
Literature and/or product insert Lobby Days tote bags	*	*	
Logo on Step & Repeat at NCIA-PAC Fundraising Reception	*	*	
Logo Featured in NCIA Lobby Days mobile app	*		
Logo on 116th Congress Directory provided to Lobby Days Attendees	*		
Logo on name badge lanyards	🚽 🖌 🖌		
BENEFITS BEFORE & AFTER EVENT			
Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedInposts pre-event	4	2	1
Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and Linkedin posts post-event	*	*	*
Logo and website link on NCIA website	*	*	*
Logo and website link on all email marketing	*	*	*
Logo and website link on post-event email to attendees	*	*	*
Custom sponsor graphics for social media sponsor announcement	*	*	*
Logo featured in pre-Lobby Days training webinar presentations	*	*	*
Logo on professional photography, includes "class photo" at the Capitol	*		
Logo on Facebook event page cover photo	*		
Logo and website link on NCIA-PAC page	*		



## **3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL SEED TO SALE SHOW:** LEADING INNOVATION IN THE INDUSTRY

## 2019 SEED TO SALE

NCIA'S 2019 SEED TO SALE SHOW Boston, MA | February 12–13

Seed to Sale Show is the only national show focused solely on innovative best practices, science, and cutting-edge technology surrounding the whole life cycle of the cannabis plant grown, processed, and sold in a regulated market.

## 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CANNABIS BUSINESS SUMMIT & EXPO: CULTIVATING A NEW ERA OF ENTERPRISE

## 2019 SUMMIT & EXPO

NCIA'S 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CANNABIS BUSINESS SUMMIT & EXPO San Jose, CA | July 22–24

Cannabis Business Summit & Expo was the winner of Trade Show Executive's Fastest 50 Award in 2016 and 2017 honoring the fastest-growing trade shows held in the U.S., and the winner of *The Denver Post*'s The Cannabist's Golden Pineapple Award in 2016 for Best Business Event.

Shop for all of your business-to-business needs at NCIA events, known for having the highest concentration of legitimate buyers and sellers when compared to any other industry event, to make sure you stay successful in a highly competitive market.

## **3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CALIFORNIA CANNABIS BUSINESS CONFERENCE:** NAVIGATING THE WORLD'S LARGEST ADULT-USE MARKET

## 2019 CANNABIS BUSINESS CONFERENCE

NCIA'S 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CALIFORNIA CANNABIS BUSINESS CONFERENCE Long Beach, CA | October 8–9

The only industry association trade show preparing California cannabis businesses for success in the largest adult-use market in the world, the California Cannabis Business Conference unifies the Golden State and brings together seasoned industry leaders to convene on best business practices and operations. Industry leaders, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and newcomers will convene to discuss best practices in emerging topics, brush up on policy issues, and exchange insider secrets.

For more information about sponsoring trade shows, contact Sponsorship@TheCannabisIndustry.org.



### EMAIL PARTNER/SPONSORED NEWSLETTER NEW IN 2019!

DEDICATED EMAIL	\$10,500 / EMAIL
SPONSORED SHOUT-OUTS IN WEEKLY EMAILS (280 CHARACTERS + IMAGE)	\$2,500 / EMAIL
SPONSORED SHOUT-OUTS IN WEEKLY EMAILS (IMAGE ONLY)	\$1,500 / EMAIL



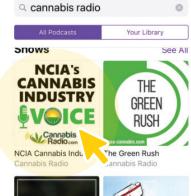
## SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS NEW IN 2019!

FACEBOOK POSTS (1 PER WEEK)	
FACEBOOK LIVE INTERVIEW (1 PER MONTH)	
TWITTER POSTS (3 PER WEEK)	\$2,000 / MONTH
INSTAGRAM (1 PER WEEK)	
LINKEDIN (1 PER WEEK)	

## NCIA PODCAST PACKAGE New IN 2019

1 ON-AIR INTERVIEW & 30-SECOND AD (PODCAST & NETWORK RUN)	
CUSTOM SOCIAL MEDIA GRAPHIC PROMOTING INTERVIEW	\$2,500 / MONTH
2 TWITTER POSTS PER MONTH LINKING INTERVIEW (POSTED TO NCIA & CANNABIS RADIO)	
1 LINKEDIN POST LINKING INTERVIEW	





Due to our partnership with CannabisRadio who has exclusive relationships with iTunes and iHeartRadio as the only cannabis podcast network available on their platforms, NCIA's Cannabis Industry Voice has great exposure in the world of cannabis podcasting. We are working internally to create some listener surveys that can begin to harvest our data, but for now, we can say that we push it out to the entirety of our network (email newsletter, social channels, at our Cannabis Caucus events) and that we are carried on all of the major podcast platforms (iTunes, iHeartRadio, Spreaker, TuneIn, etc.) and will soon also be included on Spotify through our partner CannabisRadio.

If you have an iPhone, you can go to the Apple Podcast app and search "Cannabis Radio" and all CannabisRadio (our official podcast partner) shows will pop up, including NCIA's Cannabis Industry Voice podcast.



## **SPONSORSHIP BUNDLES**

## SPONSOR MULTIPLE EVENTS

Select multiple event opportunities for additional sponsorship perks and savings!

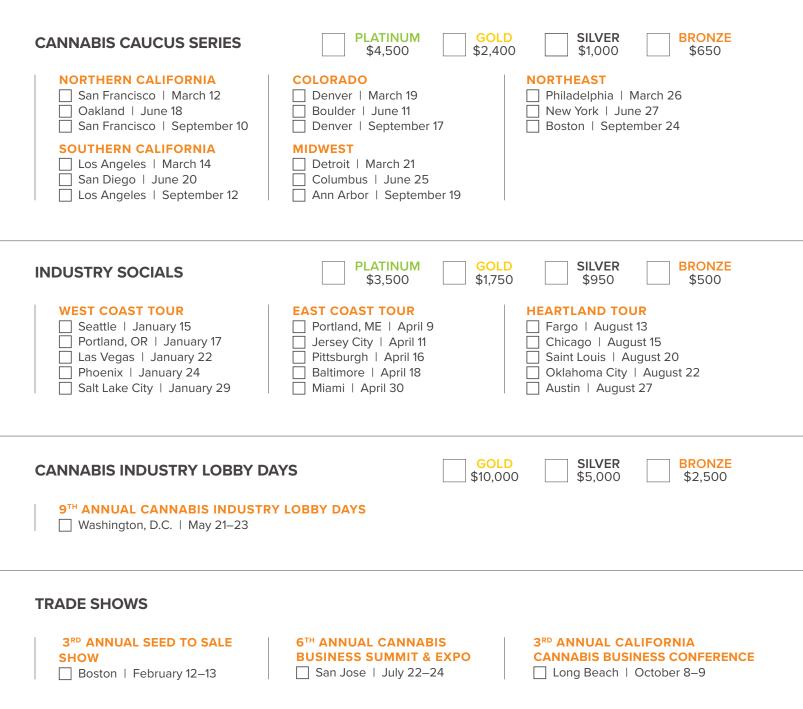
\$10,001–\$20,000 SAVE 10%	<b>SAVE 15</b> %	SAVE 20%	SAVE 25%
PACKAGES	PACKAGES <b>\$20,001-\$35,000</b>	\$35,001–\$50,000	
		PACKAGES	PACKAGES OVER \$50,000

Sponsors who <b>bundle more than \$10,000</b> in 2019 event sponsorships will receive the following additional benefits from NCIA:	MARKETING MATERIALS AND BANNER(S) SHIPPED TO AND FROM ALL EVENTS ONE 30 MINUTE INTERVIEW ON NCIA'S CANNABIS INDUSTRY VOICE RADIO SHOW
<b>Bundle more than \$35,000</b> in event sponsorships and also receive:	CUSTOM DIGITAL MARKETING BENEFITS. CONTACT US FOR MORE DETAILS.



## **SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES**

SELECT THE EVENTS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR.





## CONTACT

# Sponsorships@TheCannabisIndustry.org (415) 951-3683

## I WANT TO SPONSOR!

## **NETWORKING WITH A PURPOSE**

### ADVOCACY

Participating in your trade association's events program is one of the most impactful ways to invest in the critical lobbying and advocacy work to end national marijuana prohibition and develop sensible policies for a vibrant cannabis industry.

### **EDUCATION**

Succeeding in the rapidly growing and changing cannabis industry is not easy but NCIA's thoughtfully curated educational programming is designed to assist businesses at all levels navigate the uncertain regulatory landscape and learn about new trends and best practices as we work together to elevate the cannabis industry.



### COMMUNITY

NCIA's events consistently draw serious buyers and forwardthinking cannabis industry executives looking for products and solutions from their fellow member-businesses with the shared vision for and investment in the industry's long-term growth.

### WHO IS NCIA?

The National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) is the largest cannabis trade association in the U.S. and the only one representing cannabis-related businesses at the national level. NCIA promotes the growth of a responsible and legitimate cannabis industry and works toward a favorable social, economic, and legal environment for that industry in the United States.



