

*Texas Association of Black Personnel in
Higher Education*

“35 Years of TABPHE and Still Passing the Torch”

TABPHE 35th Annual State Conference
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The Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education (TABPHE) invites you and other college and university personnel to celebrate its 35th anniversary and to participate in what will be the year’s best investment toward your professional development in 2008. Thirty-five years ago, the founders of TABPHE had the foresight to understand how such an organization would be invaluable to black students, faculty, staff and administrators across the state in the field of higher education. Throughout these many years, these pioneers have been joined by hundreds of leaders who have demonstrated the drive and passion that have kept this vision alive.

This vision has helped TABPHE to progress, to constantly move forward, during these thirty-five years, and also to give back in the form of development, motivation, networking and scholarships. However, we must continue to strive to improve as an organization, as a people, and as professionals in higher education. We must continue to rededicate ourselves and re-ignite the passion that helped bring about the successes of the past. This conference will be a call for a higher order of excellence and service. We must continue to place ourselves at the table where limited resources are distributed to our children, to our students, and to our institutions. Using a new paradigm, we must achieve excellence by combining our energies and efforts to ensure continuous progress for African Americans and other minority students in Texas.

TABPHE’s annual state conference is specifically designed to assess the needs and promote the goals of Blacks in higher education. Each year, this prestigious affair attracts attention across the state by bringing together representatives from academia, state government, corporations, private industry and non-profit organizations. The event is also an excellent venue for local, state and national businesses to showcase their products and services. Houston, the “Bayou City,” is the host city for the TABPHE 2008 Conference.

The TABPHE 2008 Conference is your opportunity to serve and play a significant role in a big movement to prepare the way for the future!

Houston 2008

The Bayou City – Houston, Texas is pleased to host the 2008 Annual State Conference of the Texas Association of Black Personnel in Higher Education in partnership with the American Association of Blacks in Higher Education. TABPHE's partnership with the American Association of Blacks in Higher Education (AABHE) provides conference attendees with the opportunity to examine issues of Blacks in higher education not only from a state perspective but a national one. We have come together on the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and will use this opportunity to reflect, reenergize and recommit to our work in higher education.

We listened to your need to have time to network and connect with your colleagues by expanding the conference an additional day. Our local dream team hopes you will take advantage of everything that Houston and the surrounding vicinity has to offer. You will note that our conference hotel is extending the special hotel rate in order for you and your family to enjoy the city! For more information on the city of Houston and events happening before, during and after the conference visit <http://www.visithoustontexas.com>

The 35th Annual Conference promises to be one you won't forget! Listed below are some reasons why you don't want to miss!

- ✓ Engaging Workshop sessions for students, staff and faculty that will empower you personally and professionally
- ✓ General Sessions and Panel Discussions w/Major Speakers
- ✓ Conference Luncheon
- ✓ Pre-Conference Student Leadership Institute
- ✓ Pre-Conference Faculty Development Institute
- ✓ Pre-Conference Professional Leadership Institute
- ✓ "Black Tie" Awards Banquet
- ✓ Special Reception for First-Time Attendees
- ✓ Conference Entertainment featuring an evening of jazz and spoken word
- ✓ Exhibitors and Vendors
- ✓ Opportunity to network with Black professionals from across the state and nation
- ✓ Free Time Activities (sight-seeing, shopping, etc.)

See you April 3-6, 2008!

Preliminary Conference Schedule

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(subject to change)

**Activities sponsored solely by the American Association of Blacks in Higher Education (AABHE) will be noted with a \$.
Otherwise conference activities are included in your TABPHE conference registration fee*

Thursday, April 3rd

9:00 a.m.	Registration Opens
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	AABHE Pre-Conference Workshops \$
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Box Lunches (pre-registration required)
	Exhibits Open
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.	AABHE Houston Black History Tour \$
	TABPHE Pre-Conference Institutes
	<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Development Institute
	<input type="checkbox"/> Reby Carey Professional Development Institute
	<input type="checkbox"/> Erma Johnson-Hadley Student Leadership Institute
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	TABPHE 1 st Timers and Welcome Reception
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.	AABHE Opening Reception and Awards Presentation
7:30 – 9:00 p.m.	TABPHE and AABHE Townhall Meeting “Status of Blacks in Higher Education”
9:00 p.m. – midnight	TABPHE and AABHE Hospitality Suites Open

Friday, April 4th

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration/Check In
	Exhibits Open
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Opening Plenary Session
10:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.	AABHE Delaney Lecture Awards and Luncheon
1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Free Time
	Dinner on Your Own
7:00 – 9:30 p.m.	Conference Entertainment

Saturday, April 5th

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration/Check In
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	AABHE Doctoral Student Presentation/Award
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	TABPHE Business Meeting
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	AABHE Business Meeting
	Lunch on your Own
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Free Time
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	TABPHE Awards Dinner
9:00 p.m. – until	Conference Soiree

Sunday, April 6th

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	MLK Community Breakfast/Spiritual Service
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Conference Evaluation and Action Planning

If you attend only one educational conference in 2008... make it this one!

Call for Workshop Proposals

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The success of TABPHE conferences has always depended on you! We encourage you to submit a workshop proposal so that your colleagues may benefit from your knowledge and insight.

Proposals must be received by January 31, 2008. The limited number of workshop opportunities may necessitate an earlier deadline, so please submit your proposal as soon as possible. The selected presenters will be notified by mid-February. Proposals will be judged on content, clarity, and reflection of the conference theme. Time allotted for each workshop is 1 hour and 15 minutes, including questions & answers. Overhead projector and screen will be provided for each presentation. The presenter must provide all other audiovisual needs and materials. We strongly encourage all presenters to provide handouts. **All conference presenters must register for the conference.**

We invite you to submit your ideas, inspiration and innovative presentations that reflect the essence of this year's conference theme. Please submit your proposal on one of the following (or other) topics:

- Uses of technology in higher education
- Issues Facing Faculty in Academia
- Communication and teambuilding
- Distance learning in the 21st century
- Diversity and multiculturalism
- Leadership & professional development
- Recruitment and retention issues
- Research findings
- Support staff issues
- Plight of Historically Black Colleges/Universities
- Continuing education
- Economics and the global economy
- Conflict management and resolution
- Mentoring/effective academic advising
- Improving access to higher education

Call for Workshop Proposals (continued)

Presenter(s) Information

Name _____ Title _____
Institution _____
Address _____
Telephone () _____ Fax () _____ E-mail _____

Co-Presenters:

Name _____ Title _____
Name _____ Title _____

Workshop Information

Title of Workshop: _____
The title should accurately reflect the content of the session.

Abstract:

In the space below, please type an abstract of **50-75 words** as you wish it to appear in the conference program. A more detailed proposal may be submitted on a separate sheet.

Learning Outcome(s):

Please indicate learning outcomes that describe how attendees will benefit from the presentation (i.e. “After attending this session, participants will recognize, become aware of, develop . . .”).

Biographical Summary of Presenter(s)

Please provide a biographical sketch of **50 words** or fewer for each presenter.

Equipment Needed

- Check box if overhead projector & screen are needed. The presenter must provide all other A-V equipment.

Please e-mail or fax proposal to: **Dr. Eileen Scanks,**
College of the Mainland
Texas City, Texas
escanks@com.edu
(409) 938-1211 ext. 661 (office)
(409) 933-1306 (fax)

Registration Form
 (Print and mail this form with registration fee or register securely online at
www.tabphe.org)

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Name _____ Title _____
 Institution _____ Check if 1st-Time Attendee
 Address _____ City, State, Zip _____
 Telephone () _____ Fax () _____ E-mail _____

Conference Registration Fees*

- Early Full Registration (postmarked before December 31, 2007) \$130.00
- Standard Full Registration (postmarked January 1-February 28, 2008) \$160.00
- Late & On-Site Full Registration (postmarked after February 28, 2008)..... \$175.00

Conference Registration includes conference souvenir bag, TABPHE sponsored pre-conference institutes, welcome reception, continental breakfast, refreshment breaks, Friday luncheon, Saturday banquet, conference entertainment and a great deal more!

Undergraduate and Graduate Student Registration Fees*

- Standard Registration (through February 28, 2008) \$ 65.00
- Late & On-Site Registration (after February 28, 2008) \$ 75.00

Optional Registration Fees*

- One Day Partial Registration
- Thursday, April 3rd \$ 75.00
 - Friday, April 4th \$100.00
 - Saturday, April 5th \$100.00
- Additional Friday Luncheon Ticket(s)..... \$ 35.00
 Additional Saturday Banquet Ticket(s)..... \$ 50.00

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Early Conference Activities*

Thursday, April 3, 2008, 9 am-12 pm

The American Association of Blacks in Higher Education (AABHE) will be hosting professional development institutes on for a nominal charge. If you are interested in participating in the AABHE sponsored institutes, YOU MUST REGISTER in advance at www.aabhe.org

Thursday, April 3, 2008, 12 pm – 4 pm [please check if you plan on attending]. There is no additional charge for Full Conference Registrants

- Box Lunch
- Faculty Development Institute
- Reby Carey Professional Development Institute
- Erma Johnson Hadley Student Leadership Development Institute
- I'm not available to participate in any early conference activities

Make checks payable to **TABPHE**, and mail with Registration Form to:
Dr. Curtis Hill, TABPHE Treasurer
P.O. Box 871416
Mesquite, TX 75187

TABPHE federal tax-exempt #: 74-2738176
You can also register online at www.tabphe.org and pay securely with PayPal

Conference contacts: Dr. Felicia J. Scott (832) 797-7928; tabphe08@sbcglobal.net
Ms. Sharon Bush (713) 348-4351; bush@rice.edu

* **Postmark** will determine the appropriate registration fee (which must be included). For registrations mailed within two weeks of the conference, please bring proof of registration for verification. Refund requests must be received **in writing** prior to February 28, 2008 (attendee substitutions are encouraged instead).

Hotel Accommodations

Conference Hotel: Omni Houston Hotel – 4 Riverway, Houston, TX 77056

Hotel Information: The Omni Houston is situated in a lush park-like setting, the hotel is located one mile north of the fashionable Galleria shopping area and only eight miles from the downtown central business district. Guests will also enjoy complimentary in-room internet access, complimentary parking and a host of other amenities.

Reservations: You can make your hotel reservations online at <http://www.omnihotels.com/FindAHotel/Houston/MeetingFacilities/TABPHE4.aspx> or call toll-free at 1-800-400-1700 or directly to the Houston location at (713) 871-8181. Ask for the TABPHE conference rate. Rate does not include tax, so bring a state tax-exempt form from your college or university.

Special Room Rates: \$125 Single or Double (must cancel at least 48 hours prior to check-in date)

Special Rate Deadline: March 8, 2008; after deadline, regular hotel rates per night may apply.

Advertisement Request Form

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Would you like to showcase your institution, business, product, service area or professional organization during the TABPHE 35th Annual Conference? If so, reserve your advertising space in the Conference Souvenir Booklet by completing this form and returning it with your payment enclosed. Souvenir booklet space for ads is limited. The deadline for ad copy is February 1, 2008.

Please Type or Print:

Contact Person: _____
Business/Organization: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City/State/Zip Code: _____
Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____
E-mail address: _____

ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION:

<u>Size</u>	<u>Price</u>
Full Page	\$125
Half Page	\$ 75
Quarter Page	\$ 60
Business Card	\$ 45

All advertising is subject to the approval of TABPHE and should be camera-ready. Please include an additional \$12 per photograph for all non camera-ready copy. Black and white photographs are preferred. The publisher reserves the right to reject or cancel advertising at any time. Advertisers who desire their photographs and other materials returned should label each piece with their name and submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope. For additional information, please contact Sharon Bush at 713-348-4351.

Send completed order form, advertisement, and payment to:

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P.O. Box 871416
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Vendor Request Form

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Please Type or Print:

Contact Person: _____

Business/Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____

E-mail address: _____

Do you need electricity? ___ Yes ___ No Will you donate a door prize?
Yes ___ No

VENDOR INFORMATION: \$150 per table x _____ table(s) = \$ _____ Total

Each vendor station includes one 6-foot, skirted table. Floor space is limited to under and behind the assigned table. Vendors may not sell food or drinks. A full refund will be given for cancellations received in writing by **March 1, 2008**. No refunds will be given after this date. A cancellation is not considered accepted until confirmed in writing by TABPHE. For additional information, please contact Sharon Bush at the address below.

Rice University
Diversity Outreach, MS 99
6100 Main St
Houston, TX 77005
713-348-4351
bush@rice.edu

Special Bonus: Vendors who also advertise in the Conference Souvenir Booklet will receive a 10% discount on a full-page ad!

Please send completed order form and payment (with your ad copy if applicable) to:

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Corporate Sponsorship Form

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Please Type or Print:

Contact Person: _____

Business/Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____ E-mail _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION (Please check level of contribution):

() Platinum - \$4,000

Sponsorship of major events AND
"Official Conference Sponsor"
Name recognition on all advertisements
*Banner displayed at registration & Luncheon
Full-Page Program Ad
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Bronze - \$1,000

Sponsor of any one of the three Institutes
Recognition in all advertisements
*Banner displayed at Institute
Full-Page Program Ad
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Gold - \$2,500

"Official Conference Sponsor"
Name recognition on all advertisements
*Banner displayed
Full-Page Program Ad
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Copper - \$500

Half-Page Program Ad in Souvenir Booklet
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Patron's List - \$100

Name Recognition in Program Booklet
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Silver - \$1,500

Sponsor – Special Reception
Name recognition on all advertisements
*Banner displayed at Reception
Full-Page Program Ad
Recognition at Awards Banquet

() Other Sponsorship Opportunities

Please inquire about additional sponsorship opportunities, such as one of three Continental Breakfasts and the Hospitality Room. Contact information is found below.

You may submit banners, photographs, and other materials for advertisements. All banners must be reviewed and approved by **February 1st**. All advertisements for the Souvenir Book must be camera-ready and submitted by **February 1st**. Black and white photographs are preferred. The publisher reserves the right to reject or cancel advertising at any time. Advertisers who desire their photographs and other materials returned should label each piece with their name and submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope. For additional information, please contact Sharon Bush (713-348-4351) or e-mail her at bush@rice.edu.

Send completed Sponsorship Form and payment (with your ad copy if applicable) to:

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*Sponsoring business/organization must provide banner.

Conference Planning Committee

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Conference Co-Chairs:

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Ms. Sharon Bush, (713) 348-4351, bush@rice.edu

Committee Chairs:

Program	Mr. James Shippy Dr. Bernadine Duncan Dr. Roland Smith
Hospitality	Dr. Cherry Gooden Ms. C. Renea Stewart Dr. Freddie Wade
Marketing	Ms. Rauchelle Jones
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