**The ASPM® 2015 IAHSP**

**Educational Conference**

***Places to Stay on South Whidbey Island***

Whidbey Island is a special place just north and west of Seattle. It is approximately a 40 minute drive north of the Seattle Tacoma Airport and then a very short ferry ride from Mukilteo, WA to Clinton, WA.

There is an excellent airport shuttle service that services the island <http://www.seatacshuttle.com/> but once on the island there are only one or two taxis, so you will need to rent or share a car.

The ferry leaves every half hour from Mukilteo. Reservations are not available and there can be a wait time during peak commuting times. If you need more information here is a link to the schedule: <http://www.wsdot.com/ferries/schedule/ScheduleDetailByRoute.aspx?route=muk-cl>

Whidbey Island is quite rural and the population is predominately second homes or retired. It is an idyllic place that is on Oprah’s list of favorite places in the world.  Many people who have come to the Masters programs here or our last Conference extended their stay to explore and enjoy this special place and loved it!

The program will be held at the Useless Bay Country Club, 5725 South Country Club Drive Langley, WA 98260, which is on the South end of Whidbey Island and about 10 minutes from the ferry.  It is about a 5-10 minute drive from downtown Langley and about a 5 minute drive from Freeland.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Whidbey Island is a VERY LONG island, so DON’T stay on the mainland, DON’T stay on Camano Island, or DON’T stay anyplace farther north on the island than Greenbank, WA or you will be commuting for 60 minutes or more.

When searching for lodging you will ONLY want to stay in the towns of:

* **Clinton**
* **Langley**
* **Freeland**
* **Greenbank**

**To Share a Room or a Ride please see the Facebook link at the bottom.**

Here are some lodging ideas for you:

1. [**Stay at Barb’s Own Home, ‘The Lillie Pad’**](http://www.whidbeyvacation.com/site/Overview/PropertyID__92519/6176/default.aspx) **PH 360-929-5353**
2. The Inn at Langley.  This is a five star Inn in downtown Langley, a quaint and popular shopping area.  People come here from all over the world.  It is right on the water and most rooms have a sweeping view. It is a real treat to stay here. I believe all rooms have a fireplace as well. 360-221-3033   <http://www.innatlangley.com/>
3. Saratoga Inn.  This is a very nice inn in downtown Langley and has a variety of rooms and is more reasonable.  This is also close to the water with many rooms having a view.  866.749.5565.  <http://www.saratogainnwhidbeyisland.com/>
4. Harbour Inn.  This is an inexpensive motel in Freeland.  Pretty basic, but convenient and some rooms have kitchenettes. This is across the street from a large grocery store and on a free bus line. 360-331-6900. <https://harborinn.us/>
5. The Langley Motel. A small motel in downtown Langley with a few rooms overlooking the water. 866.276.8289 <http://www.langleymotel.com/>
6. There are MANY vacation homes to rent on the island. Most people are familiar with vrbo.com which is a vacation rental by owner website. There are some great choices from small cabins to huge waterfront homes that can be shared. Be sure to only rent in the cities listed above: <http://www.vrbo.com/vacation-rentals/usa/washington/wa-northwest/whidbey-island>
7. The largest selection of lodging choices will be one of the many bed and breakfasts on the island. Be sure to only rent in the cities listed above. Here are some general websites and good choices:

Some of the better known B&B’s in the area:

<http://www.betterbedandbreakfasts.com/villaisola/index.htm>           <http://www.baybreezecottages.com/>

<http://www.boatyardinn.com/>

<http://www.islandcarriagehouse.com/>

<http://www.guesthouselogcottages.com/>

<http://www.whidbeynet.net/getaways/>

<http://www.kristfield.com/>

<http://lagoonpoint-bandb.com/>

<http://www.strawbridgefarm.com/>

<http://www.seabreeze.ws/home.php>

<http://www.smugglerscove.com/index.html>

<http://www.sunlightseascape.com/index.html>

We have a Facebook page already up for you (click below) so you can look for roommates and/or share rides. <https://www.facebook.com/ASPMSymposium2015>