

GATHERING '15

Imagine a house, the House of ToP, so expansive we can all create and thrive within it.



January 9-12 in Aurora, Colorado

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*Early Bird rates end November 15th

During the 2015 annual gathering we will explore the House of ToP through four arenas:

- Building the Foundation
- Living in the House of ToP
- Creating our Living Space
- Using our Tools

ABOUT THE THEME

At the core of our House of ToP is the foundation which includes the slab, the exterior walls and roof. In this arena, we will explore what all these “must haves” are for building a solid business foundation. There will be opportunities to learn how to grow the ToP brand, to develop vibrant marketing practices, and even create a website or facilitate virtually.

In our living space, the environment needs to ignite our creativity and motivation much as the furniture, drapes and floor coverings do. In this arena, we will explore how to create the ideal environment for cultivating facilitation and ToP methods so that limitless opportunities are available to practice, teach and infuse ToP methods into the surrounding culture.

Living in the House of ToP means becoming competent in the ToP methods, taking multiple courses and engaging in a life-long journey of constant growth. In this arena you will find workshops on certification, mentoring opportunities, and ways to deepen your practice.

In the fourth arena, Using our Tools, we explore how we might use existing techniques to intensify our own prowess as well as expand the ToP Network and the use of ToP methods world-wide.



We are soliciting interactive workshops that tap into these arenas and specifically into the details. (see next page)

In addition to attending, there are several ways to contribute to this year's theme:

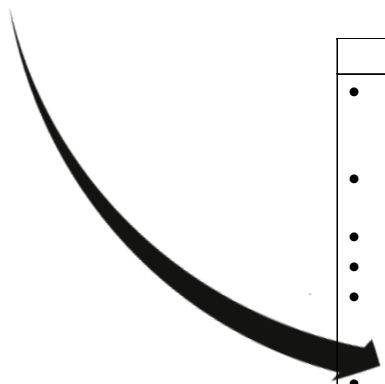
- conduct pre and post gathering sessions
- Present/facilitate during a concurrent gathering session
- participate in the plenary sessions.

There are also opportunities for other innovative ways to contribute:

- lead an ad hoc mentoring circle
- lead a book study group
- volunteer to help with logistics
- support personal and team action planning efforts



Examples of Topics



Building the Foundation	Creating our Living Space	Living in the House of ToP	Using our Tools
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing your business structure and finding your niche • Contracting with clients and other facilitators • Designing your web site • Filling ToP courses • Leveraging the ToP Network to provide infrastructure or support • Creating a strong, vibrant and accessible ToP brand • Developing a virtual facilitation market • <i>An equally dazzling topic of your choice</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infusing facilitation into the world • Creating ToP culture in any organization whether private, government or non-profit – case studies • Using ToP methods with youth • Using ToP methods in community development • Creating innovative approaches to facilitation • <i>An equally dazzling topic of your choice</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Putting your new skills into practice • Deepening your practice through advanced ToP classes including MToP • Creating Community of Practices (COP) • Getting certified • Becoming a ToP Trainer • Deepening your skills and mentoring others in their facilitation journeys • Creating your personal action plan • <i>An equally dazzling topic of your choice</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning graphic facilitation skills for practice and documentation • Creating new courses to teach innovative approaches to using ToP methods • Taking the environmental scan course: Wall of Wonder and Wave • Learning participatory strategic planning • Taking the one-day consensus workshop course • <i>An equally dazzling topic of your choice</i>