

Day 0, Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Schedule at a Glance

7:00a - 8:00a	No programming					Registration Open 7:00a	
8:00a - 10:00a	Pre-Conference Tutorials - AM					Registration Closed	Sponsor Booth Setup 8:00a - 5:00p Pollack & Cassatt Foyer
	Business Acumen for Quality Professionals: 10 Tips that Deliver	Structured Root Cause Analysis: Empowering Auditors to Drive System-Level Improvements	GxP for Supplier and Internal Audits	Advanced Problem Solving: Applying the 8D Methodology to Strengthen Corrective Action Performance	ISO 9001 Revision Requirements (USA Style)		
	Rai Chowdhary	Denis Devos	James Shore	Angelo Scangas	Paul Russell		
	Tate	Avedon A	Avedon B	Warhol A	Warhol B		
10:00a - 10:15a	Break, Snacks - Pollock & Warhol Foyer						
10:15a - 12:00p	Pre-Conference Tutorials - AM continued						
	Business Acumen for Quality Professionals: 10 Tips that Deliver	Structured Root Cause Analysis: Empowering Auditors to Drive System-Level Improvements	GxP for Supplier and Internal Audits	Advanced Problem Solving: Applying the 8D Methodology to Strengthen Corrective Action Performance	ISO 9001 Revision Requirements (USA Style)		
	Rai Chowdhary	Denis Devos	James Shore	Angelo Scangas	Paul Russell		
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12:00p - 1:00p	Lunch - Pollock & Warhol Foyer						
1:00p - 3:00p	Pre-Conference Tutorials - PM					Registration Open 1:00p - 4:30p	
	Your Audit Report – False Assurance or Stamp of Authenticity	Structured Root Cause Analysis: Empowering Auditors to Drive System-Level Improvements	GxP for Supplier and Internal Audits	Advanced Problem Solving: Applying the 8D Methodology to Strengthen Corrective Action Performance	ISO 9001 Revision Requirements (USA Style)		
	Rai Chowdhary	Denis Devos	James Shore	Angelo Scangas	Paul Russell		
	Tate	Avedon A	Avedon B	Warhol A	Warhol B		
3:00p - 3:15p	Break, Snacks - Pollock & Warhol Foyer						
3:15p - 5:00p	Pre-Conference Tutorials - PM continued						
	Your Audit Report – False Assurance or Stamp of Authenticity	Structured Root Cause Analysis: Empowering Auditors to Drive System-Level Improvements	GxP for Supplier and Internal Audits	Advanced Problem Solving: Applying the 8D Methodology to Strengthen Corrective Action Performance	ISO 9001 Revision Requirements (USA Style)		
	Rai Chowdhary	Denis Devos	James Shore	Angelo Scangas	Paul Russell		
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5:00p - 6:30p	No programming						
6:30p - 8:30p	Sponsor-Funded Networking Reception - The Ashburn (located inside of Loews Hotel)						

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Day 1, Wednesday, September 23, 2026

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6:30a - 7:30a	No Programming				
7:30a - 8:00a	Coffee / Tea / Snacks - Cassatt Foyer				
8:00a - 8:05a	Opening Announcements - Cassatt C/D				
8:05a - 8:10a	Guest Speaker - Sid Bhatnagar				
8:10a - 8:15a	Keynote Intro - Cassatt C/D				
8:15a - 9:00a	Keynote Speaker - Jd Marhevo - Cassatt C/D				
9:00a - 9:15a	Sponsor Presentation(s) - Cassatt C/D				
9:15a - 9:25a	Pre-Conference Announcements, Housekeeping Items - Cassatt C/D				
9:25a - 9:40a	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
9:40a - 10:30a	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track
	A1: Holistic Approach to Prepare Auditors for the Future	B1: Social Audits: Strengthening Ethical Practices Across Global Supply Chains	C1: Future Ready: The AI-Enabled Auditor	D1: Quality Auditing as Investigative Analysis: Break Out Your Inner Sleuth!	E1: Food Safety Culture as a Strategic Asset: Driving Excellence Beyond Audits
	Aditya Desai & Dani Hestermann	Jennifer Stepniowski	Kellan Ilse	Michael Ford	Jennifer DuCree
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate
10:30a - 10:50a	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
10:50a - 11:40a	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track
	A2: The Future of Quality Auditing: Insights from a Futurist on the Evolving Role of Auditors	B2: How Do I Validate This QMS Software?	C2: AI-Powered Regulatory Intelligence and Auditing: What the Future Brings	D2: Calibrating Humans. Attribute Agreement Analysis (AAA)	E2: Medical Device Product Development: What An Auditor Should Look for in Every Stage
	Kathy Lyall	James Shore	George Kwiecinski	Jd Marhevo	Nish Abeysiriwardena
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate
11:40a - 12:00p	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
12:00p - 12:05p	Midday Announcements, Lunch Starts - Cassatt C/D				
12:05p - 12:15p	Paul Gauthier Award Presentation - Cassatt C/D				
12:15p - 12:20p	Keynote Intro - Cassatt C/D				
12:20p - 1:05p	Keynote Speaker - Michael Fank - Cassatt C/D				
1:05p - 1:20p	Sponsor Presentation(s) - Cassatt C/D				
1:20p - 1:30p	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
1:30p - 2:20p	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track
	A3: Future-Ready Audits: Risk-Based Validation of AI, Software, and Automation in GxP Environments	B3: Are You Future Ready - <i>Financially?</i> : Applying the Quality Auditor's Mindset	C3: Auditing Smarter with Copilot: Applying Generative AI Without Losing Trust	D3: Open Ended Requirements: More Keep Coming, How Do I Audit Them?	E3: Auditing for FSMA Intentional Adulteration Rule
	Manish Dnyaneshwar Bavisakar	Rai Chowdhary	Amanda Lyon	Paul Russell	Cathleen Howick
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate
2:20p - 2:40p	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
2:40p - 3:30p	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track
	A4: Audit Smarter: Practical AI Techniques for Everyday Auditing	B4: Demystifying Calibration Accreditation Scopes	C4: Auditing Risk Assessment Quality - Not Just the Scoring!	D4: ISO 9001:2026 - What's Next?	E4: How to Communicate With Your Conformity Assessment Body
	Shwetha Jayachandran	Heather Wade	Angelo Scangas	Lance Coleman	Balasz Bozskik
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate
3:30p - 3:50p	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer				
3:50p - 4:40p	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track
	A5: Auditing the "Gray Areas": How to Evaluate Effectiveness (Not Just Conformance)	B5: Identifying and Avoiding Lean's 10(?) Wastes in Audits	C5: Empowering Auditors with Agentic AI: Build, Validate, and Audit with Confidence	D5: Benchmarking Internal Audit Duration: Are We Auditing Enough?	E5: Cosmetic Manufacturer Auditing: Update on MoCRA Compliance and Auditing Trends
	Laura Halleck	Christy Furlan	Attrayee Chakraborty	Dan Cannon	Steven Ault
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate
4:40p - 6:30p	No Programming				
6:30p - 10:00p	Gala - Cassatt Ballroom A-D				

Registration Open 6:30a - 4:40p

Sponsor Hall Open 8:00a - 4:40p

Pollack & Cassatt Foyer

Day 2, Thursday, September 24, 2026

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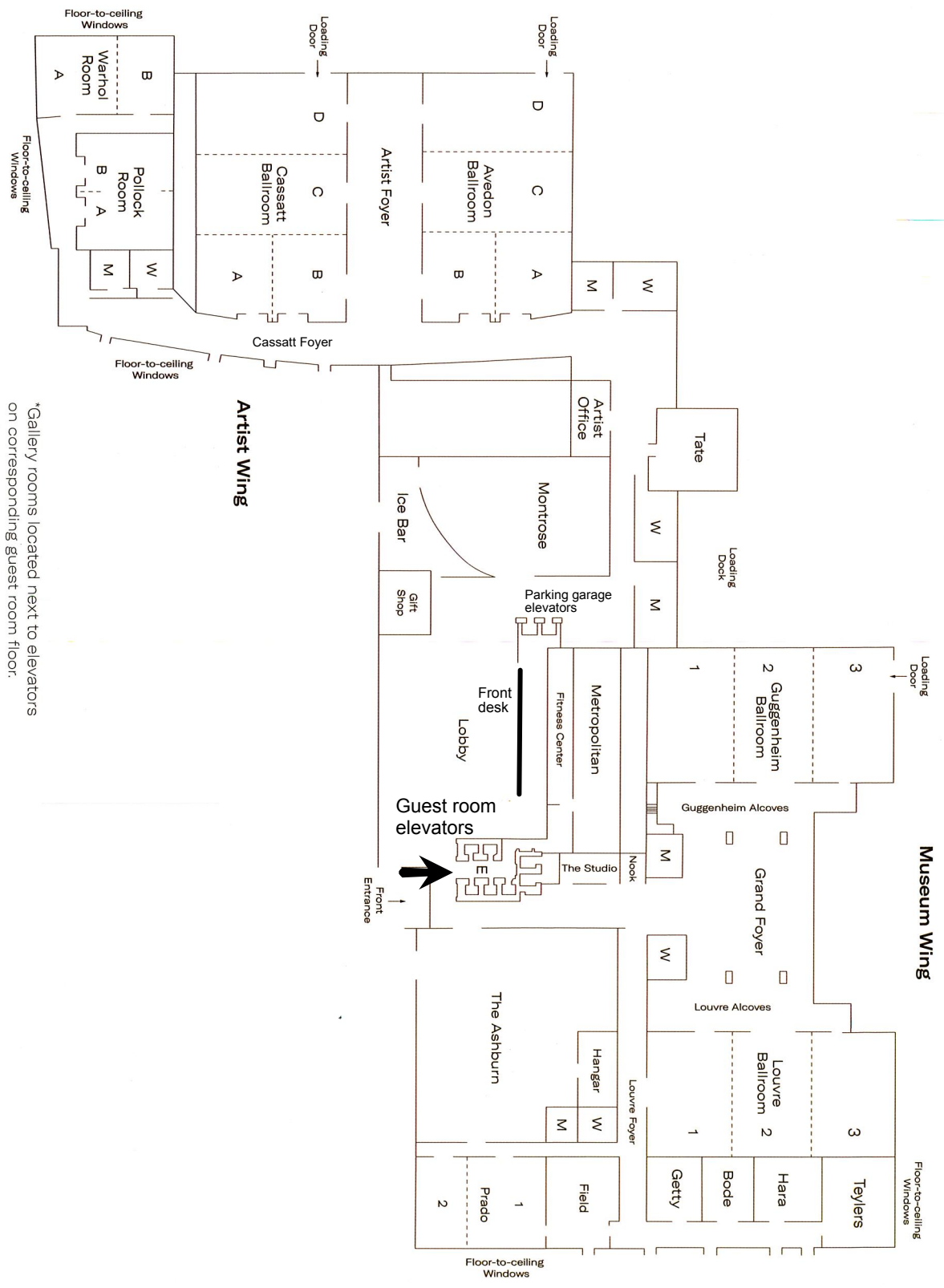
7:00a - 7:30a	No Programming					Registration Open 7:00a - 8:00a			
7:30a - 8:00a	Coffee / Tea / Snacks - Cassatt C/D								
8:00a - 8:10a	Morning Announcements, Snacks - Cassatt C/D								
8:10a - 8:15a	Keynote Intro - Cassatt C/D								
8:15a - 9:00a	Keynote Speaker - Loralyn Ledenbach - Cassatt C/D								
9:00a - 9:20a	Sponsor Presentation(s)								
9:20a - 9:25a	Announcements, Housekeeping Items - Cassatt C/D								
9:25a - 9:40a	Break, Snacks, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer								
9:40a - 10:30a	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track	Registration Closed	Sponsor Hall Open 8:00a - 11:40a Pollack & Cassatt Foyer		
	F1: Third-Party Verification as a Strategic Asset for GMP Quality Systems	G1: From Reactive Audits to Preventive Control: Risk-Tiered Contract Governance Model	H1: Navigating the New Regulatory Landscape: EU MDR 2.0 & US QMSR	I1: A First Look at ISO 9001:2026	J1: Who Owns Quality?: Auditing Considerations for OWN Label Distributors Dietary Supplements				
	Melody Scott	Kristin Schuler	BJ Johnson & Urmi Vidyarthi	Denis Devos	Shelly Blackwell				
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate				
10:30a - 10:50a	Break, Sponsor Bingo - Cassatt Foyer								
10:50a - 11:40a	50-minute concurrent sessions - Main Track				FDC Track				
	F2: Data Quality - Auditing the Digital Factory	G2: Playing Defense: Strategies for Avoiding, Containing, and Resisting Audit Findings	H2: Step-By-Step Audit of Digital Twin-Controlled Robotic Assembly Systems	I2: Beyond Compliance: Future-Ready Auditing for Risk and Safety in the QMSR - ISO 9001:2026 Era	J2: Standards for EU Medical Device Regulatory Compliance				
	Denholm Kendall	Derek Purdy	Srividia Narayanan & Lavanya Ramnath	Whitney Davis	Balasz Bozsik				
	Avedon A	Avedon B	Cassatt A	Cassatt B	Tate				
11:40a - 11:50a	Networking Break - Cassatt Foyer								
11:50a - 12:15p	Sponsor Bingo Winners/Prizes, Announcements, Lunch Starts - Cassatt C/D								
12:15p - 1:15p	Keynote Speaker - Michael Ford - Cassatt C/D								
1:15p - 1:30p	End-of-Conference Announcements, Thank You's - Cassatt C/D							Sponsor Booth Breakdown	

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