

## Everything you need to know about skateparks



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**May 1st, 2004**

**Cole Harbour Place**

**Cole Harbour, NS**

**Design Issues**

**Youth Involvement**

**Case Studies**

**Just \$9.95\*/youth**

**Just \$29.95\*/adult**

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# RFANS 3rd Annual Maritime Skatepark Conference

This one-day conference from the Recreation Facility Association of Nova Scotia will show you all you need to know about designing, developing, creating a successful skatepark in your community

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# Helping communities to create safe and sustainable recreational opportunities for our youth is the goal of this conference.

The Recreation Facility Association of Nova Scotia, in partnership with the Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission and the Halifax Regional Municipality, is pleased to present its 3rd Annual Maritime Skatepark Conference.

Skateboarding is one of the most popular activities for youth in this region. Backed by that enthusiasm, the sport has gained incredible momentum and, so has the interest in design, development and construction of skateparks.

In response to this interest, RFANS is again offering a one-day conference that covers a variety of topics that will be of interest and value to community leaders and skateboarders alike.

Returning again this year is Jim Barnum, President of Spectrum Skatepark Creations Inc., one of the most knowledgeable skatepark designers in the country. Jim has been involved in the design and/or construction of such skateparks as the: Shaw Millennium Park in Calgary, AB; Whistler Skatepark, Whistler, BC; and Hastings Park, North Vancouver, BC.

The Skatepark Conference always strives to offer sessions that will be of interest to skateboarders. This year there will be a session that explores how youth in our communities can influence municipal leaders in the development skateparks. A second session will examine the potential of forming a provincial skateboard association.

The Conference is being held at Cole Harbour Place, which will provide a perfect setting for a case study in skatepark design. In the development of a skatepark there are a

number of external influences that affect its outcome. This session will provide some unique insight for those who are involved in the development process of a skatepark.

The final session of the Conference always highlights a success story from around the region. Come and hear how one community has made a difference with their skatepark.

If you're involved in skateboarding in any way, don't miss this conference.

## Schedule

The 3rd Annual Maritime Skatepark Conference runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Registration begins at 8:00 am

Time	
8:00	Registration
9:00	Welcome and Overview
9:15	Keynote Address
	Jim Barnum, Spectrum Skatepark Creations
10:30	Break
10:45	Youth & Municipal Politics
	Skatepark Design Issues
12:00	Lunch—provided
1:00	Skatepark Case Study
	Skateboarding on a Provincial Level
2:15	Break
2:30	Success Stories
3:45	Wrap-up

### Registration fees:

Youth \$9.95\*  
Adult \$29.95\*  
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## Here are just some of the things you'll learn at the RFANS Skatepark Conference

Why skateboarding is so popular... how communities are creating successful skateparks...recognize what not to do when designing a skatepark...the opportunity to hear experts in the skateboard industry... discuss ideas with others who are dealing with the same issues...learn how to overcome obstacles...realize what you need to do to insure your skatepark isn't a liability...find out the best places to build skateparks so skateboarders use them...find out

what skateboarders want at the skatepark...hear how to mobilize and organize the youth in your community to develop a skatepark... realize the disturbing issue of youth inactivity and how skateparks encourage youth to become active... learn how the skateboard community can come together to "grow" skateparks and skateboarding...meet skatepark designers and manufacturers...learn about legislation affecting skateboarders in Nova Scotia...hear about youth concerns regarding skatepark facilities...recognize the network of youth, communities and professionals working to enhance recreational opportunities for youth in our communities...have your questions about skateparks answered by those in the know.

## Our past attendees say it best ...

"Absolutely first class info; the liability session was very well done."

"Great job, I look forward to next year."

"I enjoyed the meeting and skateboarding with others during the conference."

"Great job. Tremendous value for your registration fee."

"Thank you...another step in the right direction."

"Great way to spend a Saturday."



## Brought to you by RFANS

The Recreation Facility Association of Nova Scotia train hundreds of recreation facility professionals every year, from facilities of all sizes and all types. Our Conference facilitators are a select group of trainers at the top of their profession—skilled teachers with a tremendous depth of knowledge in their respective topic areas. Our commitment to providing you with the highest-quality training experience possible has made RFANS one of the best providers of training for recreation facility personnel in all of Atlantic Canada. Attend the Conference for yourself and experience the effect of powerful ideas, skillfully presented.

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Five easy ways to register:

Phone: 902-425-5450 ext 330      Fax: form to 902-425-5606

Mail: form to RFANS 5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor, Halifax, NS, B3J 1G6

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Please register the following additional people (indicate if either adult or youth):

Name:
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