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2023 WIDOW EMPOWERMENT EVENT

WEE 2023 St. Louis, Missouri FAQ

What are the dates for WEE 2023 St. Louis?

The conference will be held on Friday, September 22 and Saturday, September 23. On Sunday morning, September 24 there will be a special event with Carolyn for VIP ticket holders.

Hotel General Information

If you are interested in staying at the Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark, you can learn more about the hotel and its amenities [HERE](#). The hotel is located at 1 South Broadway, St. Louis, Missouri 63102 USA.

Accommodations

The Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark has extended a discounted room rate for our attendees. **Please note that a set number of rooms is available at the group rate until August 31, 2023 and reservations are first come, first served.** Should rooms no longer be available at the group rate, they may still be available at the hotel's regular rate. Additionally, there are several other hotels within walking distance or a short Uber or Lyft ride.

[Click HERE](#) to book your room directly with the hotel and take advantage of the group rate. After you click "Book a Room," make sure you see the blue banner that says "We're showing Modern Widows Club rates" (see following screenshot).

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Promotion / Offer code	Group code	Corporate account
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Check-in is at 4pm and check-out is at noon. If you are looking to share a room, we recommend that you first connect within your own MWC Community to see if a fellow Wister is also looking to share. Otherwise you can connect on our private WEE 2023 St. Louis Facebook group [HERE](#) to ask if other Wisters attending the conference are looking for a roommate.

Airport Transportation

The Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark is located in the heart of downtown St. Louis, 14 miles (20 minutes) from the St. Louis International Airport. The best way to get to the hotel from the airport is via Uber, Lyft, or taxi. The hotel does not offer an airport shuttle.

Hotel Parking

If you are driving or renting a car, there is onsite self-parking at the hotel for \$35 per day. Valet parking is also available for \$45 per day.

Do I need to be a Modern Widows Club member to attend?

Modern Widows Club is not a membership-based organization, and WEE 2023 St. Louis is open to all widows and daughters of widows.

Daughters support their mothers in widowhood, and with the knowledge that 70% of married women will one day become widowed, the opportunity to educate and empower women at a young age will change the trajectory of widowhood for future generations.

At WEE, daughters will have a special session for socializing and connecting on Friday morning before the General Session, along with private space throughout the conference to find their tribe and build friendships. Daughters are encouraged to attend all General and/or Breakout Sessions of interest to them. Daughters must be 18 years or older to attend the conference.

When should I arrive?

Registration and our Resource Hall will both be open on Friday morning. We recommend you arrive at least one day early so as not to miss any of the Friday sessions or activities.

Where can I find the WEE 2023 St. Louis agenda?

The WEE 2023 St. Louis agenda can be found on the [Events page](#) on our website. We are adding speakers and exhibitors regularly, so be sure to check back often. Please note that all session details and times are subject to change.

St. Louis is in the United States Central Time Zone. All times shown on the agenda are local St. Louis times.

What does my conference registration include?

Conference registration includes access to all general sessions, breakout sessions, lunch on Friday and Saturday (see following question), Resource Hall, evening sessions, dance party, and other non-VIP events. Special VIP opportunities are available for an additional fee. Travel costs, including airfare and hotel accommodations, are not included in the registration fee.

Are meals included in my WEE 2023 St. Louis registration?

Lunch on both Friday and Saturday are included in your registration fee. Be sure to contact us in advance if you have any concerns regarding allergies or dietary restrictions. Dinner is not included in your registration fee, though there are many dining options nearby (see following question).

Are there other dining options nearby?

The Hilton St. Louis at the Ballpark offers a few onsite dining and food options. Information about those can be found [HERE](#).

You can also have meals, beverages, groceries, toiletries, and more delivered to the hotel from hundreds of restaurants and stores using services such as [DoorDash](#) or [Uber Eats](#), and delivery times can easily be scheduled in advance.

If you'd prefer to dine offsite, there are numerous restaurants in the downtown area. You can learn more [HERE](#). You can also request an online or printed Explore St. Louis Visitors Guide [HERE](#).

Are there nearby shopping options and local attractions?

There's plenty of [great shopping](#) in St. Louis. WEE 2023 St. Louis will fill your day on Friday and Saturday, though if you are coming in early or staying longer you can explore the St. Louis area. We encourage you to connect with [Explore St. Louis](#).

The Modern Widows Club [Travel Club](#) will also be planning a separate trip to St. Louis (not included in WEE registration) prior to the conference to explore the area. Contact Janet at atectravel@aol.com to learn more about this experience or to reserve your spot.

What should I bring with me?

We recommend bringing business cards for networking. We will provide notebooks so all attendees can take notes, but suggest you bring a few pens. We encourage you to silence your phone and be present in each session. We will have coffee, tea, and water available all day.

What is the conference dress code?

Business casual attire is suggested. We also recommend that you dress as you feel comfortable. The average high temperature in St. Louis during September is in the mid-70s, with the average low temperature in the mid-50s, so pack accordingly. Remember to bring layers for the air-conditioned meeting space which may be quite cool. Rain in St. Louis is possible during September. We recommend that you check the St. Louis weather forecast before packing.

What should I wear to the dance party?

Come on Wisters, let's go party! On Saturday evening, get ready to celebrate an amazing weekend of empowerment. Our dance party theme is "It's a Barbie World," and we're embracing the power of all things pink! Come dressed to impress in your best Barbie-inspired outfit. Think pink, chic, glitz, glitter, and luxurious details that would make Barbie herself pink with envy.

For inspiration, just ask yourself, "What would Barbie do?" and let the plastic princess be your guide. In a Barbie world, you can be anything you dream!

Don't miss out on the fun — come and live your Barbie dreams. Life in plastic, it's fantastic!

Will speaker presentations be available for viewing after the event?

As of this writing, the presentations will not be recorded or available for purchase.

Will you have exhibitors at the conference?

We are carefully selecting sponsors and exhibitors to offer great resources for you. The Resource Hall will be open regularly on Friday and Saturday so you can connect with these sponsors and their services.

How can I learn more about sponsorship and exhibiting opportunities?

For more information about sponsorship and exhibiting, email wee@modernwidowsclub.org.

Will WEE 2023 St. Louis also be offered virtually?

WEE 2023 St. Louis is an in-person event only.

Be sure to sign up for our [Inside Look Newsletter](#) and engage on our [Modern Widows Club Facebook Page](#) to be kept up to date about our 2023 virtual WEE events along with all of our other upcoming events and activities!

Can I register in person at the conference?

We are unable to accept in-person registrations, so please plan accordingly. You can [register online](#) up to and including Thursday, September 21.

I would like to register someone else for the conference as a gift. How do I do this?

Please contact us at wee@modernwidowsclub.org to discuss your generous gift to a widow!

I've registered but am unable to attend. Can someone else attend in my place?

Please contact us at wee@modernwidowsclub.org to discuss your options.

I've registered but am unable to attend. Can I receive a refund for my registration fee?

Cancellations will be fully refunded up to 30 days prior to the event (August 22, 2023). Please contact us at wee@modernwidowsclub.org to request your cancellation. Cancellations within 30 days, please contact us at wee@modernwidowsclub.org.

COVID Safety

Modern Widows Club will adhere to all local, state, and national COVID requirements for the safety of all guests and presenters. Guidelines may change as the date for WEE 2023 St. Louis approaches and we will communicate with you should circumstances change. We encourage you to follow infection prevention precautions and to stay home should you feel ill.

I still have questions or have special needs. Who do I contact?

wee@modernwidowsclub.org