



University of Glasgow, 26th - 28th March

The 2010 NaSTA Annual Conference takes place on Friday 26th March - Sunday 28th March at the University of Glasgow.

It's the 38th edition of the event, which began in 1973. The centrepiece is the black tie dinner and awards ceremony, where stations compete for titles such as Best Broadcaster and Best Male & Female Presenter, as well as in fifteen more categories. This year, it takes place in the breathtaking architectural setting of [Òran Mór](#).

The conference also sees a number of interactive workshops and Q&A sessions fronted by members of the broadcast industry, including recent graduates, with an emphasis on training and development. In addition, attendees test their skills against the clock in the Golden Bodge competition, where stations record a short film with minimal planning time and no post production.

This document has complete information on tickets, travel and accommodation. Read on for full details of the weekend's activities, how to get here, and where to stay.

Tickets

You can purchase your tickets for NaSTA 2010 online now via [PayPal](#)

We're happy to say we've kept last year's price intact – your £40 ticket gives you access to all the weekend's events, including the opening night, workshops and the awards dinner and ceremony.

Itinerary

The event kicks-off on Friday night with the traditional welcome party, then Saturday is crammed full of industry workshops, inter-station events, and - of course – film making against the clock in the Golden Bodge.

The main event is the black-tie awards ceremony and dinner on Saturday night, followed by the after party - this promises to be a night to remember, with more awards and competition than ever before. Judges are selected from the television industry, and special guests will be on hand to present the trophies.

Sunday brings further workshops, annual NaSTA business, and the screening of the Golden Bodes.

Finally, to close the weekend, the return of the NASTies - if you don't know what they are, ask your station's veterans!

The full list & times of the weekend's events will appear [here](#) when they're confirmed.

NaSTA 2010 Awards

It's that time again - the annual NaSTA Awards, established 1973, and now in their 38th year.

This time we have eighteen categories -

News	Ident
Sport (NEW)	Title
Documentary	Live
Factual	Open
Drama	Technical
Comedy	Animation (NEW)
Entertainment	Male
Music	Female
VTM (Video-To-Music)	Best Broadcaster

Full details of how to submit your entries, as well as information on judges, will be available [here](#) from early February - keep an eye on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and your inbox for the official launch date.

Accommodation

We've teamed up with SeeGlasgow to offer NaSTA attendees accommodation at two city centre Premier Inn locations.

Twin rooms are priced at £30 per person per night, and there's a limited number of single rooms at £50 per night – these are available to [book online](#).

If you book via the above link, breakfast is included on both Saturday and Sunday, and your transport to and from campus for all the weekend's events will be provided by NaSTA 2010 at no cost to you.

Once booked, if you need to make any amendments, you can do so [here](#) by entering your booking reference and password as instructed.

Queries regarding our reserved Premier Inn rooms can be sent to:

Accommodation Booking Service, Glasgow City Marketing Bureau, 11 George Square, Glasgow G2 1DY

Tel: 0141 566 0821/0822; Fax: 0141 566 0810; Email: accommodation@seeglasgow.com

If you'd prefer to find accommodation elsewhere - either individually or for your station - GUST's Nailah Blissett will do her best to assist. Email her at accommodation@gust.tv

Travel By Air

Glasgow has a wide choice of direct flights from the rest of the United Kingdom. The city is served by two international airports, [Glasgow Airport](#) and [Glasgow Prestwick](#).

[Glasgow Airport](#) is closest to both the University of Glasgow campus and the city centre hotels.

You may find more competitively priced flights - from airports such as London Stansted or Bournemouth – to Glasgow Prestwick, however remember to factor in the cost of the additional train journey after arrival. Pricing offers are available for travel to/from Prestwick Airport train station - see [1/2 Price Rail Travel](#) for details.

[EasyJet](#) offers flights to Glasgow Airport from Luton, Stansted, Gatwick, Bristol & Belfast.

[RyanAir](#) has frequent offers on flights to Glasgow Prestwick.

Or you could try [BA](#), [bmibaby.com](#) and [flybe](#).

Travel By Rail

There is a fast intercity rail service which operates from many of the major towns in England, and a sleeper service from London to Glasgow. Journey time from London is about 5 hours.

[National Rail Enquiries](#) have a searchable timetable and useful journey planner. You will also find details on facilities at major UK stations.

[FirstScotrail](#) is Scotland's Rail Operator. There you'll find details on the West Highland Line, the North Highland Line and Caledonian Sleepers (overnight trains from Scotland to London). You will also find timetables, special ticket offers and other useful travel links.

[GNER](#) provide 8 trains per day to Glasgow from London. Their site provides on-line assistance, timetables, route information and details of special promotions.

[Virgin Trains](#) provide 7 trains per day from London to Glasgow, and their site also offers on-line booking, route maps, travel information and useful details on chosen destinations.

Also, see thetrainline.com for any other special offers.

Travel By Road

Glasgow is at the centre of a major road and rail hub, making road access easy.

The main M74 north/south motorway allows quick, easy access to Glasgow from the south. The Clyde Valley Tourist Route (via the A73, A72 and A702) offers motorists a relaxed and scenic alternative through the South Lanarkshire countryside.

Approaching from the north the M9 motorway takes you through North Lanarkshire to Glasgow, and from the east the M8 from Edinburgh travels through Glasgow city centre and beyond to the picturesque towns and villages of Inverclyde.

For additional information about driving in the UK including maps, route planners, and travel insurance visit the [Automobile Association](#) or the [Royal Automobile Club](#) and for up to date traffic and roadworks information visit [Traffic Scotland](#).

The motorway exit for the University of Glasgow is M8 Junction 18.

GUST's Emily Littler is on hand to help with any travel queries you may have - email her at travel@gust.tv

Parts of the above information were provided by Glasgow Convention Bureau.



Don't forget to keep an eye on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and your inbox for further details on the awards, judges, workshops & the full weekend's itinerary in the weeks ahead.

We look forward to seeing you in March!

[Carol Finch](#) – NaSTA 2010 Coordinator, [Gary Rodger](#) - GUST Controller

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