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## Pre-conference Workshops (Tuesday, March 4)

	Skills	Communication	Certification	Semantics
<b>8:00-9:00</b>	Registration and Coffee [Canyon Hall]			
<b>9:00-12:30 (includes 30 minute break)</b>	Data Modeling Fundamentals. Steve Hoberman [3]	The only thing constant is disruption, but there's hope! Laura Madsen [1]	CDMP Awareness Workshop and Exam. Marilú López Flores [2]	Enterprise Intelligence. Eugene Asahara [4]
<b>12:30-1:30</b>	Lunch [Canyon Hall]			
<b>1:30-5:00 (includes 30 minute break)</b>	Intermediate/Advanced Logical Data Modeling Case Study: "Let's have a picnic!" Steve Sewell [1]	Storytelling for Data Professionals. Liz Warren and Dr. Travis May [3]	CDMP (Continued) [2]	Knowledge Graph and RDF Fundamentals. Sumit Pal [4]

## The Main Event Day 1 (Wednesday, March 5)

	Skills	Technology	Case Studies	Semantics
<b>8:15-8:45</b>	Women in Data. Laura Madsen [1]			
<b>9:00-10:00</b>	The benefits of Domain-Driven Data Modeling. Pascal Desmarests [2]	Leveraging Large Language Models for Enhanced Data Modeling. Art Conroy [3]	Making An Impact with Models. Michael Magalsky [1]	Building Knowledge Graphs. Sumit Pal [4]
<b>10:15-11:15</b>	MBBA – From Use Cases to Star Schema Definitions with Model-Based Business Analysis. Peer M. Carlson [3]	A new paradigm for data modelers: JSON Relational Duality. Beda Hammerschmidt [1]	Impress your colleagues at lunch by creating a Conceptual Data Model on your napkin! Kasi Anderson and Laurel Sturges [2]	Knowledge Graph Structures Beyond Ontologies and Taxonomies. Eugene Asahara, Kyvos [4]
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<b>Keynote:</b> CRIME FIGHTER TO CRIME WRITER How A Police Captain Became a Best-Selling Author. Isabella Maldonado [Canyon Hall]			
<b>12:30-1:30</b>	Lunch [Canyon Hall]			
<b>1:30-2:30</b>	Building an Airplane Without a Wing. James M. Reneau, Ph.D. [3]	How to Model a Data Mesh for a Domain-centric Data Product. Anshuman Sindhar [4]	Gen AI, LLMs, and Database object modeling. Eve Danoff and Tinto Kurian [1]	The Modern Data Architect. Doug Needham [2]
<b>2:45-3:45</b>	CDMP you said, what is CDMP? Michel Hebert [4]	AI as Your Database Modeling Assistant. Steve Sewell [1]	Data Modeling at Nedbank SA. Thembeke Snethemba Jiyane [3]	Enterprise Model Patterns. David Hay [2]
<b>4:00-6:00</b>	Evening event: Casino Night! [Canyon Hall]			

## The Main Event Day 2 (Thursday, March 6)

	Skills	Technology	Case Studies	Semantics
<b>8:15-8:45</b>	It Takes a Village. R. Raymond McGirt [1]			
<b>9:00-10:00</b>	How To Translate Your Data Model Into An Ontology! Norman Daoust [2]	Just the Facts: Information Modeling with Business Communication. Marco Wobben, CaseTalk [4]	Marketing Data Modeling: The Generative AI Advancement. Kyle Allison, The Doctor of Digital Strategy [3]	Enhancing Semantic Clarity in Data Modeling. Howard Diesel [1]
<b>10:15-11:15</b>	Normalization Primer – 1NF through 6NF and Beyond! Pete Stiglich, Data Principles, LLC [4]	MongoDB Data Modeling for AI Workloads. Sig Narváez. [3]	Adaptable Analytics: Leveraging Dimensional Data Models for Industry-Specific and Cross-Industry Solutions. Jinnie Wong. [1]	Bridging the Gap: From Logical Data Models to Semantic Knowledge Models in Capturing Business Knowledge. Jeff Giles [2]
<b>11:30-12:30</b>	<p><b>Keynote:</b> Climbing Everest: Your Journey to Data Modeling Thought Leadership Howard Diesel [Canyon Hall]</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> DMBOK 3.0 Preview Mathias Vercauteren [Canyon Hall]</p>			
<b>12:30-1:30</b>	Lunch [Canyon Hall]			
<b>1:30-2:30</b>	DynamoDB Data Modeling using the Align > Refine > Design Approach. Pascal Desmaretz [2]	Elasticsearch Data Modeling using the Align > Refine > Design Approach. Rafid Reaz [3]	MongoDB Data Modeling using the Align > Refine > Design Approach. Daniel Coupal [3]	Neo4j Data Modeling using the Align > Refine > Design Approach. David Fauth [1]
<b>2:45-3:45</b>	How (and How Not) to Create Business Value Using Data. Larry Burns [1]	Transforming Enterprise Systems with 3D Integration and AI. Blair Kjenner and Kewal Dhariwal [4]	Healthy models for complex political systems. Lloyd Robinson & James Nettle [3]	<i>See you at DMZ 2026!!</i>
<b>4:00-5:00</b>	<p><b>Keynote:</b> From RDBMS to NoSQL Rick Houlihan [Canyon Hall]</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> Connecting Data Governance and Data Quality to Organizational Value Peter Aiken [Canyon Hall] and Closing Remarks</p>			

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