

TUESDAY
JULY 1

6:30PM – 10:00PM (Am. BR)
Opening Reception and Dinner

8:00PM – 9:00PM (Am. BR)
Yaron Brook: **What Is Western Civilization?**

WEDNESDAY
JULY 2

7:30AM – 8:30AM
First-Timer Breakfast
(Invitation Only)

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Am. BR North)
David Bakker,
Ray Schram,
Sam Weaver:
**Junior Intellectual
Talk Series**

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Agustina Vergara
Cid, Robertas Bakula:
**Junior Intellectual
Talk Series**

10:00AM – 11:30AM (Am. BR Center/South)
Onkar Ghate: **Saving the Enlightenment**

11:45AM – 1:30PM (Ess. BR)
Ben Bayer, Nikos Sotirakopoulos:
**Networking Lunch and Reading
Discussion: “For the New Intellectual”**
Tickets \$75

1:50PM – 3:20PM (Am. BR Center/South)
Brad Thompson: **Revolutionary
Constitutionalism**

3:40PM – 4:40PM
(Am. BR North)
Nikos Sotirakopoulos:
The Road to Fascism

3:40PM – 4:40PM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Peter Schwartz:
**Principles of a Proper
Foreign Policy**

5:00PM – 6:00PM
Introduction to Planned Giving – Happy Hour
(Invitation Only)

6:30PM – 8:30PM (Ess. BR)
OCON’s Got Talent

9:00PM – 12:00AM (Staff.)
Fifth Annual OCON Texas Hold ‘Em Poker
Championship Tournament

THURSDAY
JULY 3

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Am. BR North)
Brandon Lisi,
Audra Hilse:
**Junior Intellectual
Talk Series**

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Ess. BR)
Tristan de Liège,
Steven Warden,
Michael Mazza:
**Junior Intellectual
Talk Series**

10:00AM – 11:30AM (Am. BR Center/South)
Tal Tsfany: **Spreading Objectivism:
A Vision for ARI’s Future**

11:45AM – 1:30PM
Lunch Break

1:50PM – 3:20PM
(Am. BR North)
Shoshana Milgram:
**Allen Drury’s
Inspiring Political
Fiction: From *Advise
and Consent* (1959)
to *The Promise
of Joy* (1975)**

1:50PM – 3:20PM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Tara Smith,
Josh Windham,
Elan Journo:
**Reclaiming the
Fourth Amendment**

3:40PM – 4:40PM
(Am. BR North)
Amesh Adalja:
**Smallpox in 1721:
Boston, Boylston,
and Benjamin
Franklin**

3:40PM – 4:40PM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Audra Hilse,
Brandon Lisi, Elan
Journo (mod):
**Celebrating Ayn
Rand at the Ford
Hall Forum:
Archivists Panel**

5:00PM – 6:00PM (Ess. BR)
Swing Dance Lessons

7:00PM – 11:00PM (Library)
ARI’s Annual Gala

7:00PM – 12:00AM (Am. BR Center/South)
Double Feature Movie Night

FRIDAY
JULY 4

10:00AM – 11:30AM (Am. BR Center/South)
Ben Bayer: **America Should Declare
Independence from Altruism**

11:45AM – 12:30PM
Book Signing

1:00PM – 5:00PM
Scavenger Hunt

7:00PM – 9:00PM (Ess. BR)
Reception + Independence Day Celebration

~ 9:50PM
Boston Fireworks

SATURDAY
JULY 5

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Am. BR North)
Alex Silverman,
Nicolas Krusek:
**Junior Intellectual
Talk Series**

8:40AM – 9:40AM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Bendrix Bailey,
John Cerasuolo,
Loren Corle, Tal Tsfany
**Objectivism,
Business, and
Management**

10:00AM – 11:30AM (Am. BR Center/South)
Greg Salmieri: **Conceiving Values**

11:45AM – 1:30PM
ARU Lunch
(Invitation Only)

11:45AM – 1:30PM
Benefactors
and Atlantis
Legacy Luncheon
(Invitation Only)

1:50PM – 3:20PM
(Am. BR North)
Thomas Eiden,
Derek Sutherland,
Keith Lockitch (mod):
**Innovations in
Nuclear Technology**

1:50PM – 3:20PM
(Am. BR Center/South)
Jason Rheins: **The
Greek Enlightenment:
Lessons from the
Achievements and
Failures of the First
Age of Reason**

3:40PM – 4:40PM (Am. BR Center/South)
Don Watkins: **Enlightenment on Trial**

7:00PM – 12:00AM (Ess. BR)
Closing Reception and Dinner

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

OCON

BOSTON

THE OBJECTIVIST SUMMER CONFERENCE

JULY 1 – JULY 5, 2025

Visit the OCON website to
see full session descriptions.



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General Sessions

Concurrent Sessions

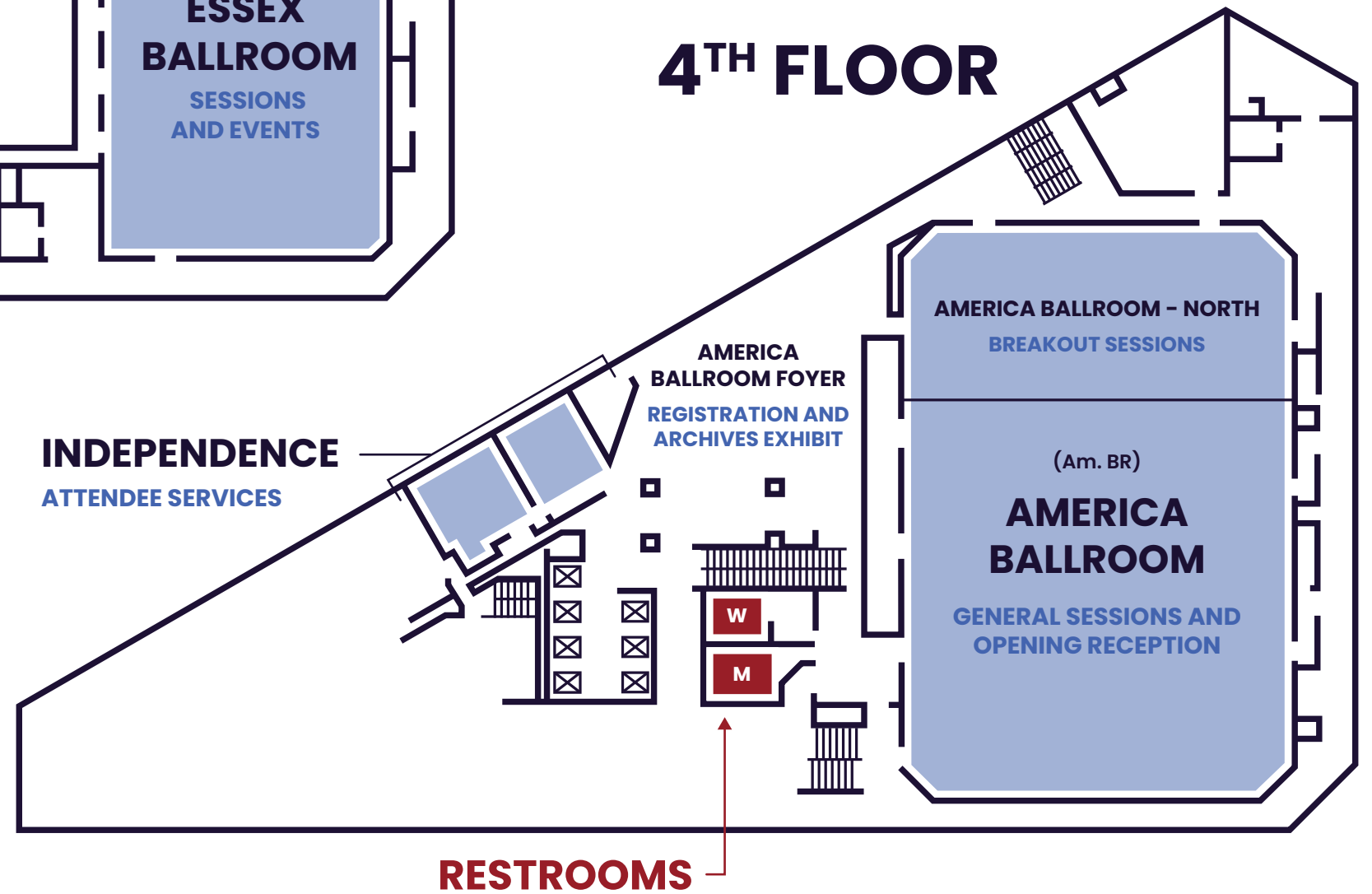
Social Events

Lunches

3RD FLOOR



4TH FLOOR



ARCHIVES EXHIBIT HOURS

OPEN THROUGHOUT THE CONFERENCE

GUIDED TOURS:

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2 – 1:15PM

THURSDAY, JULY 3 – 1:15PM

FRIDAY, JULY 4 – NO SCHEDULED TOUR, DISPLAY OPEN

SATURDAY, JULY 5 – 1:15PM

ROOM KEY:

Am. BR – American Ballroom

Staff. – Staffordshire

Ess. BR – Essex Ballroom