



# Rapport

"Connecting the Greater Cincinnati Construction Community"

## June Program <

June 9, 2010 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

### CSI and NAWIC Summer Kick-Off Cruise



The Cincinnati Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute and the National Association of Women in Construction, Cincinnati Chapter are kicking off the summer with a dinner cruise down the Ohio River. Join with your colleagues and friends in the construction industry for this special evening of celebration and fun. Spouses, significant others, and guests are welcome.

Go to [www.csicincinnati.org/chapter-program](http://www.csicincinnati.org/chapter-program) for more information and to register on-line.

## Upcoming Events <

June 9 CSI Annual Awards Cruise  
July 22 – 24 CSI Great Lakes Region Conference

## On the Website <

[www.csicincinnati.org](http://www.csicincinnati.org)

Check the **NEW AND IMPROVED** CSI Cincinnati Chapter Website often for new information

### News and Views

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### Events

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### Product Show

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### Membership

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### Committees

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## The Presidents View <



*In rivers, the water that you touch is the last of what has passed and the first of that which comes; so with present time. - Leonardo da Vinci*

June is here. It marks the end of our CSI Cincinnati chapter's fiscal year and the beginning of our summer break. It also marks the last of what has passed, the end of my term as President of your chapter, and the first of that which comes, our next leadership team. We are going to have a party to kick off the summer and celebrate the past. Our June meeting is going to be held on the Queen City Riverboat on June 9<sup>th</sup>. It

will be a relaxing evening cruising on the Ohio River with dinner and drinks and a short awards ceremony. We will again be joined by our friends from NAWIC. This riverboat cruise is the perfect way to end our year and start the summer break. See the website for details on departure time and directions, [www.csicincinnati.org](http://www.csicincinnati.org) and please register early so we can get a headcount.

It has been my privilege and an honor to have served this chapter for the last two years as President. Your new incoming President will be Bev Jacquez. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the board of directors and committee chairs that have given countless hours of their time to volunteer and help make your chapter better. It is because of their efforts that this chapter has remained strong and has grown. I had a goal two years ago to take the rich history of this chapter and to build on it. Your board has taken some positive steps towards achieving that. Our goal is to provide an enriching member experience.

Each member is an important part of the life of the chapter. Just as streams come together to fill a river and give it life and energy, our members give life to our chapter. I encourage each of you to enrich your experience by being active on a committee, serving as a board member and attending the meetings. You will get so much more out of your membership if you Get Involved. If you are not yet a member, come join us for a meeting and see all that CSI has to offer you

Here are some upcoming dates. The CSI Great Lakes Region Conference is in Columbus on July 22-24. Our next board meeting will be June 7<sup>th</sup> and all members are welcome to attend. We will start regular program meetings again in September. Check the website for additional events and education sessions being offered this summer.

Mark your calendars and come enjoy a night on the river to celebrate with old friends or meet new acquaintances. We hope you'll join us.

### Bob Schrock, CSI, CCPR

PPG Industries  
CSI Cincinnati Chapter President

*Rivers have what man most respects and longs for in his own life - a capacity for renewal and replenishment, continual energy, creativity, cleansing. - John Kauffman*

## May New Members, Welcome! <

Ms. Theresa A. Schneider, CSI

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**Mark your calendars now for the CSI Academies** <

**CSI Academies -- See where you fit into the construction community!**

- **Product Representation Academy:** Become a skilled product representative, who knows how to get into the spec, and how to stay there.
- **Construction Specifications Academy:** Let CSI teach you the best practices in specifying, LEED specs, and BIM data management.
- **Contract Administration Academy:** Gain skills for managing construction documentation, focused on front-end documents, including general conditions. Understand the roles, responsibilities and contractual obligations of the entire construction team.

Save the date! CSI Academies **February 24-26, 2011** in Dallas!

**Join the BIM Practice Group** <

CSI is expanding our role in Building Information Modeling through participation in the buildingSMART Alliance, IFD project, OmniClass Construction Classification System Development Committee, and in other ways. We have recently created a BIM Practice Group for members wishing to share ideas and work on standards as well as BIM practice guidelines.

Go to <http://www.csinet.org> to sign up!

**CSI Certification Exam** <

**Registration is now open for the Fall Certification Exams – Sept. 20-25, 2010.**

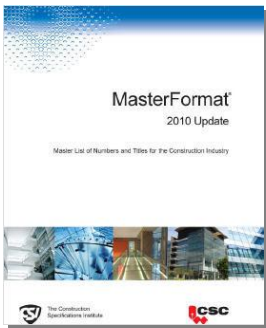
- Early Registration Deadline** July 20, 2010
- Final Registration Deadline** Aug. 20, 2010

Save up to \$195-- join CSI before you register

Go to [www.csincincinnati.org/certification](http://www.csincincinnati.org/certification) for more information, costs and how to register online as well as information on local study classes.

**CSI and CSC Announce 2010 Updates to MasterFormat** <

*Updates include a new division for water and wastewater equipment Revisions to existing pollution control equipment and concrete divisions*



ALEXANDRIA, Va. (April 27, 2010) – The [Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](http://www.construction-specifications.com) and [Construction Specifications Canada \(CSC\)](http://www.construction-specifications.com/csc) today announced updates to MasterFormat®, their flagship product used to organize construction documents for commercial, industrial and institutional building projects in the United States and Canada.

It is the first update under MasterFormat's new annual revision cycle, and it incorporates changes suggested by MasterFormat users. It is also the first time that CSI and CSC have defined a new division under the 50-division format adopted in MasterFormat 2004.

"These updates, combined with the new annual revision cycle, will ensure that MasterFormat remains current and provides the tools that all users need to do their jobs well," said CSI Executive Director and CEO Walter Marlowe, P.E., CSI, CAE. "The addition of the Water and Wastewater Division especially will help industry leaders keep up with new environmental standards by incorporating topics relating to sustainability and energy efficiency."

The primary changes include:

- A new division, Division 46 – Water and Wastewater Equipment, which significantly expands the document's coverage of environmental engineering specifications
- Revisions to Division 44 – Pollution and Waste Control Equipment, so that it complements the addition of the new Division 46

- New specifications related to polished concrete (Division 03)

The new Division 46 was developed in conjunction with a coalition of engineers, comprising representatives from 13 large consulting engineering firms, each with a significant practice in environmental engineering, and representatives from the [Water and Wastewater Equipment Manufacturers Association](http://www.waterandwastewater.com).

MasterFormat is a vital tool for the industry, assisting every discipline involved in design, construction and operations.

CSI and CSC designed the 50-division format of MasterFormat 2004 so that it can accommodate additional divisions and changes as the industry evolves. The 50-division format is now used in a majority of commercial projects in North America.

"It's important for legacy version users of MasterFormat to switch to the latest edition because it better meets the industry's needs and reflects the current standard of care in preparing construction documents," Marlowe said. "Also, master specifications and modeling software systems are phasing out the old 16-division format in favor of the 50-division format to aid data interoperability and the adoption of BIM tools."

"The new revision process helps CSI and CSC respond quickly to industry needs because it offers a greater level of predictability when it comes to resolving proposed changes," said CSC President Brian Colgan, RSW.

The MasterFormat revision process is conducted by the MasterFormat Maintenance Task Team (MFMTT), a committee of volunteers appointed by CSI, CSC and MasterFormat Sponsors (ARCAT, ARCOM, Building Systems Design, Inc., the Construction Sciences Research Foundation, Inc., McGraw-Hill Construction, and Reed Construction Data).

The next MFMTT's annual revision review workshop will take place late this summer and results from that meeting will be announced in spring 2011.

MasterFormat is the resource that aids project delivery by facilitating communication among architects, engineers, specifiers, contractors, suppliers and other consultants, which helps them meet building owners' requirements, timelines and budgets. By fostering fuller and more detailed construction specifications, MasterFormat is designed to reduce costly changes and delays in projects due to incomplete, misplaced or missing information. For more information, please visit [www.masterformat.com](http://www.masterformat.com).

**The 2010 Great Lakes Region Conference** <



**July 22-24, 2010, Hyatt Regency, Columbus, Ohio**

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