

***The Infor XA “BRAINSTORMING” User Conference***

***General Information and Hotels***

Date: **October 16, 2019** 7:30 a.m. to 4:50 p.m. Registration and Conference

Registration: [www.mkassoc.com](http://www.mkassoc.com) or call 616-532-5006 (x 4004)

Where: Grand Rapids, MI (GRR)  
**Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park** ([www.meijergardens.org](http://www.meijergardens.org))  
**1000 E. Beltline Ave., NE**  
**Grand Rapids, MI 49525**

Nearest Hotel: Country Inn & Suites (420 E. Beltline / Grand Rapids, MI 49506): **616-942-7000**  
The hotel is located at the intersection of E. Beltline and I-96, ¼ mile south of the Meijer Gardens.  
Guests may make reservations online at <http://www.countryinns.com>

Airport: Grand Rapids, Michigan (GRR)

Directions: About 10 minutes from the airport to the Meijer Gardens (or Country Inn)

- Follow signs out of the airport (you can only go west) to the first light (Patterson).
- Go right (north) to 28<sup>th</sup> Street (about two miles).
- At 28<sup>th</sup> Street, go right (east) for about ¼ mile to the I-96 freeway entrance (LEFT lane).
- Go (left) west on I-96 (toward Grand Rapids/Muskegon) for about 3-4 minutes.
- The second exit will be M-37/East Beltline. It exits to the right.

For the Country Inn from the Meijer Gardens, go RIGHT (north) on the E. Beltline and then do a 180 turn and go back south on the Beltline. The Country Inn will then be on the left (east) side.

**Other Hotels:** These are also convenient, and an extensive list is on the following pages.

**For a SPECIAL hotel experience downtown, the luxurious JW MARRIOTT is only 8-10 minutes from the Meijer Gardens. (616) 242-1500, as is the historic Amway Grand Plaza (616-774-200). There is also a Marriott Courtyard in downtown Grand Rapids: 616-242-6000.**

**More hotel options with easy access from the airport and about 5 minutes to the Meijer Gardens:**

Hilton Garden Inn Grand Rapids Airport (866-238-4218)  
2321 E. Beltline Ave., SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Double Tree by HILTON: 616-957-0100 - 4747 28<sup>th</sup> St., SE (Grand Rapids, MI)  
Courtyard Grand Rapids Airport: 616-954-0500 – 4741 28<sup>th</sup> St., SE (Grand Rapids, MI)  
Holiday Inn Express & Suites Airport: 616-940-8100 - 5401 28<sup>th</sup> St. Court, SE (Grand Rapids, MI)

**Here is a more extensive list of hotel options for the Conference**

<u>Hotel/Location</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>	<u>Distance to Frederick Meijer Gardens</u>
<b><u>Near Gerald R. Ford International Airport</u></b>		
Double Tree by Hilton - Grand Rapids Airport 4747 28th Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512	616-957-0100	7.1 Miles
Courtyard - Grand Rapids Airport 4741 28th Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512	616-954-0500	7.2 Miles
Holiday Inn Express & Suites 5401 28th Street Court, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546	616-940-8100	7.9 Miles
Country Inn & Suites 5399 28th Street Grand Rapids, MI 49512	616-977-0909	7.9 Miles
Crown Plaza Grand Rapids - Airport 5700 28th Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49546	616-957-1770	7.5 Miles
<b><u>Downtown Grand Rapids (within minutes)</u></b>		
Amway Grand Plaza 187 Monroe Ave. NW Grand Rapids, MI 49503	616-774-2000	5.7 Miles
Courtyard by Marriott - Downtown 11 Monroe Ave. NW Grand Rapids, MI 49503	616-242-6000	5.8 Miles
JW Marroitt Grand Rapids 235 Louis St. NW Grand Rapids, MI 49503	616-242-1500	5.7 Miles
Holiday Inn Grand Rapids Downtown 310 Pearl St. NW Grand Rapids, MI 49504	616-235-7611	6.3 Miles

City Flats Hotel Grand Rapids  
83 Monroe Center NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

616-451-1892

5.6 Miles

**VERY Near Frederik Meijer Gardens**

Country Inn and Suites East Beltline  
3251 Deposit Drive NE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

616-942-7000

0.6 Miles

## [Welcome to Grand Rapids, Michigan!](#)

Steeped in a strong tradition of art and design, Grand Rapids is home to the Grand Rapids Art Museum (GRAM), the world's first LEED-certified museum, the internationally-renowned Frederick Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park, Kendall College of Art & Design, the Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts, Grand Valley State University, the Michigan State University Medical School, several preeminent furniture design companies, and—the symbol of the city itself—Alexander Calder's La Grande Vitesse, the first public artwork sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Each year, Grand Rapids offers an increasingly diverse mix of arts and cultural events, expanding green spaces, biking and pedestrian paths, local businesses, and non-profit organizations, all contributing to the vitality of this truly collaborative community.

**The Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park** is the site for the XA User Conference. It has been listed in "1,000 Places to See Before You Die" and features the new Japanese Gardens. In addition, the Gardens is doing a 125 million dollar expansion, and this is partially complete. Meijer Gardens is easily accessible and has good parking at no charge.