

# ApacheMeetupsNA13

## ApacheCon North America 2013 Meetups

Every evening of the main conference (Tuesday-Thursday), we'll have various [Early Evening Community Events](#). From 8pm, we'll then switch over to project-specific and topic-area-specific events. These Meetups / [BoFs](#) (Birds Of A Feather) / Get-Togethers will all be on site, and are **free to all** - conference registration is not required to attend, and we hope to get plenty of local attendees too!

### Meetup/BoF Grid

Some meetups have been confirmed, and a few are still provisional. To help us plan, if you see a topic below that interests you, please +1 it so we know it has momentum. If your community isn't listed, add a new proposed talk in the "No Day Assigned" section, and we can confirm it nearer the time if there's demand!

Meetup Title/Link	Room	Organizer	Brief Description	Interested People Counter <i>Add one if you're interested any meetup!</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>				
Kafka Meetup	Galleria 1	Neha Narkhede		4
Tika Meetup	Galleria 2	Chris Mattman	Tika meetup + hackathon	3
<b>Wednesday</b>				
Lucene Meetup	Galleria 1	Erik Hatcher	Lucene meetup + hackathon	4
<b>Thursday</b>				
ApacheCon Europe 2013 /2014?	Galleria 1	Nick Burch	When do we want the next ACEU, and what should we ask of the producer for it?	6
<b>No Day Assigned</b>				
Incubator		Benson Margulies	anyone with questions about potential new projects at the ASF	1
SourceForge <3 Apache		Rich Bowen	Discussion of How SF assisted OpenOffice, and how we might assist other projects.	2
Software patents		Deb Nicholson	What can or should be done? How much risk is there for Apache projects?	2
FeatherCast		Rich Bowen	FeatherCast (feathercast.org) is the unofficial ASF podcast. Or, it was when I had more time. I need your help. Come hear about what FeatherCast is about and how you can be part of it	1

The main two rooms being used for Meetups are Galleria 1 and Galleria 2, which are on the lower level and host tracks during the day. Other rooms may be available too, ask at registration.

### Offsite Meetups

If you are hosting an Apache-related Meetup during the week of ApacheCon NA 2013 between 24th Feb and the 2nd March, please feel free to add the name, brief description, and a link to your Meetup page here. We would suggest that most Meetups try to occur during the 5 days of the Conference, but events on the weekends before and after can work too!

### What is a Meetup?

Read our detailed description of [ApacheMeetups](#) - they're similar to other Meetups, but focused on Apache projects or technologies - and they're often held in the evenings onsite at ApacheCon! .

### Sponsorship

Meetups are great, but meetups with drinks are often even better! If you might be able to help out by sponsoring a meetup, please see the [ApacheCon Sponsorship page](#)

### Available Rooms

*The Open Bastion will add details of the available rooms here later*