

# JOIN THE RANKS

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**Become a member of RIA!**

To join, visit [restorationindustry.org/join](http://restorationindustry.org/join)  
or contact RIA at 202.367.1180.



## About RIA

The Restoration Industry Association is comprised of a peer network of over 20,000 professionals representing more than 1,000 restoration and reconstruction service firms from around the globe. We are the restoration contractor's foremost resource for advanced education, professional practices, member advocacy, and cultivation of industry relationships.

As a member, you get access to all the benefits that RIA has to offer, including:

- Year-Round Educational Opportunities
- Industry-Leading Certifications
- Publications for Educating your Employees and your Customers
- The International Restoration Convention & Industry Expo
- And more!

Join the community of over **20,000 restoration and cleaning professionals** working together to maximize industry exposure and to advance the knowledge in the industry!

## AWARDS

RIA honors restoration professionals through three key awards presented annually at the International Restoration Convention and Industry Expo: the Patricia L. Harmon Golden Quill Award, the Martin L. King Award, and the Phoenix Awards for Excellence in Restoration and Excellence in Reconstruction.

### Patricia L. Harmon Golden Quill Award

This award is presented for the best article submitted to our publication *Cleaning & Restoration*.

### Martin L. King Award

This award is presented to individuals who are recognized for their exceptional service and dedication to restoration and reconstruction.



### Phoenix Award

The RIA Phoenix Awards are given for Excellence in Restoration and Excellence in Reconstruction to recognize conspicuously high achievement in the area of disaster restoration.

Visit [restorationindustry.org/awards](http://restorationindustry.org/awards) to view previous award winners.



## Continue to Learn Education and Training Opportunities with RIA

As a member of RIA, you have the unique opportunity to participate in numerous educational events throughout the year.

### The International Restoration Convention and Industry Expo

Attend the industry's premier event designed to bring together restoration and reconstruction professionals with industry vendors for networking and education. Learn about the latest trends in technology, best business practices, and network with leaders of the reconstruction and restoration industry.

### Webinar Series

RIA's monthly webinars focus on the most pressing issues facing the restoration industry. Members can attend these webinars at discounted rates and CEC credits are available for all webinars. Miss one of our webinars? As an RIA member, you will have **exclusive access** to our library of previously recorded webinars. By becoming a member, you will never miss out on the latest news and trends!

### In-Person Educational Courses

Throughout the year, RIA offers the numerous courses necessary to earn your RIA certifications, such as Project and Risk Management, Contents Science and Theory, and Building Science. Held at various locations around the U.S., Canada, and Australia, members from all of North America and Oceania are encouraged to participate.

### The RIA Online Store

Visit the one stop shop for all of your educational needs! From our industry standards and best practices, like our Accounting and Financial Management Guidelines (available in both U.S. and Canadian versions) to manuals, and exam study guides, the RIA Store is filled with resources to help you to succeed. RIA also has plenty of materials for your customers, including our "After the Disaster: the First 24 Hours" brochure and customer information pamphlets on various topics from drapery damage to caring for odors and colors in area rugs.



## Get RIA Certified Show off Your Expertise

Considered the premier certifications within the restoration industry, RIA oversees a variety of advanced certification programs. Within each specialty, candidates undertake a rigorous course of study and research culminating with a standardized certification exam. As an RIA certified restoration professional you are asserting your skill set, experience, and dedication to the industry and your peers.



### Certified Restorer (CR)

The Certified Restorer (CR) program focuses on damage repair and raising committed restorers to a higher level of professional ability. Education for the CR revolves around both buildings and personal contents property, and is based on the structure and nature of materials and the effects of various perils.



### Certified Mold Professional (CMP)

The Certified Mold Professional (CMP)'s objective is to raise committed mold remediators to a higher level of professionalism. The CMP emphasizes the interrelatedness of building systems and the predominance of situations where indoor environmental quality is impacted by multiple problems or contaminants.



### Water Loss Specialist (WLS)

The Water Loss Specialist (WLS) incorporates a rigorous course of self-study, combined with live learning, culminating in an intensive week-long certification school where candidates then sit for the WLS exam. The WLS Certification is recognized by insurance companies, building owners and managers, as well as the public and governmental authorities, as the achievement of excellence.

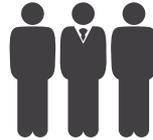
RIA helps make certification easy, by offering numerous pre-requisite courses and study guides available throughout the year. Certificants are honored each year at The International Restoration Convention & Industry Expo.

## RIA Membership Types

RIA is pleased to offer many different levels of membership. Find out which level is best for you and your company.



**Contractor Member**



**Branch Office Member**



**Franchisor Member**



**Franchisee Member**



**Vendor Member**



**Individual Professional  
Member**



**Student Member**

"In my opinion RIA is the life blood of our profession. On my own I may have twenty years of experience in this industry, but as a whole with my peers in RIA collectively, we have hundreds of years of experience that we can—and do—share. To me that means a lot and where ever I go, RIA comes with me." – *Mohammed Iftkhar*



## **Global RIA** **Connecting Restoration** **Professionals Internationally**

RIA is excited to broaden our efforts around the globe. RIA has recently expanded our international effort to now include educational courses in Canada and Australia.

### **International Offerings**



#### **Market-Specific Best Practices**

- RIA’s Canadian Accounting and Financial Management Guidelines

#### **Industry Educational and Networking options**

- Webinar Series
- Live courses in on a variety of topics, from updates to international standards to the business management principles.



#### **Industry Educational and Networking options**

- Australian RIA Day: A full day of education regarding the Australian restoration and reconstruction industry and networking with international industry leaders and vendors.
- Live courses taught for Australians by Australians and international industry leaders.

# How to Get Involved

Looking to get the most out of your RIA membership?  
Join one of our committees or councils.

## Councils and Committees include:

RIA councils and committees represent their respective segment of the restoration industry and develop programs and services that benefit and build the RIA membership.



### Canadian Council

- Canadian Young Professionals Restorers' Committee
- Canadian Education Committee



### Certification Committee



### Contents Council



### Education Committee



### Environmental Council



### Legal & Legislative Committee



### Membership Committee

- U.S. Young Professionals Restorers' Committee



### Restoration Council



### Vendor Council



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