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JUNE 3 - 4 SYDNEY CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTRE

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Our series of seminars dedicated to the selection, installation, care and maintenance of tile and stone will cover several major issues.

To register for free attendance call Felicity Stock on (03) 9888 2246 or email [atp@infotile.com.au](mailto:atp@infotile.com.au) by 1 p.m. Friday, 1st June 2007.

SUNDAY JUNE 3
<b>SESSION 1 — 1:00 - 1:45PM inc. Q&amp;A</b>
<b>EXAMPLES OF EFFECTIVE USE OF STONE, GLASS AND TILE</b> by Stephen Varady Multi award winning architect Stephen Varady will present contemporary examples of novel use of tile, stone and glass. Stephen Varady will discuss the potential for utilisation of these vital materials in our modern built environment.
<b>SESSION 2 — 1:50 - 2:30PM inc. Q&amp;A</b>
<b>DEVELOPING AN EFFECTIVE TEST PROGRAMME FOR SPECIFICATION AND SELECTION OF NATURAL STONE</b> by Jim Mann (Stone Initiatives) Jim Mann reveals how architects and project managers can liaise with stone producers to develop an effective series of tests that will take the surprises out of specifying stone.
<b>Coffee Break - 2:30 - 2:45 PM</b>
<b>SESSION 3 — 2:45 - 3:30 PM</b>
<b>WHAT IS A PORCELAIN TILE?</b> by Richard Bowman Richard Bowman (Intertile Research Pty Ltd) will use the groundbreaking Brazilian Standards for porcelain tiles as a basis for defining porcelain tiles, and identifying appropriate requirements for their dimensional tolerances, surface quality and physical properties. Should Australia adopt a similar standard?
<b>SESSION 4 — 3:35 - 4:20PM</b>
<b>MINIMISING CALCIFICATION STAINING ON BUILDING EXTERIORS</b> by Colin Cass With renewed pressure being applied for efflorescence or calcification staining to be regarded as a building defect, some analysis of this common problem is due. Colin Cass will reveal how this white staining that particularly affects the exteriors of masonry structures can be all but eliminated.

MONDAY JUNE 4
<b>SESSION 1 — 10:30 - 11:15 AM inc. Q&amp;A</b>
<b>EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE AND SEALING OF TILE AND STONE</b> by Michael Strine Michael Strine of Spirit Marble & Tile Care examines the topical subject of effective maintenance and sealing of a variety of products including porcelain and marble. An increasing number of manufacturers pre-seal their tiles. However, most imported polished porcelain requires sealing. Michael Strine will reveal some simple tests that can be carried out to determine if a product requires sealing.
<b>SESSION 2 — 11:20 - 12:25 PM inc. Q&amp;A</b>
<b>SPOT FIXING - THE RIGHT WAY</b> by Fred Gray Fred Gray of Laticrete focuses on spot fixing. A fixing method that is endorsed in the Tile Council of America handbook, but can create problems if the wrong materials are applied in the wrong location.
<b>Lunch Break - 12:25 - 1:30 PM</b>
<b>SESSION 3 — 1:30 - 2:15PM inc. Q&amp;A</b>
<b>"WHAT AUSTRALIAN STANDARDS SAY IS BAD TILING"</b> by Colin Cass With the revision of the Australian Standard on Tile Installation, it is time to check out how tilers and the whole industry will be affected by some tough new guidelines. Colin Cass of NSW TAFE explains how the quality of a tile installation is likely to be judged.
<b>SESSION 4 — 2:20 - 3:05PM</b>
<b>CURRENT TILE TRENDS - TROUBLESHOOTING INSTALLATIONS</b> by Gary Schwarz Gary Schwarz of Davco Construction Materials discusses some of the key trends in the tile industry related to increased use of stack stone on walls, glass mosaics and large format porcelain tiles. Each of these tile types has its own idiosyncrasies that have to be carefully considered. We discuss identifying the correct tile types, proper surface preparation, and utilising the correct fixing and grouting techniques to ensure a successful installation.
<b>Coffee Break - 3:05 - 3:20 PM</b>
<b>SESSION 5 — 3:20 - 4:05PM</b>
<b>THE IMPORTANCE OF SLIP RESISTANCE REALITY</b> by Richard Bowman Richard Bowman (Intertile Research Pty Ltd) will present some simple truths about the slip resistance of materials. He will reveal some critically important aspects about the forthcoming changes to the Australian slip resistance standards, before considering whether there are appropriate criteria for various locations, including residences.



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