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Pearl S. Buck International Breaks Ground on New Conference and Event Center



Pearl S. Buck International has broken ground on its new Conference and Event Center, with construction slated for completion in February 2021.

Pearl S. Buck—author, activist, and humanitarian—first became committed to bridging cultures and changing lives after experiencing discrimination as a child with blonde hair and blue eyes in China and then witnessing with disbelief discrimination against minorities in America. These experiences inspired her passionate commitment to civil rights and social justice.

Today, over 100,000 children and community members facing discrimination are impacted annually through programs that provide them with education and medical care. In addition, through engaging tours of the Pearl S. Buck House National Historic Landmark and public programs, visitors are inspired to take action and make a difference in the lives of those in need.

To grow these programs and impact more lives than ever before, Pearl S. Buck International began a capital campaign in 2018 to expand the current Welcome Center located on its Hilltown, PA property into an updated, multipurpose Conference and Event Center to be a hub for diverse, cross-cultural, and community-centered conversation and action. The Conference and Event Center at Pearl S. Buck International will be:

- A place where people of different experiences, cultures, and beliefs can gather in critical conversations to engage each other in innovative ways.
- A place where educators, students, law enforcement, business people and every day Americans and visitors from around the world can take a respite from their hectic lives in the beautiful setting of the Pearl Buck estate.
- A place where visitors can be inspired and renewed so they can reengage their communities with an even wider perspective of humanity.

The Conference and Event Center will not only host Pearl S. Buck International signature events and programs such as Welcome Workplace cross-cultural diversity and inclusion training and the High School Global Leadership Program, but will provide the perfect venue in a beautiful, serene 60+ acre setting for business meetings and retreats, community and civic gatherings, weddings, and family parties for visitors from the Bucks County and greater surrounding area. There will be plenty of space inside the brand-new Conference and Event Center for socially-distanced events should that still be required once the renovated space opens. For more information, go to <https://pearlsbuck.org> or call 215-249-0100.

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Pearl S. Buck International® provides opportunities to explore and appreciate other cultures, builds better lives for children around the globe and promotes the legacy of our founder by preserving and interpreting her National Historic Landmark Home.

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