






FREE Web Exposure – This is a reminder for all chambers, local organizations, businesses, etc. to make sure to enter their business listing on the DART website. You only need to enter your information once and it goes to the DART site and to Visit Maine. You can update your listing anytime you wish from either site with the same login information. Also, don't forget to let everyone know that packages and events should be listed too—even small local events are of interest. Take advantage of this FREE Marketing Opportunity. The website is www.downeastacadia.com. If you need assistance, feel free to call the office at 546-3600.





Keep in mind:

-  If you'd like us to come and make a presentation to businesses in your area about the site and how to submit your listings, let us know.
-  If you notice that some tourism businesses in your area that are not listed, but should be, let them know that this is FREE marketing (and if there are any that have gone out of business that we should remove).
-  The site is a work in progress--we need you to let us know how we can continue to make it better!

Governor's Conference on Tourism will take place on February 10, 2009 at the Marriott Sable Oaks in South Portland. The theme this year is "Navigating Change." For more information as it becomes available, visit www.mainetourismconference.com.

DART Sub grant Opportunity - Deadline January 16, 2009 - If there is a tourism project in your area that would be a great pilot project for the DART region or would be of value to your entire sub region, check out the possibility of applying for a sub-grant. The RFP, details on the program and how to apply are online <http://www.downeastrcd.com> (scroll down and click on the maroon button DownEast & Acadia Regional Tourism -- There is a lot of DART information here, including the RFP). Or feel free to contact the office at 546-3600 or info@downeastacadia.com.

Mark Your Calendars!!!! -- The Quarterly DART Meetings for 2009 are:

-  February 17th 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Cherryfield
-  May 12th 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Machias
-  September 15th 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Ellsworth
-  November 17th 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Cherryfield



Happy Holidays and Best Wishes for 2009!



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