

Conventions and Conferences 1949–1997

	1st Annual Convention	2nd Annual Convention	3rd Annual Convention
Date	1949 October 27–29	1950 Fall	1951 Fall
Location	New York	New York	New York
Chairman	C. J. LeBel		
	4th Annual Convention	1st West Coast Convention	5th Annual Convention
Date	1952 October 29–November 1	1953 Spring	1953 October 14–17
Location	New York	Los Angeles	New York
Chairman			
	2nd West Coast Convention	6th Annual Convention	3rd West Coast Convention
Date	1954 February 4–6	1954 October 14–16	1955 February 11–13
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Los Angeles
Chairman			
	7th Annual Convention	4th West Coast Convention	8th Annual Convention
Date	1955 October 12–15	1956 Spring	1956 September 26–29
Location	New York	Los Angeles	New York
Chairman			
	9th Annual Convention	5th West Coast Convention	10th Annual Convention
Date	1957 October 8–12	1958 Spring	1958 September 29–October 3
Location	New York	Los Angeles	New York
Chairman			Donald J. Plunkett
	6th West Coast Convention	11th Annual Convention	7th West Coast Convention
Date	1959 February 16–20	1959 October 5–9	1960 March 8–11
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Los Angeles
Chairman	Harry L. Bryant	Harry L. Bryant	Walter T. Selsted
	12th Annual Convention	8th Spring Convention*	13th Annual Convention
Date	1960 October 11–14	1961 April 4–7	1961 October 9–13
Location	New York	Los Angeles	New York
Chairman	Harry F. Olson	Pell Kruttschnitt	Hermon H. Scott
	9th Spring Convention	14th Annual Convention	10th Spring Convention
Date	1962 March 20–23	1962 October 15–19	1963 March 13–15
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Los Angeles
Chairman	William H. Thomas	H. E. Roys	Hubert W. Pierce
	15th Annual Convention		
Date	1963 October 14–18		
Location	New York		
Chairman	Floyd K. Harvey		
	11th Spring Convention		
Date	1964 March 17–20		
Location	Los Angeles		
Chairman	Hubert W. Pierce		
	16th Annual Convention		
Date	1964 October 12–16		
Location	New York		
Chairman			
	12th Spring Convention		
Date	1965 April 27–30		
Location	Los Angeles		
Chairman	William L. Robinson		

*West Coast Conventions were renamed Spring Conventions.



The program for the Society's 1st Annual Convention, in New York City in 1949, lists 22 papers in four technical sessions. Forty-five companies exhibited. The 103rd Convention (above), September 1997, included 132 papers grouped into 16 sessions. Exhibitors totaled 370.

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	17th Annual Convention	13th Spring Convention	31st Convention**
Date	1965 October 11–15	1966 April 25–28	1966 October 10–14
Location	New York	Hollywood	New York
Chairman	Hugh S. Knowles	DeWitt F. Morris	Daniel R. von Recklinghausen
	32nd Convention	33rd Convention	34th Convention
Date	1967 April 24–27	1967 October 16–19	1968 April 29–May 2
Location	Hollywood	New York	Hollywood
Chairman	John P. Jarvis	Emil P. Vincent	Don Davis
	35th Convention	36th Convention	37th Convention
Date	1968 October 21–24	1969 April 28–May 1	1969 October 13–16
Location	New York	Hollywood	New York
Chairman	J. G. Woodward	A. R. Soffel	George W. Bartlett
	38th Convention	39th Convention	1st Central Europe Convention
Date	1970 May 4–7	1970 October 12–15	1971 March 16–18
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Cologne
Chairman	Hugh S. Allen, Jr.	John M. Eargle/Harry A. Pearson	Peter Burkowitz
	40th Convention	41st Convention	2nd Central Europe Convention
Date	1971 April 27–30	1971 October 5–8	1972 March 14–16
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Munich
Chairman	William P. Brandt	John M. Eargle	Peter Burkowitz
	42nd Convention	43rd Convention	44th Convention
Date	1972 May 2–5	1972 September 12–15	1973 March 20–22
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Rotterdam
Chairman	Leon A. Wortman	Don Powers	Peter Burkowitz
	45th Convention	46th Convention	47th Convention
Date	1973 May 15–18	1973 September 10–13	1974 March 26–29
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Copenhagen
Chairman	Hal Michael	David L. Klepper	Erik Rørbaek Madsen
	48th Convention	49th Convention	50th Convention
Date	1974 May 7–10	1974 September 9–12	1975 March 4–7
Location	Los Angeles	New York	London
Chairman	Glen T. Glancy	Sidney Feldman	Raymond E. Cooke
	51st Convention	52nd Convention	53rd Convention
Date	1975 May 13–16	1975 October 31–November 3	1976 March 2–5
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Zurich
Chairman	William L. Cara	Rodney D. Titcomb	Eugen Spörri
	54th Convention	55th Convention	56th Convention
Date	1976 May 4–7	1976 October 29–November 1	1977 March 1–4
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Paris
Chairman	Mark Engebretson	Geoffrey M. Langdon	Jean W. Rémoiut
	57th Convention	58th Convention	59th Convention
Date	1977 May 10–13	1977 November 4–7	1978 February 28–March 3
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Hamburg
Chairman	Robert Rypinski	Judith Sherman	Jörg Sennheiser
	60th Convention	61st Convention	62nd Convention
Date	1978 May 2–5	1978 November 3–6	1979 March 13–16
Location	Los Angeles	New York	Brussels
Chairman	C. Dale Manquen	Almon Clegg	Hermann A. O. Wilms
	63rd Convention	64th Convention	65th Convention
Date	1979 May 15–18	1979 November 2–5	1980 February 25–28
Location	Los Angeles	New York	London
Chairman	Martin I. Polon	Erik Porterfield	Laurie Fincham

**Numbering of Annual and Spring Conventions were combined.

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	66th Convention	67th Convention
Date	1980 May 6–9	1980 October 31–November 3
Location	Los Angeles	New York
Chairman	Carolyn Davis	Timothy Cole
	68th Convention	69th Convention
Date	1981 March 17–20	1981 May 12–15
Location	Hamburg	Los Angeles
Chairman	Jörg Sennheiser	John M. Eargle
	70th Convention	71st Convention
Date	1981 October 30–November 2	1982 March 2–5
Location	New York	Montreux
Chairman	John R. French	Larry R. Frandsen
	1st International Conference	72nd Convention
Date	1982 June 3–6	1982 October 23–27
Location	Rye, New York	Anaheim
Chairman	Bart Locanthi/Barry Blesser/ Thomas G. Stockham, Jr.	Robert Trabue Davis
	73rd Convention	74th Convention
Date	1983 March 15–18	1983 October 8–12
Location	Eindhoven	New York
Chairman	Jacob L. Menger	Albert B. Grundy
	75th Convention	2nd International Conference
Date	1984 March 27–30	1984 May 11–14
Location	Paris	Anaheim
Chairman	Richard Garrido	John M. Eargle
	76th Convention	77th Convention
Date	1984 October 8–11	1985 March 5–8
Location	New York	Hamburg
Chairman	Gary Rosen	Reinhard O. Sahr
	78th Convention	79th Convention
Date	1985 May 3–6	1985 October 12–16
Location	Anaheim	New York
Chairman	Dean Austin	Larry S. King
	4th International Conference	81st Convention
Date	1986 May 15–18	1986 November 12–16
Location	Rosemont, Illinois	Los Angeles
Chairman	Robert B. Schulein	Laurel Cash
	5th International Conference	2nd Regional, Tokyo***
Date	1987 May 1–3	1987 June 17–19
Location	Los Angeles	Tokyo
Chairman	John Strawn	Takeo Yamamoto
	84th Convention	6th International Conference
Date	1988 March 1–4	1988 May 5–8
Location	Paris	Nashville
Chairman	François Eckert	Ted Uzzle
	85th Convention	86th Convention
Date	1988 November 3–6	1989 March 7–10
Location	Los Angeles	Hamburg
Chairman	Marshall Buck	Reinhard O. Sahr
	4th Regional, Tokyo	87th Convention
Date	1989 June 27–29	1989 October 18–21
Location	Tokyo	New York
Chairman	Sumumu Matsuoka	Glen Ballou



AES West Coast members began organizing conventions in Spring 1953. (Above) Hollywood's casual glamour provided an inviting environment for the expanding business of the Society.

1st Regional, Australia***

1984 September 25–27
Melbourne
Brian K. Horman

3rd International Conference

1985 June 20–21
Tokyo
Takeo Yamamoto

80th Convention

1986 March 4–7
Montreux
Larry R. Frandsen

82nd Convention

1987 March 10–13
London
Roger Furness

83rd Convention

1987 October 16–19
New York
Randy Hoffner

3rd Regional, Australia

1988 August 16–18
Melbourne
Brian K. Horman

7th International Conference

1989 May 14–17
Toronto
Ken Pohlmann

88th Convention

1990 March 13–16
Montreux
Mario Rossi

***Initially regional events were numbered sequentially together. They are now numbered separately.

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	8th International Conference	89th Convention	9th International Conference
Date	1990 May 3–6	1990 September 21–25	1991 February 1–2
Location	Washington, DC	Los Angeles	Detroit
Chairman	Skip Pizzi	Ron Streicher	Wieslaw Woszczyk
	90th Convention	5th Regional, Tokyo	3rd Regional, Australia
Date	1991 February 19–22	1991 July 2–4	1991 August 20–22
Location	Paris	Tokyo	Melbourne
Chairman	Jean-Claude Thobois	Takeo Yamamoto	Brian K. Horman
	10th International Conference	91st Convention	92nd Convention
Date	1991 September 7–9	1991 October 4–8	1992 March 24–27
Location	London	New York	Vienna
Chairman	Jeff Baker	Jerry Bruck	Ewald Kerschbaum
	11th International Conference	93rd Convention	94th Convention
Date	1992 May 29–31	1992 October 1–4	1993 March 16–19
Location	Portland, OR	San Francisco	Berlin
Chairman	Richard C. Cabot	Leo de Gar Kulka	Reinhard O. Sahr
	6th Regional, Tokyo	12th International Conference	4th Regional, Australia
Date	1993 June 23–25	1993 June 28–30	1993 August 24–26
Location	Tokyo	Copenhagen	Melbourne
Chairman	Akira Asakura	Søren Bech	Peter Blackmore
	95th Convention	96th Convention	97th Convention
Date	1993 October 7–10	1994 February 26–March 1	1994 November 10–13
Location	New York	Amsterdam	San Francisco
Chairman	Leonard Feldman	Han Tendeloo	Marina Bosi/David Robinson
	13th International Conference	98th Convention	5th Regional, Australia
Date	1994 December 1–4	1995 February 25–28	1995 April 26–28
Location	Dallas	Paris	Sydney
Chairman	Tom Roseberry	Jean-Claude Thobois	Michael J. Falk
	7th Regional, Tokyo	99th Convention	100th Convention
Date	1995 June 21–23	1995 October 6–9	1996 May 11–14
Location	Tokyo	New York	Copenhagen
Chairman	Yoshizo Sohma	Ham Brosius/Russ Hamm	Subir K. Pramanik
	6th Regional, Australia	101st Convention	102nd Convention
Date	1996 September 10–12	1996 November 8–11	1997 March 22–25
Location	Melbourne	Los Angeles	Munich
Chairman	Rod Brown	Van Webster	Günther Theile
	14th International Conference	8th Regional, Tokyo	103rd Convention
Date	1997 June 13–15	1997 June 25–27	1997 September 26–29
Location	Seattle	Tokyo	New York
Chairman	David Johnson/Ken Pohlmann/Aurika Hays	Akihiko Takasu	Russ Hamm



The 20th anniversary of AES conventions in Europe was celebrated at the 88th Convention, in Montreux in 1990. Most of the chairmen of those early conventions were on hand to receive a vote of thanks for their contributions.