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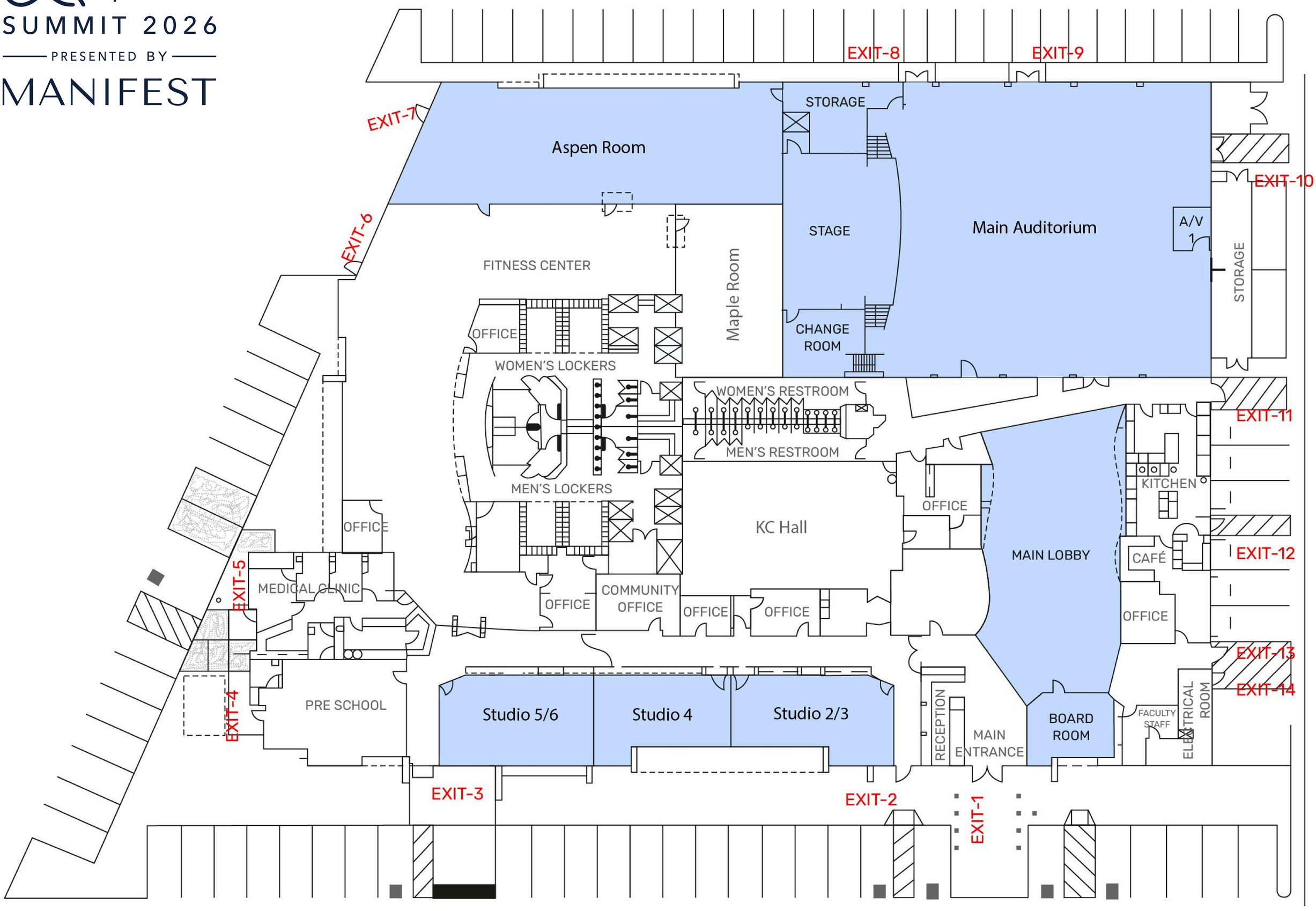

ICC FLOOR PLAN AND OAS'26 AGENDA

Main Auditorium

Morning | Saturday, August 22

10:00 AM — **An Immigrant's Journey from Engineer to Venture Capitalist** — Fireside
- **Bhaskar Ghosh (Partner at 8VC)**

10:30 AM — **The Founder Playbook - Lessons from Building, Scaling, and Surviving** — Fireside
- **Prabakar Sundarrajan** (Founder @ The Fabric; Fmr CSO @ Juniper Networks CMBU)

11:00 AM — **From Scientist to Founder to Investor: Reinventing Yourself in America** — Fireside
- **Preetha Ram** (MD @ Pier 70 Ventures; Fmr Dean @ Emory Univerisity)

11:30 AM to 4:00 PM
Events in other rooms

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
Lunch break

Evening | Saturday, August 22

4:15 PM — **What Happens Inside USCIS** — Fireside
- **Ricky Murray** (Founder @ JET Global Solutions; Fmr Division Chief EB5 IPO @ USCIS),
- **Michael Valverde** (Fmr Assosciate Director of Field Operations @ USCIS)

4:35 PM — **Immigration Policy Changes in 2026: What's Real and What's Noise** — Fireside
- **Sharvari Dalal** (Government Relations @ AILA; Fmr Chief Counsel @ USCIS),
- **April Padilla** (Fmr Adjudication Officer and Fraud Chief @ USCIS),
- **Robby Villanueva** (Head of Success @ Lighthouse HQ)

4:55 PM — **The Immigrant Advantage: Building Businesses That Create American Opportunity** — Keynote
- **John Shen** (CEO @ American Lending Center)

5:15 PM — **What We Build From Here** — Closing Remarks
- **Jeff Joseph (AILA President; President @ Manifest Law),**
- **Evan Law (Immigration Attorney @ Manifest Law)**

Other Rooms

11:30 AM to 4:00 PM | Saturday, August 22

	Aspen	Studio 2/3	Studio 4	Studio 5/6
11:30 AM	**O-1, NIW, EB-1A: Are You Actually Qualified?** • **Ramiro** (CEO @ Tukki), • **Daniel Larson** (Founder @ Larson Legal), • **Deshna** (Immigration Attorney @ Larson Legal), • **Evan Law** (Immigration Attorney @ Manifest Law), • **Lahaina Araneta Mcbeth** (Immigration Attorney @ Manifest Law)	**Bootstrapped to $1M ARR: How Founders Get There Without VC Money** • **Nitin Bajaj** (Entrepreneur; Host @ INDUStry Show)	**Return-to-India Playbook: Career, Money, Family, and Timing** • **Nupur Dave** (NRI Expert & Author)	**Inside the FAANG Hiring Black Box: What Really Gets You Hired** • **Abhijay Vuyyuru** (PM @ YouTube), • **Jugal Bhatt** (AI @ AWS), • **Shreya** (Career Coach; ex-Uber)
12:15 PM	**Alternatives to H-1B: The Visas Nobody Talks About** • **Erica Harris** (Director of Growth @ American Immigration Council), • **Craig Montuori** (Founder @ Global EIR), • **Frederic Ollivier** (Immigration Attorney @ Manifest Law), • **Sweta Kandelwal** (Principal Immigration Attorney @ Law Offices of Sweta Khandelwal)	**Deep Tech Startups: AI, Space, and the Frontier** • **Raj Pai** (VC; Fmr Chief Technologist @ NASA), • **Anshu Agarwal** (Partner @ Converge VC), • **Pranjal Mehta** (Founder; ex-ePlane)	**Adjustment of Status vs. Consular Processing** • **Duden Freeman** (Founder @ Visas 101; Fmr Consular Officer), • **Douglas Pierce** (Fmr USCIS Supervisor)	**Making EB-5 More Achievable: Process, Smart Financing, and Key Considerations** • **Priyal Shah** (EB5 Recipient), • **Phuong Le** (Partner @ KLDP), • **Bhuplesh Gupta** (VP @ Zen EB5)

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM
Lunch break

2:00 PM	**Your Career Needs a Brand: How to Stand Out in Tech** • **Sriram Arumelli** (AI Product @ AlphaNet), • **Veeraj Gadda** (Manager @ Paypal), • **Jugal Bhatt** (AI @ AWS), • **Varun Negandhi** (Founder @ Beyond Grad)	**How Immigrants Quietly Build $10M+ Net Worth** • **Arjun Bhasin** (Meta, Short Term Rentals Expert), • **Nitin Bajaj** (Host @ INDUStry Show)	**Laid Off on H1B - What Are My Options?** • **Agnna Varinia Guzman** (Immigration Attorney @ Manifest Law), • **Chandler Carney** (Immigration Attorney @ Jumpstart Immigration)	**Not an Engineer? How Immigrants Win in Marketing, Construction & Media** • **Anushk Sharma** (Head of Growth), • **Parth Vijayvergiya** (Sr. Project Engineer @ DPR Construction), • **Sagnik Basu** (Exec Producer @ Washington Post), • **Anjali Nair** (Sr. Product Marketing Manger @ Fintech)
2:45 PM	**Pitching to VCs as an Immigrant Founder** • **Jyotika Gupta** (Partner @ Z21 Ventures), • **Dhravya Shah** (Founder @ Supermemory), • **Dave Eyerly** (Founder @ Crosswater Capital), • **Sai Suhas** (Founder @ WINPRA)	**EB-5, Gold Card, or Wait It Out?** • **Phuong Le (Partner @ KLDP),** • **Chaitrali Karve (Sr. Director @ LCR Capital),** • **Nikin Tharan** (FINRA Registered Rep)	**EB-1A: What Are My Odds?** • **Rathnakumar Udayakumar** (EB-1A Recipient), • **Zach Zacharia** (Founder @ Carnegie Evaluations), • **Chandler Carney** (Immigration Attorney @ Jumpstart Immigration)	**The Human Edge: What Becomes More Valuable in the Age of AI** • **Alime Karimova** (Head of Events @ Bizly), • **Hashim Syed** (AI GTM @ Google), • **Shivesh Sood** (AI Product Lead @ HBS Foundry)
3:15 PM	**Building a Voice, Building a Career: Content Creation as a Career Strategy for Immigrants** • **Devshree Bharatia** (Sr. SWE @ Walmart), • **Kavitha Lakshminarasaiah (**Data Engineer @ Snowflake),	**Consular Interviews in 2026: How To Not Get Denied at the Window** • **Duden Freeman** (Founder @ Visas 101; Fmr Consular Officer)	**Cracking YC, gBeta and other accelerators : What Actually Gets You In** • **Lajja Shah** (Fmr. Fellow @ YC), • **Craig Montuori** (Director @ gener8or), • **Hemant Gangolia** (Founder @ Rally Tax)	**When Does Litigation Make Sense? Delays, Denials, and USCIS Accountability** • **John Pratt** (Partner @ Kurzban), • **Matthew Khalili** (EB5 Investment Advisor)

4:00 PM Onwards
Sessions continue in Main Auditorium