

Calendar of Events

January 22, 2026

PNSQC Quality Jam 2026 - Kick Off the Year with Ideas, Insight, and Inspiration

University Place Hotel and Conference Center

310 SW Lincoln St

Portland, OR 97201

05:00 PM - 08:00 PM PST

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Join the software quality community on January 22, 2026 for the PNSQC Quality Jam, our annual lightning-talk event that officially kicks off the PNSQC Call for Papers and sets the tone for the year ahead.

A long-standing PNSQC tradition, the Quality Jam features fast-paced 8-minute talks from leaders and practitioners across software testing, quality engineering, leadership, and emerging technologies. These short, idea-driven sessions are designed to spark conversation, inspire new perspectives, and help shape future conference submissions.

This year the speaker lineup includes:

"Testing the Future: From Testing Code to Testing Intelligence" with Premi Vinayagam from Jama software

"The OWASP Top 10 Isn't a Vulnerability List—It's a Mirror: What 2025 Tells Us About Supply Chain Security" with Caroline Wong

"Test Plans Made Easy: Saying a Lot By Saying Very Little" with Wayne Rosenberry

"Data-Driven API Test Case Generation Using AI and Model Context Protocol" with Joseph Petsche

"Formally Secure Hardware with Rust" with Calvin Deutschbein

"Lessons Learned in AI Engineering" with Mitch White

"Software Quality by Example as a Senior Engineer" with Mark Kleinhaus

The evening begins with networking and refreshments.

This hybrid event will be held in Portland, Oregon, with a live online option available.

January 23, 2026

PNSQC 2026 Free Workshop Day
University Place Hotel & Conference Center
08:30 AM - 04:30 PM PST

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Software quality is changing fast — AI is reshaping how we test, how we make decisions, and where human judgment matters most. This free, in-person workshop day is designed to help practitioners build real skills, not just hear about trends.

On January 23, PNSQC is hosting a full day of hands-on, instructor-led workshops focused on practical quality skills — from foundational testing practices to emerging AI-driven approaches.

This is not a marketing event.

It is a community learning day, led by experienced practitioners, designed to give you techniques, frameworks, and perspectives you can apply immediately.
As a nonprofit conference, PNSQC's mission is Enabling Quality Through Community. This workshop day is part of that mission — lowering barriers to learning, strengthening our local quality community, and helping practitioners stay relevant as the industry evolves.

Seats are limited, and advance registration is required.

This workshop day is ideal for:

Software testers and quality engineers
Test leads, QE managers, and SDETs
Practitioners navigating AI's impact on testing
Professionals who want hands-on learning, not sales pitches

You will get the most value if you are actively involved in delivering or influencing software quality today.

Morning Workshops (8:30 AM – 12:00 PM)

QA Re-Bootcamp —
Heather Wilcox & Bhushan Gupta
?Additional workshops will be announced soon.

Afternoon Workshops (1:00 PM – 4:30 PM)

AI Orchestration: Dual Stewardship — John Cvetko
Additional workshops will be announced soon.

Whether you are strengthening your foundations or exploring how AI fits into your quality practice, this workshop day is designed to leave you more confident, more capable, and better equipped for the work ahead.