

28th Annual California Statewide Self-Advocacy Conference

Friday & Saturday
May 17th & 18th, 2024

Presented by: **Supported Life Institute**

“Self-Advocacy: Reaching for the Stars”

2-Day In-Person Conference



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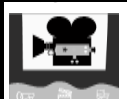

















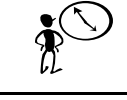


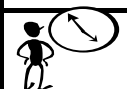


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PROGRAM

FRIDAY, May 17, 2024

SATURDAY, May 18, 2024

	8:00	REGISTRATION BEGINS		8:00	REGISTRATION BEGINS
	9:00	WELCOME Featuring: Jordan Kamnitzer 		9:00	WELCOME Featuring: <i>Statewide Self Advocacy Conference Committee</i>
	Keynote: "Making Life Magical" Cody Clark Cody Clark Magic, Self-Advocate Public Speaker, Entertainer Louisville, Kentucky			Keynote: "Living Your Best Advocate Life" Jackie Armstrong Self-Advocacy Leader Public Speaker Carmichael, California	
	10:00	Check Out the INFORMATION & SALES FAIRE		10:00	INFORMATION & SALES FAIRE
	10:30	Kelso Self-Advocacy Training Theater <i>Sponsored by George F. Kelso Foundation</i>		10:30	Kelso Self-Advocacy Training Theater <i>Sponsored by George F. Kelso Foundation</i>
	10:30	SESSION # 1		10:30	SESSION # 4 (including Zumba!) 
	11:45	LUNCH		11:45	LUNCH
	12:55	SESSION # 2		12:55	SESSION # 5
	2:00	SESSION # 3		2:00	SESSION # 6 (including Zumba!) 
	3:30	SELF-ADVOCACY TALENT SHOWCASE DJ Maverick Adam Haynes		3:15	Closing: "SONG SELECTIONS" MICHAEL J. VALCOUR
	6:00	DINNER		3:30	FREE RAFFLE DRAWING 
	7:30	Evening Events		3:45	END OF CONFERENCE
	to	CONCERT and SING-ALONG with JORDAN KAMNITZER	The Statewide Conference Planning Team Thanks You ! www.supportedlife.org  www.facebook.com/supportedlife		
	9:00				
	9:00	END OF DAY 1			



HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS



Wyndham Hotel
5321 Date Ave.
Sacramento, CA 95841

A special rate of \$139.00 per night as available for those attending **The Statewide Self Advocacy Conference**. All rooms are subject to city tax and tourism assessment: please see our **hotel reservation form for the exact totals**.

(Conference Fees include Friday & Saturday Lunch and Friday Dinner)

- To make reservations, **contact the Wyndham Hotel directly 916-338-5800 ask for Reservations** and say: "Supported Life Institute 2024 Meeting." To ensure receipt of this special rate, make reservations before **April 26, 2024**. There is plenty of **Free parking** at the Hotel.



On Conference Mornings, the Wyndham Sacramento Hotel will offer a Hot Breakfast Buffet for \$22.00 plus Tax and Tip.

Mail your *Conference Registration Form & Emergency Contact Form* + check/ money order to:

"Supported Life Institute"
c/o 1209 Caricia Drive
Davis, CA 95618



Group Discount !!!
Groups: Register 5 people & receive 1 support staff FREE

All Group Registrations Must Be Received Together

Conference registration Cancellations/Substitutions:

Written cancellations may be made until **April 26, 2024** and will be refunded minus a 25% administrative fee.

Requests for refunds (incl. for "no-shows") will **not be accepted after April 26th**

With advance notice, substitutions are welcome.

The Supported Life Institute will send a written **confirmation** of your conference registration.

Questions?

Call the Supported Life Institute at
(916) 567 - 1974 info@supportedlife.org

NOTE: There may be a videographer/photographer at the conference taking videos/photos of conference activities. If you do not want your picture to be used, please let us know at the conference registration desk.

TRANSPORTATION TO THE WYNDHAM SACRAMENTO HOTEL

From Airport to Hotel and back, options available: Taxis, Super Shuttle, Uber or Lyft.

- ◆ Contact **ParaTransit 916-429-2009** about travel from **Airport** or **Greyhound** or **Amtrak** station to Hotel & back **if you use such a service where you live** (best to call weeks ahead to register and set up a "client record," if you are from out of town)



Conference Sessions - The 28th Statewide Self-Advocacy Conference

Friday May 17, 2024

Sessions #1 • 10:30 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

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Saturday May 18, 2024

Sessions #4 • 10:30 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

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Healthy U. Sherri Douglas, Self-Advocate, Chico	You've Got a Friend in Me! Sharon & Vernae Talk About Friendship The Arc San Francisco, Daly City / San Francisco
How Self-Determination Changed My Life - and It Can Change Yours Santiago Villalobos, Self-Advocate, Downey	Making It Happen: How to Believe in Yourself Daniel Meadows, Sacramento
Board Inclusion - Beyond Tokenism Bill Krebs, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Zumba for Health, Fitness, Fun (#1 of 2) Yulissa Arescurenaga, 1st Self-Advocate to be Certified Zumba Instructor, South San Francisco
"Owning Your You" - Moving Into the Workforce with Transparency Harry Lane, Meristem's Transformative Autism	Bridging the Gap: Equal Access to Reach for the Stars Noe Dueñas, Fair Oaks

Friday May 17, 2024

Sessions #2 • 12:55 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.

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Saturday May 18, 2024

Sessions #5 • 12:55 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.

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Do You Have Questions for Cody (Opening Keynote)? Cody Clark, Cody Clark Magic, Louisville, Kentucky	Family Bonds Renard Stanford, Los Angeles
My Life Story - Growing Up Minette Oliver, Self-Advocacy Council 6, Stockton	How to Prepare for Your IPP Meeting Representatives, Self- Advocacy Council 6 & Valley Mountain Reg. Center, Stockton
The Possible Dreamer: a Memorial Service for Andrea Fay Friedman Jordan Elliott Kamnitzer, Self-Advocate / Musician, Los Angeles	Legislative Advocacy 101: How to Talk With Legislators Representatives, San Andreas Regional Center, San Jose
What Causes Deafness & How You Can Prevent It Margie Garetz, Anaheim	Confidence Through Storytelling: Sharing My Story Pj Swan, Stockton
How to Prepare for Emergencies, Know Your Rights, Stay Safe Peter Mendoza, State Council on Dev. Disabilities, Sacramento	Breaking Barriers Brittany Gaines, Shingles Springs

Friday May 17, 2024

Sessions #3 • 2:00 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.

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Saturday May 18, 2024

Sessions #6 • 2:00 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.

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My Mom is a Self-Advocate Samantha Wilhite, Executive Director, Connections For Life, Fairfield	Getting a Job in the Community Jackie Armstrong, Self- Advocate / Keynote, Carmichael
My Life Story with Down Syndrome Dena Pfeifer, Self-Advocacy Council 6, Stockton	How to be an Effective Board Member Representatives, Self- Advocacy Council 6 & State Council on Dev. Disabilities, Stockton
CalABLE Accounts & Financial Literacy , Representative, CalABLE, Sacramento	Zumba for Health, Fitness, Fun (#2 of 2) Yulissa Arescurenaga, 1st Self-Advocate to be Certified Zumba Instructor, South San Francisco
My Paid Internship Program (PIP) Experience Brandi Halstead, State Council on Dev. Disabilities, San Bernardino	Alta CA Reg. Ctr Presents 'People Planning Together' ACRC Client Advocates, Alta Calif. Regional Center, Sacramento

**On Conference days, check schedule of times for our Refresh and Recharge Room;
and Kelso Self-Advocacy Training Theater (Sponsored by George F. Kelso Foundation).**

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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM - SIDE A (Side B Emergency Contact Over)
Statewide Self-Advocacy Conference - May 17 and 18, 2024 (www.supportedlife.org)
Early-Bird Discount Last Day: May 3rd, 2024 *

* If a Regional Center is paying your registration, they may have an earlier deadline.
 Please call your Regional Center right away.

**Everyone who attends the conference must pay the registration fee.
 This includes self-advocates, speakers, family members and support people.**

1. NAME: _____
2. SELF-ADVOCACY GROUP (Optional): _____
3. ADDRESS: _____
4. CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
5. DAYTIME PHONE:(_____) _____
6. Are you a: Self-Advocate Family Member Support Person
7. When will you be coming: Both Days or Fri 17th or Sat 18th
8. Do you use a wheelchair for mobility: Yes No
9. Other accommodations you request from Conference: (Must be Received by April 26, 2024)
 Sign language interpreting services Accommodations for conference materials _____
 Vegetarian meals Medically-recommended diet _____
10. Conference Registration: (for Regional Center use only: Vendor # : P63905)

Send this form w/payment to: **Supported Life Institute, c/o 1209 Caricia Drive, Davis, CA 95618**

Conference Registration Fee (Does not include hotel sleeping room)	by 5/3/24	After 5/3/24
Two Day Conference - Arrive <u>Friday</u> at 9:00 a.m. (rates set by DDS)	\$299.67	\$316.01
One Day Conference - Arrive Either Day at 9:00 a.m. (rates set by DDS)	\$283.32	\$299.67
 <p>Group Discount ! ! ! !</p> <p>Groups: <u>Register 5 people</u> & receive <u>1 support staff FREE</u></p> <p>All Group Registrations Must Be Received Together</p>	 <p>Buy 5  Get 1 Free</p>	

EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM - SIDE B - Optional

The goal of the Conference Planning Committee is for everyone attending the conference to have a positive, educational and safe experience.

The information provided below will be kept for ready access by conference staff to be used in case of an emergency during the event.

Individuals needing special assistance or supervision must be accompanied by a support person.

All supervision, medical, & personal care needs are the responsibility of each conference participant.

1. Name of Registrant : _____

Self-Advocate

Family Member

Support Person

2. In case of serious emergency,

Who is a contact person who is not attending the event and is available by phone during the general times and dates of the conference.?

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Daytime Phone: (_____) _____

Evening Phone: (_____) _____

HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

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Credit Card? (You don't need to fill out this form)

Call the hotel directly - 916-338-5800 ask for Reservations, mention "Supported Life Institute 2024 Meeting"

Check or Money Order?

Complete this form. Make check or money order payable to "Wyndham Sacramento."

Include confirmation code from hotel reservation. Send this form w/the total payment for all the people in the room to: Wyndham Sacramento Hotel, 5321 Date Ave., Sacramento, CA 95841. Attn: Amanda Ortiz

For Regional Center Use Only - Vendor: Wyndham Sacramento Hotel (ZA6390)

1. NAME: _____

2. ADDRESS: _____

3. CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

4. DAYTIME PHONE: (_____) _____

5. Arriving: Thursday, May 16 or Friday, May 17

6. Do you request your room be "handicapped accessible:?" Yes No

There are only a limited number of handicapped accessible rooms available.
The hotel will meet this request on a "first come, first served" basis.

7. There will be (circle one): 1 2 3 4 people : Thu & Fri or Thu only or Fri only

HOTEL RESERVATION FEES – Must be received at the Wyndham by 4/26/2024

Price includes: hotel room & taxes only

Wyndham Hotel will offer Hot Breakfast Buffet On Conference Mornings for \$22.00 plus Tax and Tip

	1 Person/Room (1 bed/room)	2 People/Room (2 beds/room)	3 People/Room (2 beds/room)	4 People/Room (2 beds/room)	Total Cost/Room
Friday Night Only	\$160.20/person	\$80.10/person	\$53.40/person	\$40.05/person	1-4 per rm. \$160.20
Thursday & Friday	\$320.40/person	\$160.20/person	\$106.80/person	\$80.10/person	1-2 per rm. \$320.40

8. I am enclosing fees for the following reservation:

My Name: _____

Roommate # 1: _____

Roommate # 2: _____

Roommate # 3: _____

Total Fees Enclosed:

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