

SAVE THE DATE!

September 26 - 28, 2011

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Springfield, IL



*Celebrating
20 Years!*

HIGHLIGHTS

Lunch for both days is now included in the registration fee! Remember the Early Bird is the best value. For all fee options, please see www.sharingavision.org.



Keynote - LeDerick Horne:
Poet, playwright, motivational speaker, entrepreneur, and advocate!

“Beyond Classification”

Despite a diagnosis in the third grade of being neurologically impaired, LeDerick was able to graduate from high school, earn a B.A. from New Jersey City University, become a nationally recognized poet and start his own property management company.

His presentation will address a variety of issues through LeDerick's personal struggles as a student with a learning disability and utilize the wealth of information that he has collected as an advocate for people who have been labeled as disabled. This emotionally moving presentation is filled with empowering information and moving verse that will help the audience improve the quality of life for individuals with disabilities.



Keynote - John Foppe:
Author and owner of a successful international training company

“Within Reach”

Born without arms, John Foppe believes all things are within reach. As a child, he had difficulty doing the simple things most of us take for granted, and led a life marked by dependency. At ten-years-old, John couldn't put his own pants on. Today, he travels the world as an author and owner of a successful international training company.

In this fascinating, poignant, but ultimately inspirational speech, John recounts his transformation from victim to victor. But, more importantly, he helps you discover your own place in the world.

2011 Conference Highlights

Monday, Sept. 26
Preconference Day
Grand Opening
Opening Reception
Showcasing
Entertainment

Tuesday, Sept. 27
Keynote
Exhibits
Workshops
Art Gallery
Showcasing
Annual IDEC Meeting
Networking Reception

Wednesday, Sept. 28
Keynote
Exhibits
Hot Topics
Workshops
Showcasing
Art Gallery

Sample of Additional Presenters:

Bridget and Nancy Brown, Project CHOICES
Hedda Sharapan, The Fred Rogers Company
John Roope, Chaddock/Caregiver Connections
Benton Johnson, Ephphatha Consulting Services, Inc.
Tweety Yates & Jeanette McCollum, U of I
David Carrillo, Private Practice, Training and Dev.

Showcasing

Sharing A Vision Contact Information:

Tom Renk, Conference Coordinator
Phone 630-369-7784 Fax 630-369-3773
tom@associationenterprise.org

To Receive a Brochure, Contact:

Tracy Hodge at tracy@associationenterprise.org,
630-369-7784 or visit the Sharing A Vision Website
at www.sharingavision.org. Look for your brochure in
April!

Coordinated by:

Illinois Subdivision of the Division for Early Childhood
of the Council for Exceptional Children (IDEC). Sharing
A Vision is an approved Professional Development
Provider by the Illinois State Board of Education
— State Teacher Certification Board.

Showcasing is an opportunity for participants to present unique features about their programs, innovative ideas or techniques, or share the results of research and evaluation efforts. Conference attendees will have an opportunity to visit the Showcasing area to learn about these new techniques, successful ideas for family involvement and innovative strategies and practices being used with young children. Showcasing sessions are scheduled for Monday, September 26 in the evening at the opening reception and on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 27 & 28. This event is a wonderful opportunity for networking and exchanging ideas!

In addition, one free registration for the conference will be offered for each Showcasing application selected. You are invited to submit an application to present at a Showcasing session. Applications are available on the Sharing A Vision web site: www.sharingavision.org, or you may contact Kathy Slattery at 224-366-8574 or kslattery@cntrmail.org for further information and/or an application. Applications are due for review by May 16, 2011.