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11th ANNUAL USH CONNECTIONS CONFERENCE
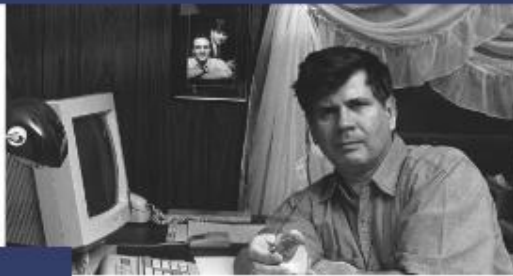
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SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2019 | PHILADELPHIA, PA

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:
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PHILADELPHIA MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN
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11th Annual USH Connections Conference
Saturday, July 13, 2019
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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Deadline for Submission: March 15, 2019
Submit to Krista Vasi: k.vasi@usher-syndrome.org

The Usher Syndrome Coalition is soliciting speaker abstracts for the 11th Annual USH Connections Conference, which will take place July 13, 2019 at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The conference is hosted by the Usher Syndrome Coalition and is the largest annual gathering of the Usher syndrome community. This event provides an invaluable opportunity to learn about Usher specific research and developing treatments from leaders in a variety of disciplines, while connecting with hundreds of affected individuals, their families, and professionals serving the deafblind community.

Presentation Abstract Submission Form and Guidelines

All abstracts must be completed and submitted no later than **March 15, 2019.** Submission of an abstract does not guarantee an invitation to present.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the USH2019 organizing committee. Invitations to present will be emailed no later than April 1, 2019.

Proposals for presentations must be submitted as a Microsoft Word Document and must include the following items in the order listed:

1. Name as you wish it to appear in the program (Example: John Smith, PhD.)
2. Institutional, professional, or business affiliation, if any
3. Contact Info:
   Full Mailing Address
   Email address
   Phone Number
4. Professional Bio (maximum 200 words) Please tell us a bit about yourself and your connection to Usher syndrome.
5. Please note the general area(s) of your research presentation:
   a. Science
   b. Assistive Technology
   c. Social and Emotional Support
   d. Advocacy
   e. Other

6. Abstract (Maximum 400 words)
7. Objectives / knowledge or skills attendees will gain from this presentation
8. Acknowledgments (Funding and Awards)

Send each Proposal separately as an email attachment (in Microsoft Word, preferably in Arial 12-point font, 1" margins) to Krista Vasi (k.vasi@usher-syndrome.org)

Call for Presentations Deadline: March 15, 2019
Notification of acceptance: April 1, 2019.
Return date for confirmation by presenters: April 15, 2019.

Presenter Responsibilities (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY):
- Presenters agree to present in English or ASL at a moderate pace to allow access to all audience members. Your presentation will be translated in real time via visual and tactile sign language interpreters and CART transcribers
- Any slides included in a presentation must be described during the presentation for non-visual audience members.
- Invited speakers will have their registration fees waived.
- Up to two nights of hotel accommodations (July 12 and 13) will be provided at no cost to speakers by the Usher Syndrome Coalition at the conference venue.
- Presenters are responsible for their own travel arrangements.
- Presenters do not receive a stipend from the Usher Syndrome Coalition.
- Presentations that market specific products and services are not acceptable for this forum. If you have a product or service to showcase, you may register as an Exhibitor here: http://bit.ly/USH2019exhibitor
- **Send your PPT (MUST USE PPT template) to k.vasi@usher-syndrome.org by June 3, 2019** – it will be forwarded to the CART provider and interpreters so that they may familiarize themselves with names and terminology.

Questions? Please contact Krista Vasi at k.vasi@usher-syndrome.org or call (978) 637-2625.

Thank you for your interest in giving a presentation at the 11th Annual USH Connections Conference. We look forward to reviewing your proposal.