



Ability Connection Colorado invites you to the **36th Annual Wine in the Pines** on Friday & Saturday, October 18 & 19, 2019 in Keystone, Colorado, benefiting the life changing services of the Kelly Smith Statewide Employment Program of Ability Connection Colorado (formally CP of Colorado).

Did you know...

- ***1 in 5 Americans will experience one or more disabilities in their lifetime?***
- ***Funds raised through Wine in the Pines help individuals all across the state of Colorado to reduce the national unemployment rate for people with disabilities who, at 30% employment, are among some of the most unemployed people in the country.***

In 1979, Summit County resident Kelly Smith was born with Cerebral Palsy, to the loving parents of Mike and Margaret Smith. Facing challenges with verbal communication and physical mobility, Kelly grew up determined to participate in the workforce and to be included as a vital member of the community. With the support of Mike and Margaret, Kelly was able to pursue a meaningful career working in a local Summit County hotel.

Kelly's strength inspired Mike and Margaret to start a telethon fundraiser to benefit people with Cerebral Palsy. Over the years, this fundraiser evolved from ski rental donations to the first wine tasting event held at Keystone Ranch, attended by about 150 people. Thirty-six years later, Wine in the Pines has grown to a two day event and has become one of the biggest events of the season! Besides a Friday night at the Keystone Ranch, Saturday night features some of the best international wines, spirits, craft beers, sumptuous food, entertainment and dancing.

Today, the Kelly Smith Statewide Employment Program supports individuals with all kinds of disabilities through several innovative sub-programs: Employment Works! Ready to Achieve Mentoring Program (RAMP) for youth, Ticket to Work, and Social Security Benefits Counseling.

We rely on help from our community and business affiliations to assist us by sponsoring, purchasing tickets, and/or donating to our auctions. This event has become a chic promotional opportunity that introduces businesses, in one evening, to between 600 and 800 of their most important target markets- the businesses and residents of Summit County and the Denver Metro Area.

With your support, Wine in the Pines will continue to provide a more diverse and inclusive workforce in Colorado, and financial security and independence to an underutilized workforce that should have the right to meaningful employment and a sense of purpose.

Please take a look through the attached packet to learn how you can make a difference in the lives of at-risk individuals & families within the community who need it most. Let me know if you have any questions, and we look forward to this opportunity to build a mutually beneficial community partnership with you.

Thank you for your time, and warmest regards,

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*For the wine lover who thinks they have tasted it all...
we quite possibly will change your world.*

Great friends, fabulous food and fine wine!

Friday, October 18, 2019

Winemaker's Dinner

6PM – At the Keystone Ranch Restaurant

Enjoy 5 courses expertly prepared by Keystone Ranch's Chef, Kevin Simley, to complement select wine pairings. Limited seating available, please reserve early.

Official Winemaker: E. & J. Gallo Winery "Taste of Sonoma"

Theme: Elegant Night at the Ranch

Dress: Formal / Semi-formal

Must purchase in advance!

Note: Please check your sponsorship level to better understand what events/lodging/tickets have been allotted to you.

Employment Success Story: Lizzie's Story

Lizzie was born with cerebral palsy. She was an endearing child. We tried to keep our expectations high for her and encouraged her to do things on her own, which she was always willing to do. When Lizzie graduated from high school, we had no idea she'd be able to do actual work. We tried a couple of the Workshops, but she actually got fired from one. Busy work was not her cup of tea. And then it happened--- we had the opportunity to do a job trial at Denver Public Library with Ability Connection Colorado, formerly Cerebral Palsy of Colorado. Her life changed overnight. Never in our wildest dreams did her family ever think that their Lizzie would be working, being an important part of a Library Crew, which processed library books. Lizzie LOVES to work.

Ability Connection Colorado has given her the support she needs to be part of the work force of Colorado. She is always so happy when she receives her pay check. Without ACCO's help, our Lizzie would not have had this amazing opportunity.

Thank you Ability Connection Colorado's Employment Works Program! - *Employment Counselor*

Saturday, October 19, 2019

International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting

6PM – At the Keystone Conference Center

This elegant tasting features nearly 500 wines, spirits, craft beers and Keystone's most sumptuous cuisine and irresistible desserts as well as Silent and Live Auctions.

Theme: Country Music & Dancing Lessons

Dress: Country Western - Dressy Denim & Diamonds

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Commitment to Sponsors and Contributors:

As a proven and a trusted organization that has been helping create opportunities and supporting people with disabilities for the last 73 years, we want you to know that...

- We will always promote and represent you and/or your company's generosity in a positive light and a professional manner.

- As stewards of your contributions, know that gifts will always be used for their expressed purpose when given.

- All decisions made with regard to the allocation of funds will be strategic, conscientious and ethical.

- By giving to our organization, you help continue and advance the vital programs and services of Ability Connection Colorado.

On behalf of the nearly 46,000 children, families, and individuals who receive services through our organization, we are honored that you are considering sponsorship of this event and the impact it will bring.



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SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Choose from one of the levels below. Or, let us tailor a sponsorship that meets your company's budget and marketing goals.

***Sponsorship at all levels include the following benefits:**

*Your name/logo on the large projection screens in Ballroom, video monitors in reception areas at Keystone Conference Center, name on event banner, verbal recognition at the Friday night Winemaker's Dinner as well as Saturday's Wine in the Pines event, and recognition on our event sponsor page on the Ability Connection Colorado's website.

International Wine Tasting Sponsors: \$25,000

- Twenty (20) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- Two (2) reserved tables of TEN (10) Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting
- Friday & Saturday overnight accommodations ~ ten (10) rooms
- Your name(s) included on Event Invitation & STD (mailed/mailed early August)
- Opportunity to provide party favors with company logo for all guests at event (Sponsor provides favors, must be pre- approved by event committee)
- Your name(s) included in all event advertising including print advertising and pre-event press

Winemaker's Dinner Sponsors: \$15,000

- Eight (8) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- Sixteen (16) reserved Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting Tickets
- Friday & Saturday overnight accommodations ~ four (4) rooms
- Your name(s) included in all event advertising including print advertising and pre-event press

Champagne Sponsors: \$10,000

- Six (6) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- Fourteen (14) reserved Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting Tickets
- Friday & Saturday overnight accommodations ~ three (3) rooms
- Your name(s) included in all event advertising including print advertising and pre-event press

Cabernet Sponsors: \$7,500

- Four (4) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- One (1) reserved table for TEN (10) at the Saturday Night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting
- Friday & Saturday overnight accommodations ~ two (2) rooms
- Your name(s) included in all event advertising including print advertising and pre-event press

Merlot Sponsors: \$5,000

- Two (2) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- Six (6) reserved Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting Tickets
- Friday & Saturday overnight accommodations ~ one (1) room

Chardonnay Sponsors: \$2,500

- Two (2) Friday night Winemaker's Dinner Tickets
- Four (4) reserved Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting Tickets

Shiraz Sponsors: \$2,250

- One (1) reserved table for TEN (10) (Company Signage) at the Saturday night International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting



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Sponsorship Level (Includes both Friday & Saturday)

\$25,000 \$15,000 \$10,000

\$7,500 \$5,000 \$2,500

\$2,250 (Shiraz Sponsor - Saturday Only)

Saturday Only Tickets

Reserved TABLE for 10 @ \$2,000 per table

Reserved seating @ \$200 per person

Open seating tickets @ \$130 per person (through September) \$140 (Oct. 1st-18th) \$150 (Oct. 19th)

Patron Packages @ \$375 per person (includes Reserved Seating at Friday's Winemaker's Dinner & Saturday's International Wine & Gourmet Food Tasting) Call for Friday Night ONLY availability.

I cannot sponsor or attend, but would like to donate \$_____

Please Send Invoice

Sending Check

Check Included

Please Charge \$_____ To Visa, MasterCard, Discover or Amex (circle one)

Number _____ Expiration Date _____ Security Digits _____

Signature _____

Name as Appears on Card _____

Date _____ / _____ / _____

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Marketing Contact _____

THIS EVENT SELLS OUT. RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

Questions? Please contact:

Terri Armstrong - Development Director, Ability Connection Colorado Phone: 303-226-5520 Fax: 303-691-0846

E-mail: tarmstrong@abilityconnectioncolorado.org. Please fax or e-mail Terri Armstrong your completed form to reserve your sponsorship.

This form represents a promise of financial support; please retain a copy for your records.

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Donation Form

On behalf of the individuals and families served by the Kelly Smith Statewide Employment Program at Ability Connection Colorado, we want to thank you for your generosity. Ability Connection Colorado is committed to helping children, individuals and families achieve their fullest potential in an integrated and diverse environment that honors the abilities of all. May your gift of giving continue to touch many lives!

Individual/Company Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____ FAX: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

PLEASE USE THE SPACE BELOW TO LIST THE DONATED ITEM(S).
(THIS INFORMATION WILL BE USED IN THE WINE IN THE PINES AUCTION PROGRAM.)

Name of item/Description: _____

Value of item \$ _____ Item enclosed/attached _____ Needs picked up

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Please contact me with more information about attending the 36th Annual Wine in the Pines.

Please contact me about purchasing a table at Wine in the Pines.

Please contact me about Sponsorship Opportunities at Wine in the Pines.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR DONATED ITEMS. THANK YOU!



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