

IDA Annual Conference - Pre-Conference Symposia Panel

Dyslexia Spells Success!

Thursday, Nov 7, 2019 - 8:00 - 11:30

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We all know that dyslexic minds process information differently. Their holistic, highly creative, lateral thinking has created some of the world's greatest art, literature, inventions, and businesses. Yet dyslexia is still perceived as a disadvantage. We want to change this perception. We want the world to respect dyslexia and realize the value that dyslexic minds add to companies, schools, teams, and life. jaredsblank@gmail.com We aspire for individuals with dyslexia to embrace their unique abilities and find strength in their differences.

Come listen to this remarkable group of dyslexic individuals who have become leaders in their chosen profession. These out-of-the-box thinkers have overcome the challenges of dyslexia and have excelled beyond their own and others' expectations. They are CEO's, an artist, a UX/UI designer, a poet, and two youth champions.

These seven professionals share their personal experience of growing up with dyslexia. They will speak about their experience in school and in the workplace, how they managed their challenges, how they leveraged their gifts, and their advice for unleashing 'the secret sauce of dyslexia' to succeed in life. They will provide advice to teachers, parents and employers on how to enable dyslexic individuals to find their gifts and empower their advocacy.

Whether you are dyslexic or care for someone who is, we know you will be inspired and uplifted by their stories. You are not alone. **Topic - Changing Perceptions - How to leverage dyslexia to achieve success: real life stories**

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Pete Denman Intel UX/UI Designer	LeDerick Horne Speaker, Poet, Advocate	Madalyne Clark Artist, Graphic Designer	Todd "Hammer" Semmes Owner & Advocate

		
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