

# 2017 ACA National Conference Addendum

## **CAMP INCLUDES ME TRACK – NEW!**

### **Camp Includes Me: Inclusion, Fusion and Cross-Cultural Agility**

Our world is becoming increasingly divisive and communicating with each other across cultures and even lifestyles, has become progressively challenging. This year at our National Conference, we are excited to initiate a track to specifically assist in our cultural flexibility, ultimately supporting us and our campers in becoming more nimble in our thinking – particularly when navigating cultural differences. The ability to build trust and mutual rapport with people from various cultural backgrounds is a critical component in our camp community.

Our **Camp Includes Me** track of workshops, panel discussions and experiential activities will allow us to replace the traditional race-based, “us versus them” paradigms, with a more holistic transformational model and approach. We will explore modern millennial issues like globalization, inclusion, cultural intelligence, unconscious bias and systemic patterns that exist and impact the way we interact, react and respond to others from different cultures, lifestyles, backgrounds, genders, belief systems and ages in our camp settings and beyond.

The goal of **Camp Includes Me** is to create a space where we can increase our competence around issues of Inclusion, Fusion and Cross-Cultural Agility. Moving beyond “representational diversity” and integrating true “*Inclusion*” and excellence by bringing together various world views, research, experiences and subject matter experts. “*Fusion*” takes place, as we exchange our ideas, adding and contributing to one another. We then ideally can become “*Cross-Culturally Agile*” as we share and become more competent in our understanding of what we individually and

collectively hold sacred and meaningful. All while having fun!

Join us as we begin the process of letting go of all the endless loops that separate us.

## **UPDATES TO EVENTS and BREAKOUTS**

**Tuesday, February 21, 7:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.**

**ACA Standards Course**, New Location, Upper Level East, Room 215/San Miguel

**Tuesday, February 21, 4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.**

**The Essential Elements of Teambuilding**  
Is located in Main Level East, Room 140/Aztec (*Not Galisteo*)

**Tuesday, February 21, 5:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.**

**Field Office & Affiliate Groups Meetings and Socials**

New Locations for the following:

**Rocky Mountain Social** • Lower Level West, Room 20/Laguna

**Southern California/Hawaii Social** • Lower Level West, Room 28/Santo Domingo

**Wednesday, February 22, 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.**

**Day Camp Café** is now located in Upper Level East, Room 215/San Miguel

**Wednesday, February 22, 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Group 3**

**Have You Ever Held a Mermaid’s Hand: Skills for Staff Who Want Every Camper to Succeed**

Speaker addition, Yatiel Owens, Camp Winnarainbow

Osayande Kokayi, Camp Winnarainbow

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**Wednesday, February 22, 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Group 3**

**Beyond Veggie-burgers: Sides, Salads, and Desserts for Special Diets**

Tori Barrett, Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta

**Thursday, February 23, 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Research Poster Presentations** are now scheduled in the Lower Level west, La Sala

**Thursday, February 23, 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Group 6**

**Deepening the Conversation: Exploring How Cultural Humility Supports Camps To Be Even More Effective Agents Of Change**

Speaker Addition, Yatiel Owens, Camp Winnarainbow

Jennifer Garcia, Camp Winnarainbow

**J-1 Visa: Learn from the Experts**

Speaker Changes

**Opening Remarks:** Diane Culkun, Division Chief, U.S. Dept. of State Office of Designation; **Panel Discussion:** Jacqueline Chisolm, U.S. Dept. of State Office of Private Sector Exchange Administration; Deena F. Pinckney-Cooper, U.S. Dept. of State Office of Designation; Jennifer Nupp, U.S. Dept. of State Office of Policy and Program Support.

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**Thursday, February 23, 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Group 6**

**Avoiding the Parent Trap: How to Win Over Difficult Parents**

Sarah Kurtz McKinnon, Kurtz McKinnon Creative LLC

**Thursday, February 23, 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Commerce Sessions**

**How Technology Is Affecting Your Day-To-Day Operations**

Speakers added: Daniel Cunningham, Leonardo247, Evan Heltay, Expertonlinetraining.com, Michael Ambrose, campdoc.com, Jason Bornfriend, 829Studios.com

**FRIDAY'S GENERAL SESSION**

**11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

We will meet in the Kiva Auditorium at 11:00. Following Dr. Debi Gilboa's keynote, we will move across the atrium to enjoy lunch together in the ballroom.

**SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY**  
**UPDATES/ADDITIONS:**

**Perry Cohen • The Venture Out Project**  
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**Jennifer Garcia • Camp Winnarainbow**  
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Jennifer Garcia has been performance coordinator at Camp Winnarainbow for 20 years. She holds a Master's in Special Education from Bank Street College of Education and has been a special education teacher at Brooklyn New School for 9 years. Jennifer was a founding member of Rubi, a music and theater collective focusing on the Latino experience in New York City. In her teaching and artistic life, she is dedicated to shining a light on race, social justice and equity issues.

**Osayande Kokayi • Camp Winnarainbow**  
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Osayande Kokayi is a mentor and advocate for young people of color. He has worked for Camp Winnarainbow as a camper advocate for 7 years. Osayande is also a professional percussionist who uses West African music and culture to educate low income African American families. Through drumming Osayande bridges a gap between all cultural identities and seeks to unite young people with the goal of standing together against social injustices.

**Sharon Kosch • ACA Public Policy Volunteer**

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Sharon Kosch serves as one of ACA's public policy issue experts. She also served as the chair of the ACA national public policy committee for six years.

## **SPONSORSHIP UPDATES:**

New Friend of Camp Sponsors:  
New Dimensions – ACA Accreditation  
Visitors Thank You Reception, Wednesday evening  
Trailways Transportation Systems, Inc. –  
Acorn Dinner Transportation, Thursday evening

**Special thanks to Visit Albuquerque** for sponsoring the Welcome Reception on Tuesday evening, the afternoon break in the exhibit hall on Thursday, and the transportation and organization of Thursday evening's Dine-Around to Old Town and Nob Hill. We are so appreciative of the generosity of Visit Albuquerque!

## **LOST AND FOUND**

If you lose items at the convention center, please check at the service desk on the street level of the West Building.

## **THURSDAY NIGHT DINE-AROUND**

Buses will begin boarding at 5:45 p.m. on Thursday evening and will run continuously through 10 p.m. from the Convention Center to Old Town and Nob Hill. Maps and restaurant options will be available. This event is sponsored by Visit Albuquerque.

## **EXHIBITOR UPDATES:**

**Cancelled Exhibitor**  
#311 Scholastics

**New Exhibitor**  
**West Coast Sailing – Booth 311**  
709 N. Columbia Blvd.  
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## **STOWING LUGGAGE ON FRIDAY – IF POSSIBLE, STORE AT YOUR HOTEL**

We will offer an unmanned area to store bags in the back of the ballroom on the upper level, west, however; we encourage you to check bags at your hotel and catch shuttles and cabs from your hotel. Cabs and shuttles to not pick up from the Center.

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