

Pacific Rim International Conference Topic Areas

- * Autism
- * Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- * Disability Rights
- * Disability Studies and Culture
- * Employment
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- * Girls and Women's Issues
- * Hidden Disabilities
- * Independent Living
- * Indigenous/Native Peoples Issues
- * Teach to Reach: Universal Design for Learning
- * Transition to Adulthood
- * Universal Design for Living
- * Youth Advocacy & Leadership
- * Veterans

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Hidden Disabilities Topic Area

The Hidden Disabilities topic area will focus on adults with learning disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorders (ADD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorders (ADHD), psychiatric disorders, health conditions, traumatic brain injury and more. We will explore advocacy and policy orientations that address hidden disabilities within the context of inclusionary human progress for the 21st century. *What needs to be done to ensure the social well being for persons with hidden disabilities? What do we need to advocate for? What are best practices already in existence that can lead us towards our common vision of an inclusive, sustainable and just world.* Presentations will include people with hidden disabilities speaking for themselves using various creative formats. We have presentations that focus on personal success stories/role model advice, sustainable support systems, system change, social justice and policy issues, and successful trainings and projects.



International
Conference on
Disabilities

May 4-5, 2009

Hidden Disabilities Topic Area Over 15 Presentations & Workshops

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EMERGENCE
CONVERGENCE
PEOPLE
DIVERSITY
ACTION
COMMUNITY

Featured Speakers



**Working Toward a
Brighter Future**

May 4th-5th

**Hawai'i Convention
Center in Honolulu**

A First-person Journey of Bipolar Disorder: Insight, Resources and Hope

Linea Johnson is a college student, musician and writer. She has a strong commitment to justice, particularly for people with mental illness. She is currently completing her first book on her experiences with bipolar disorder. Cinda Johnson is Linea's mother and a professor and Special Education Program Director at Seattle University. She presents nationally and internationally on secondary special education



LifeLine: Movement to catalyze inner healing and well-being

Dr. Shannon Simonelli is a leading expert in Attention Deficit Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and Learning Disabilities. She specializes in the psychological abuse of children, teens and adults in learning environments; with a special interest in the emotional educational difficulties of dyslexia and other learning disabilities, ADD and ADHD.



Add Laughter To Your Diet

Frank Delima is one of Hawaii's most popular and beloved comedians. For more than 30 years, this award-winning comic has been entertaining local residents and tourists alike with his zany parodies, outrageous sense of humor, and spontaneous creativity.



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