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All Attendees: All attendees will receive a certificate for .5 CEUs/5 CE/5 Contact Hours for each day you attend.

Featuring:

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Paula Kluth, Ph.D., Author, Consultant, Autism Advocate

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Justin Canha, Artist & Adult with Autism

Maria Teresa Canha, Justin's Mother & Autism Advocate

Nicole Turon-Diaz, CDS, MA Ed./SpEd, Justin's Life Coach

Lindsey Biel, M.A., OTR/L, Author

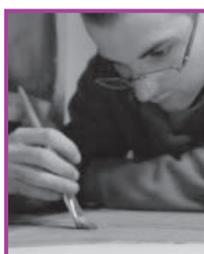
About our speakers:



Thursday, March 21

Paula Kluth, Ph.D. is a consultant, teacher, author, advocate, and independent scholar who works with teachers and families to provide inclusive opportunities for students with disabilities and to create more responsive and engaging schooling experiences for all learners. Paula is a former special educator who has served as a classroom teacher and inclusion facilitator. Her professional interests include differentiating instruction and inclusive schooling. She is the author or co-author of nine books including *You're Going to Love this Kid: Teaching Students with Autism in Inclusive Classrooms* and *A Land We Can Share: Teaching Literacy to Students with Autism*. Paula is also a director of a documentary film titled "We Thought You'd Never Ask": *Voices of People with Autism*.

Dr. Kluth has been awarded numerous honors in her field and community. Most recently she was a recipient of the 20 Under 40 University of Wisconsin Alumni Achievement Award for her work with students with autism. She was also named the National Down Syndrome Congress Educator of the Year in 2007 and the Belle Center of Chicago's Inclusion Advocate of the Year in 2006.



MORNING

Friday, March 22

Justin Canha, Person with Autism
Maria Teresa Canha,
Parent and Autism Advocate
Nicole Turon-Diaz,
M.A., Ed./SpEd., Learning By Design, LLC

Justin Canha showed a passion for drawing early in his life. His parents were instrumental in giving him as many opportunities as possible to develop his talent and ability. He is now a renowned artist. His mother, **Maria Teresa Canha** has been advocating for him since his diagnosis at 3½. Justin, now 22, is on the threshold of entering into the adult world and independence. **Nicole Turon-Diaz, M.A.,** owns Learning By Design, LLC. She is a Certified College Coach for individuals with ASD and has been working with individuals on the spectrum for the last decade.



AFTERNOON

Friday, March 22

Lindsey Biel, M.A., OTR/L is co-author of the award-winning *Raising a Sensory Smart Child: The Definitive Handbook for Helping Your Child with Sensory Processing Issues*, with a foreword by Temple Grandin. She is an occupational therapist based in NYC where she evaluates and treats children and

adolescents with sensory processing issues, autism spectrum disorders, and other challenges. Please visit www.sensorysmarts.com.

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THE 18th ANNUAL ASD SYMPOSIUM 2013

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 & FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2013

RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET ♦ CRANSTON, RI

This year's symposium includes Paula Kluth speaking on *Joyful Learning for Students with ASD*; Justin Canha (young adult with autism), Maria Teresa Canha & Nicole Turon-Diaz presenting on *Justin's road to independence*, and Lindsey Biel on *Sensory Smart Strategies for Students with ASD*.

A Fundraiser for our Parent Retreat and Family Support Activities ♦ Attend One or Both Days

**Lunch Included!!
Complimentary Parking!!
8:30 am - 3:00 pm**

HOSTED BY

Barry M. Prizant, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Director, Childhood Communication Services and Brown University Center for the Study of Human Development

Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc. (CCS) offers continuing education seminars, workshops, and retreats that address topics related to the education and quality of life needs of children and adults with special needs and their families.

Barbara Domingue, M.Ed., Executive Director Community Autism Resources, Inc., Swansea MA

Community Autism Resources is a family created and oriented community services organization. The valuable input we receive from families furthers our goal of meeting the needs of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Our commitment to sharing knowledge, information, and enhancing skills will enable persons with autism to live satisfying and fulfilling lives within the community.

Rhodes on the Pawtuxet

60 Rhodes Place
Cranston, RI 02905

For directions:

www.rhodesonthepawtuxet.com

A Fundraiser for our Parent Retreat and Family Support Activities

Childcare services are not available, please make necessary arrangements.

Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

7:15 – 8:15 am

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:15 – 8:30 am

Introduction & Program Overview

8:30 – 9:45 am

Joyful Learning: Using Active & Collaborative Structures to Differentiate Instruction for Students with ASD & Related Disabilities

Paula Kluth, Ph.D.

Too often a "one-size-fits-all" approach is used to design lessons leaving some learners struggling to participate and leaving teachers feeling they have not reached all of their students. In this interactive session, participants will apply principles of differentiation by exploring a number of collaborative, active, and brain-compatible learning techniques aimed at engaging students and making learning joyful. This session is appropriate for educators in K-12 classrooms as well as parents and others working with children with disabilities and is structured for participants to experience these active techniques through demonstrations.

9:45 – 10:00 am

Beverage Break

10:00 – 11:30 am

Kluth Presentation (cont'd.)

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Box Lunch Included

12:30 – 1:45 pm

Kluth Presentation (cont'd.)

1:45 – 2:00 pm

Break with light refreshments

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Kluth Presentation (cont'd.)

All presentations provide practical strategies for supporting persons with ASD and their families.

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

7:15 – 8:15 am

Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:15 – 8:30 am

Introduction & Program Overview

8:30 – 9:45 am

A Young Man with Autism's Transition to Adult Life: How Talent, Perseverance, Advocacy and Training Carve the Path to Independence

Justin Canha, Maria Teresa Canha, Nicole Turon-Diaz, M.A.

Justin Canha showed a passion for drawing very early in his life. His parents picked up on this and developed his talent over the years. Today he is a renowned artist who aspires to live independently. Many have worked with him over time and with the key teamwork of family and professionals, he is now tackling the challenges of learning to be independent. His story, featured on the front page of the *NY Times*, is an inspiration providing valuable lessons for professionals and family members alike.

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Beverage Break

10:00 – 11:30 am

Canha Presentation (cont'd)

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Box Lunch Included

12:30 – 1:45 pm

Sensory Smart Strategies for Students with ASD

Lindsey Biel, M.A., OTR/L

The sensory issues experienced by most people with ASD can make everyday function difficult and even painful. Lindsey will demystify these sensory issues and provide real-life techniques you can use immediately to make school and other environments more tolerable. She will share practical strategies for challenges such as oversensitivity to sound, touch, lighting, and other sensory input plus simple environmental modifications and "sensory diet" activities that can help students stay tuned in all day long.

1:45 – 2:00 pm

Break with Light Refreshments

2:00 – 3:00 pm

Biel Presentation (cont'd)

Lodging

A block of rooms is being held at the **Hilton Garden Inn Providence Airport/Warwick**, 1 Thurber St, Warwick, RI 02886 for \$99 single/double (401.734.9600) until February 21. The Hilton Garden Inn is less than 5 miles from Rhodes on the Pawtuxet. *Please reserve early!* To obtain the special rate, mention *ASD Symposium* when making reservations.

Bookstore

The Special Needs Project (www.specialneedsproject.com) will provide a bookstore featuring information/resources on ASD education and treatment approaches. Peruse their web site and e-mail la@specialneedsproject.com at least one week before the symposium if there are particular products you would like the bookstore to include.

Confirmation & Cancellations

A \$30 cancellation fee will apply to all registrants who cannot attend. Notice of cancellation must be given two weeks prior to the symposium. No refunds will be granted after that date. The same policy applies for purchase orders. A substitution may be made at any time. Returned checks will be charged \$25. You will receive a confirmation by e-mail, if an e-mail address was provided. If not, you will receive a confirmation by regular mail. If you do not receive a confirmation, please call Kelly at 413.374.2804 to ensure that you are registered.

SAVE EVEN MORE WITH THE EARLY, EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION! Save an extra \$25 off the early bird rate if registered and paid by December 31, 2012. Spouse rate excluded. All payments including purchase orders must be received by 12-31-12 to qualify.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Call 413.374.2804 ♦ Fax 413.279.1361 ♦ Mail to address below ♦ www.community-autism-resources.com

Early bird rate for professionals ends on 2/15/12. Call Kelly at 413.374.2804 or e-mail kelly@ccseminars.com with any questions.

RATES

	Professional			Group (5 or more)*		Parent/Family/Student		
<input type="checkbox"/> Thu & Fri	<input type="checkbox"/> \$240 (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$265 (by 2/21)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$290 (after 2/21)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$225 p.p. (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 p.p. (after 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$174 (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$199 (after 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse \$70
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday or <input type="checkbox"/> Friday	<input type="checkbox"/> \$140 (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$165 (by 2/21)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$190 (after 2/21)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125 p.p. (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150 (after 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$94 (by 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$119 (after 1/1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse \$50

Spouse name (if attending): _____ Total: _____

*Need to receive registrations at same time to qualify for group rate. Please fill out a separate registration form for each registrant.

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