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When Actions Speak Louder Than Words Workshop

The Institute's [Early Childhood Center](#) in conjunction with the [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#), will host the third and final workshop designed to build an understanding of how different behaviors are communicative, to understand what their messages might be and how to begin to interpret those messages and to provide positive approaches for supporting behavior.

Thinking about behavior as communication presents a different perspective to support our developmental strategies that encourage positive behaviors. This is crucial information to consider so that when an individual "misbehaves" we can learn to pause and ask, "What is this individual saying?"

Workshop dates and locations include:

April 20, 2012 - Richmond, IN: [Richmond High School](#)

Certificates of Attendance for 5.25 instructional hours will be available at no charge and can be used for Professional Growth Plan points and Library Education Units. Registration fee is \$125.00 per person. If you have questions about workshop content, contact [Kim Davis](#) (davisk@indiana.edu) at (812) 855-6508. All questions regarding registration should be directed to Donna Beasley (dbeasley@indiana.edu) at (812) 855-6508.

ACROSS THE COURTYARD



Indiana Institute Receives Funding to Support Artists with Disabilities

The Indiana Institute has received funding from the [MENTOR Network Charitable Foundation](#), Inc., on behalf of South Central [ArtsWORK Indiana](#) (SCAI), to offer mentorship training for emerging artists with disabilities in the greater Bloomington area.

Especially for artists with little professional experience, the guidance of a mentor is an important contribution to a sustainable career and a successful arts-related business. Artists with disabilities, in particular, may encounter barriers of limited transportation, professional training, and financial resources. They may not have access to mentor networks or to knowledge about how to approach a potential mentor and gain professional advancement from a mentoring relationship.

The grant will support a series of three interactive sessions about arts mentorship, targeted to artists, performers, and writers with physical or intellectual disabilities in the greater Bloomington area. Mentor artists from the region who are experienced professionals will serve as presenters for the free workshops. Workshop attendees will participate in hands-on exercises to help them understand the mentoring process and how it can help them achieve their goals as artists.

SCAI was established in Bloomington in 2010 as a satellite group of ArtsWORK Indiana. The Indiana Institute and the City of Bloomington are its local partner organizations. SCAI shares the mission of ArtsWORK Indiana, "to facilitate access to careers in the arts for people with disabilities through awareness, education, and encouragement."

The Indiana Institute, along with the [Indiana Arts Commission \(IAC\)](#) and [VSA Indiana](#), has been a statewide partner organization for ArtsWORK Indiana for more than eight years. ArtsWORK Indiana's activities were recognized by the 2009 National Accessibility Leadership Award given to the IAC for outstanding accessibility work.

Based in Boston Mass., The MENTOR Network Charitable Foundation focuses on transformation of service delivery to adults and children with disabilities through the generation of new ideas and best practices.

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Keith Coros ADA Community Projects

[ADA-Indiana](#), with support from the [Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities](#), is pleased to announce that five organizations were chosen for funding through the 2012 Keith Coros Community ADA Implementation Projects program. The purpose of the program is to promote increased implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in Indiana communities. The funded organizations include:

City of Bloomington, Council for Community Accessibility - The [City of Bloomington's Council for Community Accessibility](#) hosted a community workshop featuring Sally Conway from the U.S. Department of Justice on the revised regulations for Title II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

City of Muncie, Muncie Human Rights Commission - The [Muncie Human Rights Commission](#) will host a training day on the new and revised ADA regulations for Muncie and surrounding communities. The workshops will feature a representative from the U.S. Department of Justice, and will be open to the public.

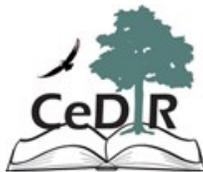
Blumberg Center at Indiana State University - [The Blumberg Center](#) at Indiana State University will work with their collaborators, the Business Leadership Network-Wabash Valley and Disability Awareness Work Group, to host a series of training workshops in Terre Haute and surrounding areas for employers, human resource professionals, and business owners on implementing the ADA.

Indiana Alliance of Boys and Girls Club - The Indiana Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs will conduct a project involving the Boys and Girls Clubs organizations across the state of Indiana. The Alliance will support the local Clubs on completing an accessibility checklist of their physical location and services. A resource handbook will be developed for the Clubs to use for future reference.

Union City - Union City and their collaborator, LifeStream, Inc. will conduct a training workshop on the ADA for local government and other community organizations. Businesses and other organizations will learn how to do their own self-assessment of their facilities and services.

The mission of ADA-Indiana is to serve as a statewide resource for promoting the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Founded in 1991, ADA-Indiana is funded by the Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities and the Great Lakes ADA Center.

LIBRARY CORNER



New Library Acquisitions

The following new materials may be borrowed by Indiana residents from the [Center for Disability Information and Referral](#) at the Institute. To check out materials, contact the library at 1-800-437-7924, send e-mail to cedir@indiana.edu, visit us at 2853 East Tenth Street in Bloomington.

The spring edition of the [CeDIR Citings Newsletter](#) is available on-line. In this issue, resources on aging and Alzheimer's are highlighted.

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- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageld=40&newsId=351&newsType=2#sthash.zvhCBXRd.dpuf>