

For the first time in Southwest Virginia...

Dr. Stephen Shore, Ed.D.

Two Half-Day Workshops:

***Senses and Sensibilities: An Inside View on Sensory Issues, What They Look Like, Avoiding Them, and Working Through Ones That Occur
And
Obstacles Into Opportunities: Turning Away from Closed Doors
and Opening New Ones***



The aim of the first presentation is to enable susceptible individuals and those close to them to avoid and minimize the effect of sensory overload through easy to implement solutions, thereby enabling those with sensory issues to lead fulfilling and productive lives.

In the second presentation, Dr. Shore employs an autobiographical structure combined with experiences of others with autism to examine how deficits and challenges so pervasively attributed to autism can be reframed as strengths.

Sponsored By The Authors of “A Live Controversy”, Autism Training Opportunities of Southwest Virginia

Date: Thursday, May 8, 2014

Time: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

(Registration begins at 7:30 am)

Presenter: Dr. Stephen Shore, Ed.D.

**Location: German Club, 711 South Gate Drive
Blacksburg, VA 24060**

Please remember to register early, since our workshops and training spaces fill up fast. You now can access registration on line. Please visit our website www.alivecontroversy.com and visit the workshops/conference page.

You can register online — REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!

Register Early: there will be NO on site registrations.

Early Registration (and Purchase Orders) due by April 18, 2014 - \$75.00

Regular Registration after April 18, 2014 - \$100.00

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Dr. Stephen Shore, Ed.D is an assistant professor of special education at Adelphi University in New York. As a child, he was recommended for institutionalization after being diagnosed with "Atypical Development and strong autistic tendencies" and "too sick" for outpatient treatment. Nonverbal until age four, and with much support from his parents, teachers, wife, and others, Stephen is now a professor at Adelphi University where his research focuses on matching best practice to the needs of people with autism.

In addition to working with children and talking about life on the autism spectrum, Dr. Shore presents and consults internationally on adult issues pertinent to education, relationships, employment, advocacy, and disclosure.

Goals of the Training:

Senses and Sensibilities: An Inside View on Sensory Issues, What They Look Like, Avoiding Them, and Working Through Ones That Occur

1. Experience what sensory overload may feel like for an individual on the autism spectrum.
2. List at least three situations that might indicate that a sensory issue is present.
3. Learn how to develop and implement accommodations for sensory issues.
4. Become familiar with instruments for assessing for sensory issues.

Obstacles Into Opportunities: Turning Away from Closed Doors and Opening New Ones

1. List at least three situations where deficits can become strengths.
2. Develop a familiarity as to how strengths can be used to navigate around challenges.
3. Learn that considered decisions can be made to avoid areas of challenge while still leading a fulfilling and productive life.
4. Understand the importance of people with autism and other disabilities in understanding themselves as a key factor in success.

Date and Time: Thursday, May 8, 2014. We will begin registration at 7:30 a.m. Training will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 4:00 p.m.

Location: German Club, 711 South Gate Drive, Blacksburg, VA 24060

FEES: \$75 per person (\$100 per person if registered on or after April 18, 2014) There is no funding for this event. Those registering via a purchase order MUST register by April 18, 2014

Morning coffee and Lunch are included. For more information, e-mail r.hartmann@alivecontroversy.com

THERE WILL BE NO ON SITE REGISTRATION. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY, AS REGISTRATION IS ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 18, 2014.

REGISTRATION FORM

**“Senses and Sensibilities” and “Obstacles Into Opportunities”
Presented by Dr. Stephen Shore, Ed.D. — Thursday May 8, 2014**

You can also save your space by registering on line by visiting www.alivecontroversy.com

REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 18, 2014

Please write clearly. Complete one form for each person attending workshop.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

School/Organization Representing: _____

Please Check All Appropriate Descriptions: () Parent () Teacher () Other _____

Enclosed is a Check: () OR Credit Card: (Mastercard/Visa) (circle one only). Credit Card No: _____

Expiration Date : (mm/yy) ___/___ Billing Zip Code _____ Card Holder's Name: _____

Registration for this training event is on a first come - first served basis. This training is open to anyone interested in improving the quality of life for a person with a disability; but also for everyone who provides support in the school environment and at home. Reservations cannot be made without payment.

We accept Purchase Orders from schools and agencies, with the following established guidelines: Once the purchase order is sent and invoice is faxed, your school/agency is responsible for the payment regardless of cancelation. Nonetheless, the school/agency may send a different staff member as a replacement attendee. We reserve space for each registration; therefore, we considered it sold. Please send the registration form for purchase orders (one form per participant) no later than the early April 18, 2014 deadline. Please fax purchase order registrations to 540-552-0247.

Cancellations: The following policies apply to registrations secured by cash, check, or credit card: 50% refund if cancelled by April 14, 2014. No refund for registrations cancelled on or after April 14, 2014. In extenuating circumstances, transfers of the training registration to another person will be allowed.

For mailing, faxing or e-mailing your registration, below is additional information. Also, please make all checks or purchase orders payable to: Training Opportunities of Southwest Virginia. Return this form to: Roxana Hartmann, 404 Clairmont Drive, Blacksburg, Virginia 24060, Fax: 540-552-0247.