



Autism Awareness Month Event 2017

April 20, 2017

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

* Networking reception starts at 5:30pm

Tom Harkin Global Communications Center
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Road, NE
Atlanta, GA 30329

CDC's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Autism Speaks, Autism Society of Georgia, The Autism Foundation of Georgia, Atlanta Autism Consortium, Inc., and the Emory Autism Center invite you to join us for an event featuring:

Daniel Share-Strom

Public speaker, Asperger educator, and advocate shares his perspective on increasing awareness and his experience living with autism and transitioning as an adult

Transitioning to Adulthood: A Panel Discussion

Individuals who have autism share their experiences transitioning as adults

Autism through the Arts

The Hope Squad from Jacob's Ladder perform improvisation under the direction of Andy Jones

This event is free and open to the public.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Non-US citizens must register by March 9, 2017
US citizens must register by April 12, 2017

To register, please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cdcs-autism-awareness-month-event-2017-tickets-31354384809>

For more information, please contact Phyllis Nichols:
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"Autism is not a defect or a mental illness, and it is not a catastrophe. It is simply another way of experiencing the world...another way of being human. We must move away from the

view of ASD as a 'disorder' and toward accepting the validity and value of the autistic experience. "I am not 'sick.' I am not 'broken.' I am a creative and empathetic person as are many of my peers on the spectrum. I talk about stuff that really matters—things your doctor doesn't tell you and teachers don't know," says Daniel Share-Strom, who was diagnosed with Asperger disorder at age 10.

The Hope Squad



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