

Youth Leadership Conference July 26 and 27, 2018 Pasadena Public Library

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## **Conference Program**

Thursday, July 26

9:30 a.m. Check-in and Parent Coffee

10 a.m. Opening Session

Keynote: Angela Aguirre, poet and teaching artist

11 a.m. First Sessions

Amplify Your Voice Bite of Reality Success Simplified

12 noon Lunch and Resource Fair

1 p.m. Second Session

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2 p.m. Third Session

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3 p.m. Snack

3:15 p.m. Closing Session

Keynote: Christian Daly, field deputy, Office of Supervisor Kathryn Barger

4 pm. Dismissal



#### Friday, July 27

9:30 a.m. Check-in and Snacks

10 a.m. Opening Session

10:30 a.m. First Workshops

A Cause for Sell-abration

Telling Your Story in Under 30 Seconds

Personal Branding The Illustrated Budget

12:30 p.m. Lunch and College & Career Fair

1:30 p.m. Second Workshops and Parents' College & Career Fair

A Cause for Sell-abration

Telling Your Story in Under 30 Seconds

Personal Branding The Illustrated Budget

3:30 p.m. Snack

3:45 p.m. Closing Session

Keynote: Gabriella Villegas, student advocate

4 p.m. Dismissal

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## **Session Descriptions**

#### **Amplify Your Voice**

Lead: Claudia Hathcock, Day One

www.godayone.org

Learn how to use your voice and become a community advocate! Work with your peers to create real change in your community and learn how to develop media messaging campaigns.

#### Bite of Reality

Lead: Andy Tien, Pasadena Service Federal Credit Union www.mypsfcu.org

In "Bite of Reality," you'll receive an "about me" sheet that contains an occupation and salary, student loan debt owed, credit card debt owed, and cost of medical insurance. Some participants will have a spouse, some will be single, and some will be single parents. Your goal is to build a monthly budget based on your income. You can visit in-game merchants to purchase housing, transportation, food, day care, and other needs. There's a mall for wants and, of course, a credit union for financial services. Watch out for The Fickle Finger of Fate! Can you stay within your family budget?

### Success Simplified

Lead: JB Barakat, Foothill Workforce Development Board www.fwibworks.org

Marketing and branding your talents and skills is not an easy task. Competition is all around you and on every platform you reach. The only way to stand out is to be "One Notch Above Everyone Else." Ask yourself: What makes big stars and major brands what they are? If you answer marketing you are correct. If you answer branding you are correct too. Creating your own brand and having the ability to market your brand is your definite path to success.

#### Personal Branding

Lead: Steve Solis, Professional Photographer and Blair HS Teacher solis.steveapusd.us

Explore your digital footprint and create content that helps you build a positive social media "brand" for yourself.

#### Telling Your Story in Under 30 Seconds

Lead: Aaron Wheeler, Pasadena Media www.pasadenamedia.org

Find your way through visual storytelling and collective creativity to create public service announcements or social media marketing/branding content. Work together to brainstorm ideas, storyboard your shots, and shoot your PSAs.

#### A Cause for Sell-abration

Leads: Sherine Adeli and David Steiman, Pasadena City College www.pasadena.edu

Do you want to tell the world about something you care about? Maybe it's a cause or an idea – or maybe it's even yourself? Find out what makes a good story and work in teams to practice tools and tricks to tell that story through video.

#### The Illustrated Budget

Lead: Jane Gov, Pasadena Public Library www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net

Create a visual representation of a family budget by designing a visually engaging infographic. Infographics help make complex information eyecatching and more easily digestible while enhancing a viewer's ability to see patterns and trends.

## Youth Leadership Network Agencies

City of Pasadena ww5.cityofpasadena.net

College and Career Academies www.pusd.us/domain/97

Collaborate PASadena www.collaboratepasadena.org Adelante Youth Alliance www.adelanteya.org

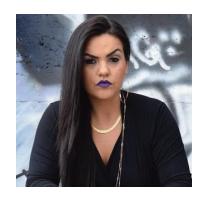
College Access Plan collegeaccessplan.org

Tournament of Roses www.tournamentofroses.com

## **About Our Speakers**

Angela Aguirre

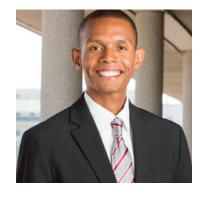
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Angela Aguirre is a Chicana Feminist
poet who enjoys utilizing her creativity in
meaningful ways. Her book of poems and
writing prompts, Confessions of a Firework,
was published in 2016 by the World Stage
Press. Her poetry has been featured in The
Huffington Post, Latina Magazine, and All
Def Digital. As a teaching artist, she has
taught poetry workshops at dozens of



high schools, universities, and organizations such as InsideOut Writers, Homeboy Industries, and The Harold Robinson Foundation. Angela considers herself an activist and youth advocate and never misses an opportunity to give back to the community. A Pasadena native, she has spoken at a number of large events, such as the Adelante Mujer Latina Conference and the YWCA Women for Racial Justice Breakfast. Angela is the co-founder of the Latina Feminist poetry collective Chingona Fire, which has started a movement in the community by fostering female empowerment, sisterhood, and solidarity among all women. She graduated from California State University, Los Angeles, with a bachelor's in communication studies with an emphasis in rhetoric and social change.

#### Christian Daly

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Christian Daly is a California native, born and raised in the San Gabriel Valley. He attended and graduated from Pasadena City College, receiving his associate's of arts and associate's of science in journalism. Christian continued his education at the University of Southern California, graduating with honors with his bachelor's of arts in English-creative writing. Upon



graduating from USC, he lived a short time in Paris, where he studied and wrote poetry. After returning to the United States, Daly gave back to his community through the College Youth Network, a program helping young people attend college. After a stint in Hollywood, acting on various shows and movies, Daly transitioned to pursue a career in the public

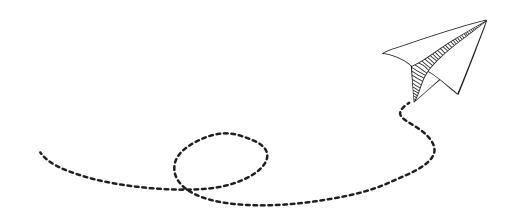
sector. He worked as a field representative for the 62nd California State Assembly District while pursuing his graduate degree at Pepperdine University. He graduated with honors with his master's of public policy, specializing in state and local policy and international relations. Daly currently works for Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger as her field deputy, representing her in nine cities in the San Gabriel Valley. He has a passion for helping people and strives to be a bridge that changes people's lives.

#### Gabriella Villegas

Gabbie Villegas is a former Day One youth advocate and a PHS alumna. She recently completed her freshman year at UC Berkeley, where she plans to study genetics, plant biology, and public health. She is passionate about her community and is always working to improve it by advocating for public policy initiatives and mentoring her peers. She recently wrapped up her third summer volunteering for the SKILLZ



Summer School program. Gabbie hopes to become a nurse practitioner and open her own practice to serve disadvantaged communities.



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