

DIY UNCONFERENCE AGENDA - MAY 20, 2019

8:00 am – 4:00 pm Registration

8:00 am - 9:00 am Breakfast, Vendors, Exhibits, Networking

9:00 am - 9:30 am WLA Annual Membership & Business Meeting

Legislators' Comments

9:30 am - 10:30 am Keynote Address: Rory Scholl: Truth in Storytelling: Unifying Through the Tales that Bind Us

Everyone has a story, and sharing those stories truthfully, is more important than ever today. But navigating the twists and turns on just how to tell it and what to focus on can be difficult. Keynote Rory Scholl will speak to the importance of keeping our personal stories front and center, the need to share, and how to use storytelling as a way to highlight our similarities and show that our differences are something to unite, rather than divide us. Figure out your story, how to create it and where to go from there.

Rory Scholl is a best-selling humorist on Amazon.com with his short story The Black Sheep, a Moth Storyslam winner, and a storyteller with the RISK show. He is the co-producer of NYC's longest running storytelling show, The Liar Show, and travels the country with his original stories performing at colleges and venues all over the country. Sometimes he improvises with the improv comedy troupe Beerprov on the MSC cruise lines, hosts the live traveling game show The Big Quiz Thing, performs improvised musicals with Happy Karaoke Fun Time, or producing shows and festivals at QED Comedy Club in Queens. He walks his cat on a harness to relax.

10:15 am - 10:30am Topics and Conference Guidelines, Catherine Riedel

10:30 am - 10:45 am Break

10:45 am - 11:30 am Session 1: Topics Selected by Popular Vote

11:30 am - 12:15 pm Session 2: Topics Selected by Popular Vote

12:15 pm - 12:45 pm Box Lunch with Vendors

12:45pm - 1:30 pm Davis Auditorium Campus History Talk and Garden Tour (Optional)

Jessica Tagliaferro, Drimmler Library Department Chair, will speak to WLA members about the history of Hartford Hall, the estate, and the A & P Family. Carol Capobianco, Director of the Native Plant Center, will discuss the Center's history and relationship with Lady Bird Johnson. Includes a tour of the beautiful garden and pond in front of Hartford Hall (weather permitting).

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm Session 3: Topics Selected by Popular Vote

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm Break

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Session Recap - Auditorium

3:35 pm - 4:00 pm Awards & Raffles, Closing Remarks