

The Art of SPEAKING

One of the most beneficial, life-changing steps you can take is to improve your communication skills. That's why we passionately believe in the lessons taught at Speak & Tell! We want our teens to implement what they've learned these past four days and stand up confidently before any audience-whether that's in a job interview, in front of their class, advocating for a cause, or leading the speech & debate team. We hope you'll always remember to stand tall, and to speak with eloquence and purpose.

We are so proud of our campers and the journey they've taken with us! We have watched and listened to them share their personal stories of challenges and triumphs. Whether beginners or pros on the debate team, each of these campers has improved their speaking skills to a new level that we hope will inspire them to in turn inspire audiences both big and small.

Congratulations to our teen campers! We know great things await you and we're thankful to have been a small part of your journey.

Michelle Wright

Co-Director, Speak & Tell!

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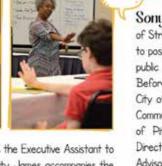


Guest & Speakers



Joyce Bender is an internationally renowned speaker and leader in disability employment. Early in life, Joyce fought fear and bullying due to her epilepsy. Today, Joyce is the founder and CEO of Bender Consulting Services, linc., where she focuses on increasing representation of people with disabilities in the workforce. She also hosts a weekly online talk radio show, "Disability Matters with Joyce Bender."





James Hill serves as the Executive Assistant to the Mayor. In this capacity, James accompanies the Mayor to all public engagement events and coordinates mayoral ceremonies. In addition, James aversees special projects as assigned by the Mayor mayoral correspondence, proclamations, city social media, special events in the city, and the decorating of the City-County building during the holidays and special occasions. James is a graduate of Pittsburgh's Schenley High School and Point Park University.

Frannic Foltz is the host of the "Shine with Frannie Show," a podcast where she equips, empowers, entertains and educates listeners with real life stories so they can live their best life. Frannie is an extrovert and loves encouraging and supporting others. She is a public speaker and author. She published her first book in February 2020: From "You're Fired!" to "That Girl's on Fire" and is currently working on another book about valuable life lessons she's learned from life's disappointments.

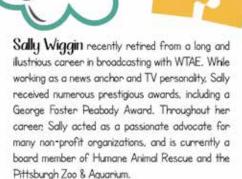


Sonya Toler Meadows, as Senior Director of Strategic Communications and Enrollment, works to position Propel Schools as an innovative leader in public education and oversees enrollment efforts. Before Propel, Sonya was spokesperson for the City of Pittsburgh Public Safety Department, the Communication Director for the successful campaign of Pittsburgh Mayor William Peduto, Executive Director of Governor Ed Rendell's African American Advisory Commission, and Communications Director for the Allegheny Conference on Community Development, Sonya has numerous awards from her time as a Pittsburgh-based journalist.



- Focus on a topic
- Pace yourself and use pauses
- Make Eye Contact
- · Understand your Audience
- Organize your thoughts
- Use effective Body





Tad Wissel is Manager of Special Programs and Ben Rutkowki is Senior Staff Educator for SLB Radio Productions, Inc., a non-profit that uses radio and audio to amplify voices of youth-and members of other communities whose stories are often marginalized—to educate, empower and build community.





PUBLIC SPEAKING

is the act of presenting a formal address to a live audience and is usually structured with three general purposes: to inform, to persuade and to entertain.





















Camp Leadership Team

Michelle Wright's passion for story-telling is evident as an Emmy-award winning journalist and long-time anchor of WTAE-TV's top-rated morning newscast. As an inspirational spokesperson she champions many causes and lends her talents and expertise as an emcee to local charities. When she's not on-air, Michelle spends her time as a beekeeper, adjunct university professor and mother of two college-age children.

Michael Bartley's prodigious career has taken him from anchoring and reporting the news to host and Emmy-award-winning managing editor of WQED Multimedia to his current role as Director of Development and PR at East End Cooperative Ministry. Michael is also President of Bartley Media. a full service video and digital production firm. Michael says he's "so thrilled to be returning to Speak & Tell Camp this year!"

Sheila Hyland (Operations Manager) brings her energy, natural curiosity and communication skills to Luminari which she considers a labor of love. If she looks familiar to you it's because she spent over 20 years on Pittsburgh's airwaves reporting the news. Sheila is excited to share her passion for speaking and storytelling.

Jacqueline Napier (Operations Intern) is a rising college senior from upstate New York who is pursuing a degree in Communication Rhetoric and Legal Studies at the University of Pittsburgh and has experience in public speaking, writing and politics (she was an intern for a State Senate candidate in NY and a for a judicial clerk). Jacqueline is a recipient of Attorney General Eric Schneiderman's Triple "C" Award and the George Eastman Young Leaders Award. She is also an Executive Board member with Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Society.



LUMINARI

Mission: Luminari is a Pittsburgh-based 501(cX3) nonprofit organization founded to foster activities that broaden minds, inspire innovations & promote community engagement.

Core Values: We value knowledge, education and open-mindedness. We advocate that our actions be guided by compassion and kindness toward each other:

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