



Professional Development

CONFERENCE

SAN ANTONIO ★ TEXAS

MARCH 24 - 25, 2023

Annual Conference Speaking Opportunities Request for Proposals/Presenters

The Texas Association of Mediators (TAM) is a multidisciplinary organization established to provide leadership and education in the field of mediation. Comprised of a statewide network of mediators, TAM fosters the sharing of information and experience among its members and is known as an inclusive organization that represents mediators from all professional backgrounds and practice areas.

TAM sets the bar for excellence in mediation by providing educational resources for new and well-seasoned mediators throughout the year. Some of these resources include tools available on the TAM website, monthly TAM Talks, and our annual conference.

TAM is inviting proposals for Keynote Speakers and Session/Workshop Presenters for the 2023 Annual TAM Conference on March 24-25, 2023, at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio Riverwalk. Educational and professional development opportunities for this event include plenary and concurrent sessions on Day 1 (March 24) and Day 2 (March 25).

The goal of the TAM Board of Directors is to provide our membership with engaging, relevant, and stimulating topics that will inspire and motivate our members to new heights. In addition to professionals in mediation and other forms of ADR, TAM welcomes proposals from experts from other fields who can provide insight, knowledge, or skills that will expand and enrich the practice of mediation and conflict resolution. We are also seeking presentations addressing ethical issues and our profession's current and emerging trends.

In gratitude for our speakers, TAM will waive the conference registration fee and reimburse speakers for the following travel expenses:

- One (1) night at the hotel at the group rate
- Airfare or mileage
- Parking
- Ground transportation

Please follow the Speaker Proposal Submission Requirements.

Submissions must be received by September 1, 2022.

The TAM Conference Speaker Committee will review all submissions received by the stated deadline. Speakers will be notified once the committee has had ample time to review and discuss proposals.

Submissions received after September 1, 2022, will not be considered.

Questions regarding the request for proposals should be submitted by email to the conference co-chairs at TAMconference@gmail.com.

Thank you!

2023 TAM Conference Chairs

Elaine Garcia and Elizabeth "Sissy" Preston



Speaker Proposal Submission Requirements

Please submit the following information for your proposal to be considered. Submissions must be received by **September 1, 2022**.

Speaker Biography

1. Provide a brief speaker's bio in 250 words or less in paragraph format. Please begin the first sentence of your bio with the speaker's name.
2. Provide a headshot photo of each speaker in color, high resolution, and a separate jpeg file.

Session Description

Please provide a summary of your presentation. An outline or bulleted list of the topics your presentation will cover, along with a description supporting the topics, is preferred.

- Include the session title and topic of your presentation. The session title may be updated later, if necessary.
- The description of your presentation must not exceed 1,000 words.
- If your presentation includes an ethics component, please identify the amount of time in minutes that addresses ethical considerations in mediation.
- Speakers are encouraged to provide session handouts such as articles, resources, or PowerPoint slides in Adobe PDF format for attendees. Please describe any session handouts or supplemental resources you will provide.
- A Keynote Speaker's presentation must be 60 to 90 minutes, including 15 minutes of questions from attendees.
- A Session/Workshop Speaker's presentation must be 60 to 75 minutes, including 10 minutes for questions from participants.

Proposals may be submitted through the [TAM website portal](#) or by email to: TAMconference@gmail.com.