

2nd Annual UCSB

*dis***ABILITY Awareness Week**

hosted by the Associated Students Commission on Disability Access

The greatest challenges that individuals with disabilities face often stem more from society's attitudes and imposed barriers than from the disabilities themselves. Educate yourself by checking out our events and join us in celebrating difference at UCSB.

Schedule of Events

Visit us all week in the Arbor between 11am-1pm to find out information about various disabilities and programs that serve people with disabilities and attend one or ALL of the evening speaker events! Also watch in your classes and around campus for the UCSB students, along with their Best Buddies from the Work Training Program, who are participating in "Buddy for a Day" each day.

Monday, April 19th

11am-1pm, The Arbor

Find out more about learning disabilities and win a prize for reading our short story.

Embarcadero Hall 7pm-8:30pm
Community Speakers Panel



A panel of individuals with disabilities will be sharing their real life experiences as members of our community. This event will include a question and answer period.

Tuesday, April 20th

11am-1pm, The Arbor

Participate in interactive wheelchair activities and experience for a brief moment what it might be like to get around with a mobility impairment.

7pm-8:30pm, Embarcadero Hall
The Evolution of Disability in Film



Presented by Dr. George Singer Professor, UCSB Graduate School of Education

This presentation will demonstrate the ways in which films have historically represented social constructions of disability. The lecture will discuss stereotyping, negative imagery and contemporary efforts to provide more fully rounded images of people with disabilities as fellow citizens. Brief excerpts from several films will be used to illustrate the lecture.

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Wednesday, April 21st

11am-1pm, *The Arbor*

Find a location blindfolded with the help of Talking Signs, learn the Braille Alphabet, and chat with representatives from the Braille Institute of Santa Barbara while learning more about different types of visual impairments.

7pm-8:30pm, *Embarcadero Hall*



Whether Pigs Have Wings:

Disability and the Search for Reasonable Public Policy

Presented by Dr. Janet Shapiro Director, Disabled Students Programs and Services, Santa Barbara City College

Dr. Shapiro will lecture on the social construct of “disability” which she defines as society’s barriers to the opportunity to demonstrate ability. The purpose of Dr. Shapiro’s lecture is for each person to reflect on attitudes regarding our fragile, organic selves; consider various models of public disability policy from the past; choose a reasonable approach to public disability policy for our future; and decide on his or her role in influencing future direction.

Thursday, April 22nd

11am-1pm, *The Arbor*

Learn some basic Sign Language and find out information about hearing impairments that you may have not known before.

5pm-7pm, *Pravilen Gym*

Adaptive Sports Night



This event will feature wheelchair basketball as well as beepball (played by individuals with visual impairments), and will be an opportunity for students and community members with and without disabilities to interactively participate in and observe adaptive sports that are played in Santa Barbara.

If you need special assistance at any event due to a disability, please contact the CODA Vice-Chair at codainfo@as.ucsb.edu or call 208-5680.

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