



TexaSpeaks

Monthly Newsletter
June 2021



CONVENTION 2021
SAN ANTONIO, TX
OCTOBER 14-16
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[ETSCA.COM](https://www.etsca.com)

THE MORE THINGS
CHANGE...

NEWSLETTER

To better serve our members by: providing resources, important updates, and celebrating our community, we will be publishing a monthly digital newsletter.

[Check out our last Newsletter here.](#)

HELPFUL LINKS

[2020 Convention Minutes](#)

[Committee Chairpersons & TSCA Officers](#)

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Aimee Kasprzyk is our fearless president and a lifelong advocate for communication and the arts! She also commits herself to continuing her craft. She recently played M'Lynn Eatenton in Steel Magnolias by Robert Harling at Warehouse Living Arts Center (and she was fantastic)!

"Time is short so get involved. Don't be intimidated by the incredible history and marvelous educators who are forging paths before you. Help make great things happen. Respect what has gone before you, but contribute new ideas, new work. Continue to make things better. Be bold. Don't wait to be asked."



TSCA CONVENTION SUGGESTIONS

Sometimes you get an amazing idea for a panel for TSCA Convention. Perhaps you think there's a need for a new committee. But when the idea comes to you in April, you don't always remember it come October. Now, you can fill out our [Google Form](#) to provide suggestions and requests throughout the year!

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Were you named Teacher of the Year? Did your team partake in an awesome community service project? Do you have an amazing resource or lesson plan you would like to share with your fellow educators? Would you like to nominate someone for the member spotlight? Email socialmediaTSCA@gmail.com so we can include it in a future Newsletter!



UIL CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all those who earned top honors at UIL this year in Speech and Theatre!

For results in all academic events, please click the links below:

[1A State Results](#)

[2A State Results](#)

[3A State Results](#)

[4A State Results](#)

[5A State Results](#)

[6A State Results](#)

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

NOMINEE PORTFOLIOS AND

OUTSTANDING SERVICE

NOMINEE PORTFOLIOS ARE

DUE AUGUST 1, 2021.

Click the links for
more info!



CONVENTION RETURNING TO IN-PERSON

As the state continues to open up, it leaves many wondering what to expect for future events. Will events be virtual? In person? A hybrid format?

In our organization, we follow Robert's Rules of Order. Our Parliamentarian, Lou Ann Seaborn, has been instrumental in navigating the waters of virtual business meetings during the Pandemic. With Governor Abbott's restrictions in place last summer, we were able to make an exception to meeting in person and conduct business electronically. Since these restrictions have been lifted, we do not have that exception in place and must meet in person.

We so hope to see you all in San Antonio this October. We can't wait to be communicating, connecting, and collaborating in person once again!

CONVENTION PANEL HIGHLIGHT

We're already looking ahead to Convention this fall....and seeing people in person!

Each month, we will be highlighting a panel or two for this year's upcoming convention.

Title: Reshaping Diversity & Inclusion

Presenters: Cherise Johnson PhD, A.S.

Cobb, Eric McClellan

Black Light Communication Strategies
LLC/Black Light Academy Inc.

This panel-led workshop will provide a clear understanding of what diversity is and what it is not. This panel will help illuminate sensitivity to diversity issues that go well beyond the assumed categories and recommend tools for fostering a more cohesive team, education or work environment.

Diversity is the representation in the body of people in your cluster who bring a variety of backgrounds, styles, perspectives, values and beliefs as assets to the groups and organizations.

Empower your student leaders and colleagues to listen and facilitate open and honest dialogues. Help your students and colleagues show up as their full selves without fear so that they can truly thrive.

What's the best panel you've attended at TSCA? Tell us by email

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