



Southwest Actors Conference & Expo
2023 Agenda & Information





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We are excited for you to join us for the second annual Southwest Actors Conference & Expo on September 29,30 October 1, 2023, in Phoenix/Scottsdale, Arizona.

The Southwest Actors Conference & Expo is the premier conference for professional actors in the Southwest Region featuring leading industry experts, casting directors, talent agents, and more. This event will allow professional actors to make crucial connections, learn from top industry professionals, and gain the skills necessary to stand out in a competitive industry.

We are so glad you have decided to join us and look forward to seeing you at the event.

BELLA HIBBS

Founder & Director of Southwest Actors Conference & Expo

Agenda

September 29, 2023

5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Industry Mixer

Dress code: Cocktail Attire

Light Appetizers

Cash Bar



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Day 1 - Agenda

September 30, 2023

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM

**Conference Registration &
Expo Hall Opens**

8:00 AM to 8:45 AM
Painted Mountain Ballroom

Opening Session & Keynote
All-Day Dress Code: Trendy Professional



Opening Keynote - Bella Hibbs
Casting Director & Owner of Good Faith Casting

8:45 AM to 9:45 AM
Painted Mountain Ballroom

Networking For Humans
Speaker: Brian Patacca
The Representation Whisperer & Personal Coach



9:45 AM to 10:15 AM
Expo Hall Floor

Break and Networking

10:15 AM to 11:15 AM
Painted Mountain Ballroom



Self Tapes: Creating An Environment To Book In!

Speaker: DaJuan Johnson
Founder Think Bigger Coaching & Professional Actor

11:15 AM to 11:45 AM
Expo Hall Floor

Break and Networking

11:45 AM to 12:45 PM
Painted Mountain Ballroom



Your Blueprint for Commercial Improv Auditions

Speaker: Kaz Santana
Working Actor, Acting Coach, Owner of Line Runner Tapes

12:45 PM to 1:30 PM
Please use this time for lunch.
There are local options listed to the right or you can order food at the hotel restaurant.

LUNCH

Lunch Options Near the Hotel Include:



Salad and Go
12601 N Paradise Village Pkwy W



Jersey Mike's Subs
4603 East Cactus Road Ste. 2A01



Chipotle
4622 E Cactus Rd



Sprouts
12415 N Tatum Blvd

1:30 PM to 1:45 PM
Expo Hall Floor

Break and Networking

1:45 PM to 2:15 PM

Painted Mountain Ballroom



Creating the Perfect Profile and Going Behind the Curtain with Casting Networks

Speaker: Scott Madej

Casting Networks Representative

2:15 PM to 2:30 PM

Expo Hall Floor

Break and Networking

2:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Painted Mountain Ballroom



Talent Agent Panel with Audience Q&A

Matt Englehart, Arizona Talent Agent

Ford Robert Black Agency

Brittany Stone, LA Talent Agent

Stone Talent Agency



Lilly Bankston, TX & NM Talent Agent

Bankston Talent Agency

Moderator: Darren Darnborough

3:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Expo Hall Floor

Break and Networking

4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Painted Mountain Ballroom

LA Manager Panel with Audience Q&A



Andrea Courtney, LA Manager

Established Artists Management

Becky Poliakoff, LA Manager

Hg5 Entertainment



Moderator: Tony Robinette



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Day 2 - Agenda ***October 1, 2023***

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM

Painted Mountain Ballroom BC



Opening Keynote: Crying on Cue

Speaker: Faith Hibbs-Clark

Founder of Communication Method for Actors

9:00 AM to 9:15 AM

Break and Networking

9:15 AM to 10:00 AM

Painted Mountain Ballroom BC



The Power of Action Verbs

Speaker: Amanda Melby

Working Actor & Owner of Verve Acting Studio

10:00 AM to 10:15 AM

Break and Networking

10:15 AM to 11:15 AM

Painted Mountain Ballroom BC



**Director/Producer Panel
with Audience Q&A**

Deborah Correa

Craig Ross Jr.

Dave Hickey

Moderator: Bella Hibbs

11:15 AM to 11:45 AM

Break and Networking

11:45 AM to 12:45 PM

Painted Mountain Ballroom BC

**Casting Director Panel with
Audience Q&A**



Beth Sepko-Lindsey, *TX Casting Director*

Bella Hibbs, *AZ & NM Casting Director*

Alexis Allen- Winter, *LA Casting Director*

Moderator - Phuong Kubacki



12:45 PM to 1:00 PM

Painted Mountain Ballroom BC

Closing Remarks

Bella Hibbs, Conference Director





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Instagram: www.instagram.com/SWActorsConX

Facebook: www.facebook.com/SWActorsConX

Official Event Hashtag:

#SWActorsConX

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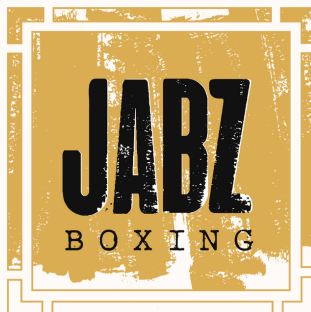
[Line Runner Tapes]
with Kaz Santana

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