

SUMMER JAMES AND MICHAEL STILL

Summer James, B106.7 Radio Host joins her brother, Michael Still, vehicle accident survivor to share their personal story about how assistive technology has helped Michael overcome many barriers.

SESSIONS

The format for the 2022 Virtual Assistive Technology Expo will be 30-minute fast-paced demonstrations showcasing assistive technology for people with a wide range of disabilities.

2022 VIRTUAL ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY EXPO

DATE AND TIME

March 1, 2022 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

TARGET AUDIENCE

People with disabilities, their families, seniors, educators, veterans, and healthcare professionals.

REGISTRATION

Participants must register to receive the Zoom Confirmation Email. Register at:

https://bit.ly/2022ATExpo

COST

Free!
Gift cards and other prizes
will be given away to
participants. You must
attend to win!

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2022 Virtual Assistive Technology Expo Session Schedule

8:30 a.m. Keynote Speakers: Summer James, B106.7 radio host and her brother Michael Still

Summer and Michael co-authored "The Man in the Red Shorts" and will share their personal story about how assistive technology has helped Michael overcome many barriers.

9:00 a.m. What's New (and Fun!) with Empower!

Speaker: Katie Lee, MS, CCC-SLP, CBIS, Assistive Technology Works

Learn how the Empower software works on the Accent communication devices. See a demonstration of new settings and options available for users. Learn how and why these settings can be used.

9:30 a.m. Hearing Devices for Independent Living

Speaker: Leah Cuthbertson, SC Equipment Distribution Program

See how qualifying individuals with hearing and/or speech challenges can apply for free phone and alerting devices.

10:00 a.m. WeWALK Smart Cane for Greater Independence and Safety

Speaker: Paul Burden, WeWALK

Learn how the WeWALK Smart Cane brings technology to the traditional white cane. The Smart Cane is paired with the WeWALK App to improve navigation and obstacle detection. It is specifically designed for the blind and visually impaired.

10:30 a.m. Accessibility Resources on Google Chrome

Speaker: Madalina Tudora, ATP, Office of Special Education Services, SC Department of Education

See free and low-cost assistive technology and accessibility tools built into the Google Chrome Platform.

11:00 a.m. Is that Fine Print Too Small?

Speaker: Sam Adler, HumanWare

See demonstrations of various portable solutions for a visually-impaired professional, student, or senior. Learn about magnification, speech, and accessibility using high-tech devices in the simplest and most efficient way for all ages and tasks.

11:30 a.m. Smart Drive – Power Your Push Your Way

Speaker: Lindsey Sharpe, PT, DPT, ATP, Permobil

Learn about the SmartDrive, a power assist device designed with the wheelchair rider in mind. It improves a manual wheelchair rider's mobility with minimal compromise. See its flexible control interface options.

Noon – 12:30 p.m. Lunch Break

12:30 p.m. Door Prize Give Away from the SC DD Council and the SC Assistive Technology Program

1:00 p.m. Wheel Pads, Accessible Dwelling Units, and Universal Design: Changing the Way We Build Homes

Speaker: RJ Adler, Wheel Pad

Learn how WheelPad makes home attachments and backyard cottages that can rapidly make any property universally accessible.

1:30 p.m. Let's Learn about Forbes AAC Products

Speaker: Kelly Thoel, Forbes AAC

See the Forbes AAC product line and learn why the communication products are a great solution for many AAC users.

2:00 p.m. Alternative Formats of Course Materials using Blackboard Ally

Speaker: Susan Quinn, University of South Carolina, Division of Information Technology

Learn about Blackboard Ally, available in multiple Learning Management Systems including Blackboard Learn. Convert course material files into multiple downloadable formats, including BeeLine Reader, electronic Braille, ePub, HTML, an OCR'd version, and Tagged PDF. Learn about the free online version of the Alternative Format feature.

2:30 p.m. Access and Assistance with Microsoft Technologies

Speaker: Heather Cox, Microsoft

This session will focus on technologies geared toward the empowerment of educators and students and cover various aspects of assistive and accessible technology including built-in free tools in the Microsoft 365 Suite. Learn how Windows 10 and 11 devices can support individuals with AT.

3:00 p.m. Low-Tech Solutions for Communication, Switch Access, and Adapted Toys

Speaker: Heather Koren, Westminster Technologies

See easy-to-use, affordable communication devices, switches, and adapted toys, as well as ways to implement them with fun and engaging activities.

3:30 p.m. SCATP 101

Speaker: Carol Page, PhD, CCC-SLP, SC Assistive Technology Program

Learn about the services provided by the SC Assistive Technology Program including equipment demonstrations and loans, reuse, equipment exchange program, and Adapted Toy Workshop.