DSA 2027 Conference Agenda

Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel | August 19–26, 2027
401 W. Pratt Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201

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Future changes will be posted to https://www.deafseniors.us/2027-conference and shared via DSA 2027 Conference Updates (sign up here)

Combo registration events are in teal italics and marked with an asterisk*

Thursday, August 19

Hotel Check-In for Pre-Conference Tour Participants

Friday, August 20

Hotel Check-In for Pickleball and Pre-Conference Tour Participants
9:00 AM–5:00 PM: Pre-Conference Tours

Saturday, August 21

Hotel Check-In for Exhibitors, Pickleball and Pre-Conference Tour Participants
8:00 AM–4:00 PM: Pickleball Tournament | Bounce Club in Pikesville, MD (Separately Ticketed Event)
9:00 AM–5:00 PM: Pre-Conference Tours
9:00 AM–6:00 PM: Exhibitor Move-In
1:00 PM–5:00 PM: Leadership Roundtable Summit for Local, State, Regional & National Senior Organization Leaders: Advocacy, Capacity Building & Networking (Separately Ticketed Event, Details TBA)

Sunday, August 22

Hotel Check-In for All Participants
8:00 AM–4:00 PM: Pickleball Tournament | Bounce Club in Pikesville, MD (Separately Ticketed Event)
8:00 AM–5:00 PM: Registration Opens
*12:00 PM–5:00 PM: Exhibit Hall Opens**
1:00 PM–3:00 PM: DSA Board Meeting (Open to All)
5:00 PM–6:00 PM: Meet & Greet for Conference First Timers
*6:00 PM–7:00 PM: Welcome Reception**
*7:00 PM–10:00 PM: Opening Ceremony: Welcoming Remarks | Phil Aiello, DSA President & Sherri Collins, DSA Executive Director**

Monday, August 23

8:00 AM–5:00 PM: Registration
*9:00 AM–10:00 AM: Plenary Presentation | Keynote Speaker: Kari Benton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aging, Administration on Aging (AoA), Administration for Community Living (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services)**
10:00 AM–4:30 PM: Memory Cafe
*10:00 AM–5:00 PM: Exhibit Hall**
*10:30 AM–11:30 AM: Workshop Sessions**
11:30 AM–1:00 PM: Lunch on Own
*1:00 PM–2:00 PM and 2:15 PM–3:15 PM: Workshop Sessions**
4:30 PM Onward: Dinner on Own
6:00 PM–7:00 PM: Speed Friending
7:00 PM–10:00 PM: Evening Activities/Entertainment

Tuesday, August 24

8:00 AM–5:00 PM: Registration
*8:30 AM–9:30 AM: Plenary Presentation | From Margins to the Center: Inclusion as a Cultural Value (Panelists TBA)**
9:30 AM–4:30 PM: Memory Cafe
*9:30 AM–5:00 PM: Exhibit Hall**
*10:30 AM–11:30 AM: Workshop Sessions**
11:30 AM–1:00 PM: Lunch on Own
*1:00 PM–2:00 PM: General/Plenary Session (TBA)**
2:00 PM–3:00 PM: Break (Visit Exhibit Hall)
*3:00 PM–4:00 PM: Workshop Sessions**
4:00 PM–5:00 PM: Break (Visit Exhibit Hall)
5:00 PM–6:00 PM: Special Event (Tentative)
6:00 PM Onward: Dinner on Own
7:00 PM–10:00 PM: Evening Activities/Entertainment
9:00 PM–10:00 PM: LGBTQ+ Social Gathering

Wednesday, August 25

8:00 AM–5:00 PM: Registration
*8:30 AM–3:00 PM: AgeTech Forum | Partnership with TDI: Presentations, Exhibit Hall, Genius "Help" and Demonstrations (Details TBA)**
3:30-9:00 PM: Exhibitor Move-Out
3:30 PM–4:30 PM: Open Forum | Town Hall
5:30 PM Onward: Dinner on Own (Possible Baltimore Crab Feast, Separately Ticketed Event, Details TBA)
6:00 PM–7:00 PM: DeafBlind Social Gathering
7:00 PM: Dingo Night

Thursday, August 26

8:00 AM–12:00 PM: Registration
*8:00 AM–12:00 PM: General (Business) Meeting & Elections**
*12:30 PM–4:00 PM: Farewell Gala/Luncheon**
4:00 PM Onward: Dinner on Own
5:00 PM–6:00 PM: Volunteer Appreciation Reception (Invitation Only)
7:00 PM–10:00 PM: Farewell Social Gathering

Additional Events | Separately Ticketed

Baltimore Orioles Baseball (Pending 2027 Schedule)
Baltimore Crab Feast (Pending)

More Information

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