

Don't forget: Austin ATD Leader in Learning Award applications are due by October 3!



Advancing the Austin Area's Learning Community

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Featured Awards, Committees, Conferences, and more!

Deadline MONDAY, October 3: Applying for the Austin ATD Leader in Learning Award

The Leader in Learning Award is a way for Austin ATD to recognize and highlight initiatives that enhance organizational achievement. This award is given to an individual, group, or organization that demonstrates exemplary use of training to improve organizational performance. Sound like you? [Consider applying](#) by the October 3 deadline.

Award Eligibility Criteria

Entries are accepted from individuals or training teams based in the Austin area (Bastrop, Bell, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson counties). The training can be implemented anywhere in the world. It can be for employee training or for an external audience. The training must have been created within the previous three years.

Employee Learning Week and Year End Banquet Planning Committee

Looking for a short-term volunteer opportunity? Planning our annual year-end banquet and our Employee Learning Week activities has already begun!

Our next two meetings are [October 10](#) and [October 24](#). Please register so we know to expect you!



Corporate Learning Week: Dallas, TX

Impact. Results. ROI. Another great benefit to being an Austin chapter member? Discounts to great conferences! Use code 2016CLW_AUSTIN to get a 15% discount. Conference is November 7-10 in downtown Dallas. See the agenda, read about the speakers, and register at: <http://www.clnweek.com/>



Seeking Raffle Donations

Looking for a quick volunteer opportunity? Talk to your company and see if they have something to offer for our year-end raffle! Have an extra bottle of wine laying around or some unused gift cards? Consider donating them to help make our raffle really great! No item is too small! If you have something to share, please email [Kathy](mailto:kathy).



Upcoming Events

October Local Events

FREE: [October 11](#): 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM: 7 Things only a Professional Job Seeker might Know (Career Transition SIG)

How can you possibly know everything that you need to know about job searching? Join Angela Loeb for this information-packed presentation on some of the most important things she helps her clients understand about the job search.



FREE to Current Austin Chapter Members: [October 17](#): 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Board Meeting

This is your opportunity to talk with board members, hear what activities they have planned for the rest of the calendar year, and get involved! Join us - we'd love to have you.

[October 21 Lunch and Learn](#): 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM: Navigating the Rise of Technology
It seems like everywhere you turn these days you are confronted by new and different technology. She can translate technology for non-technical people, so join Michelle Spencer to learn some strategies for navigating this ever-changing technology landscape. It will help you get groups connected and communicating better, and it will help enable people to work effectively towards their end goals.



We will be raffling off a **free pass to the Corporate Learning Week** conference in Dallas, TX at the [October Lunch and Learn](#). Check your email for more information about the conference and join us for your chance to win!

FREE to current Austin Chapter Members: [October 25](#): 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM: Learning Technologies SIG

The Learning Technologies SIG presents the latest developments in blended and technical learning, instructional design, eLearning and educational technology. This SIG is designed to be a discussion group, so be sure to bring your own questions and ideas to share.

November & December Local Events

November 4: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Persuasive Phrasing for Learning

Imagine how much easier your job (and your life!) would be if people quit resisting your efforts to improve their working life and have them comply with expectations and regulations. Logically, we know they would benefit from your program, but they're resistant for some reason. Join Dr. Jonathan Peters and learn language patterns you can use to persuade learners to make a decision or take action. This is a hands-on workshop, so come ready to immediately apply what you learn. Seating is limited, so reserve your spot today!



FREE: **November 9:** 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM: Career Transition SIG

Save the date! Invite your friends and family who might be job seeking. This group is open to members and non-members.

FREE to Current Austin Chapter Members: **November 9:** 6:00 - 8:00 PM: Board Meeting

Talk with board members, hear what activities we have planned, and get involved! Join us - we'd love to have you.

December 8: 6:30 - 9:30 PM: Awards Banquet

In honor of Employee Learning Week, we will celebrate the achievements and contributions of those in our local learning and development community. Our theme this year is "Workforce Development is Everyone's Business". During our banquet we will announce winners for our Leader in Learning Award (deadline to apply is October 3), Volunteer of the Year Award, and the President's Award. Join us for a great time of networking, celebration, and recognition!



FREE: December 5-9: Employee Learning Week

Employee Learning Week is a great opportunity to demonstrate your commitment to workforce development. Showcase your company's talent development opportunities during the week and be recognized as an ATD "Champion of Learning!"



"Increasingly, business leaders realize that the most important asset in our knowledge economy is talent, and a skilled workforce is key to realizing results. We encourage all organizations to demonstrate their commitment to learning by recognizing employee learning week." -- Tony Bingham, ATD President and CEO

Featured ATD (National) Webinars

FREE to ATD (national) members: October 5, 1 PM - [7 course design wins and other cool learning strategies](#)
Creating engaging training that is tailor made for adult learners can be a challenge, but it doesn't have to be. This webcast will give you some fast tips and design ideas for building corporate training, such as leveraging video content and designing just-in-time training.

FREE to ATD (national) members: October 6, 2 PM - [What research says matters most before and after training](#)
Meta-analyses (statistical methods for contrasting and combining results from multiple research studies) tell us how to design, deliver, and implement training for best results. Using the training research literature, we can see what to do before, during, and after training to achieve the best outcomes.

[FREE to ATD \(national\) members: October 11, 2 PM - The secrets of e-learning: Tools that boost learner engagement](#)

This webcast reveals a number of effective approaches for creating e-learning that captures learners' attention and keeps it.

FREE to ATD (national) members: October 12, 1 PM - [Crucial competence: Building emotional and social intelligence](#)

This webcast is intended for those who want to improve their understanding of emotional and social intelligence and begin to integrate these known differentiators of performance into their personal and professional lives.

The best of both worlds

Becoming a member of ATD at the national level as well as an Austin Chapter member offers you twice the support, twice the resources, and twice the networking!

Jobs: Austin ATD members have access to our members-only job bank. ATD members get access to national job openings.

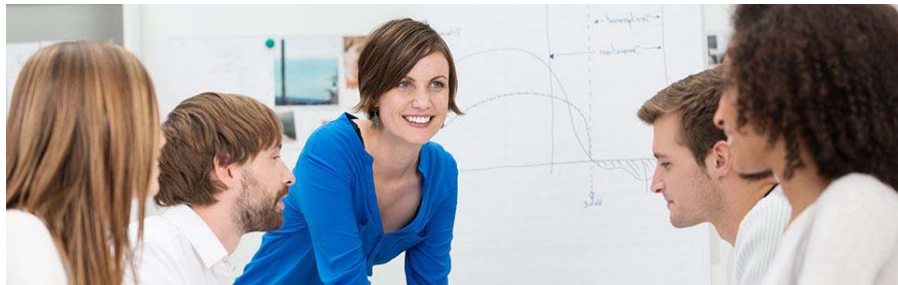
Professional Development: Austin ATD members have access to free or reduced-price professional development activities in the Austin area, like Lunch and Learns, Special Interest Groups, and Workshops! ATD members get access to webinars and discounts to conferences.



Consider being a Power Member today! If you join using our [website](#) or our CHIP code, you can earn money for our chapter! ...money we can use to bring you even better workshops and speakers.

Join our Team!

Are you looking for a way to give back to your local chapter? We have several openings for board positions, as well as committee members. Minimum qualifications are: organization, effective communication, planning, and a spirit of volunteerism! If you're interested, please see positions and additional qualifications below.



Board position - VP of Finance: Manages the operational finances of the chapter and coordinates the budget. Estimated time commitment = 8-10 hours per month.

Board position - VP of Membership: Coordinate new membership, send reminders for membership renewals.

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Board position - VP of Special Interest Groups: Coordinates maintaining and forming special interest groups within the chapter, including arranging speakers. Estimated time commitment = 10-12 hours per month.

Committee position - Social Media Guru: Moderates message boards, schedules posts on Facebook, Twitter, and/or LinkedIn. Estimated time commitment = 2-3 hours per month.


Committee position - Assistant to Technology: Keeps up with small changes to website content. Estimated time commitment = 2-3 hours per month.

Sound like fun? Sound like a way to boost your resume and skills? Sound like something you want to do? Please contact [Debrah Fields, Austin ATD President](#) for more information.

Welcome!

Welcome to Michelle Spencer, our new VP of Technology! Feel free to reach out to Michelle via [email](#) and welcome her to Austin, ATD, and the board. Have ideas for our website? She's listening!

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