

# SM Events & Education Calendar 2019

Autism Society of Minnesota, 2380 Wycliff St. #102; St. Paul, MN 55114

# The 2019-2020 AuSM Education Catalog is now available at www.ausm.org.

# October 1, 2019

AuSM Skillshop Guardianship: Do We Need It?

Location: AuSM Office

# October 3, 2019

Women with ASD Support Group

Location: AuSM Office

# October 5, 2019

Life With Autism: Adolescence and Transition

Location: AuSM Office

# October 10, 2019

LGBTQIA Adults with ASD Support Group

Location: AuSM Office

# October 10, 2019

AuSM Book Club

Location: Wescott Library

# October 10, 2019

Intelligent Lives Film Screening

Location: Rondo Library

# October 12, 2019

**AuSM Pumpkin Trolley** 

Location: Minnesota Street Car Museum

### October 12, 2019

Games by James 40th Anniversary Event

40% of proceeds benefit AuSM

Location: Mall of America

# October 12, 2019

AuSM at Gale Woods Farm

Location: Gale Woods Farm

# October 16, 2019

Monthly Birthday Celebration and Game Night

Location: AuSM Office

# October 16, 2019

Autism Friendly Early Entry

Location: Como Park Zoo & Conservatory

# October 17, 2019

Adult Family Member with ASD Support Group

Location: AuSM Office

#### October 18, 2019

Sensory-Friendly Performance: Circus Abyssinia

Location: Children's Theatre Company

# October 18, 2019

Chuck E. Cheese Fundraiser for AuSM

Location: All Minnesota Locations

# October 20-November 24, 2019

AuSM on the Town

Location: Around the Metro

# October 24, 2019

Independent Adults with ASD Support Group

Location: AuSM Office

# October 25-26, 2019

2019 Greenspan Floortime Conference

Location: Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

# October 25, 2019

Caregivers of Kids with ASD Support Group

Location: AuSM Office

# October 26, 2019

Ghostly Gala Halloween Party

Location: Brooklyn Park Community Center

#### **November 8, 2019**

2nd Annual Southeastern Minnesota Autism Summit

Location: Empire Event Center

# November 10, 2019

Fire Building for People on the Spectrum

Location: Lowry Nature Center

# November 12, 2019

AuSM Skillshop: Let's Talk About It: Disclosure

Location: AuSM Office

# November 14, 2019

Give to the Max Day

www.givemn.org

Additional sensory-friendly community events and activities are listed on AuSM's website under the 'Events' tab. You also will find a link to AuSM's Guide to Sensory-Friendly Minnesota.



# **Events & Education Calendar 2019**

In line with our mission, the Autism Society of Minnesota's events and educational programming are designed to enhance the lives of individuals touched with ASD, along with their families, educators, caregivers and employers. Find out more at www.ausm.org.

#### **AuSM Social Skills Classes**

Led by autism experts, AuSM social skills classes foster confidence and self-esteem while participants make friends, interact with a group, practice socializing, and have fun – all while educators encourage participants to be themselves. Classes offer low-stress, accepting environments that promote learning and growth while celebrating neurodiversity. Class venues include CsZ Twin Cities, Three Rivers Park District, Minnesota Zoo, and others.

#### **AuSM Autism Training**

AuSM provides state-wide trainings on autism and related topics, including anxiety, autism and employment, practical and inclusion strategies, emergency preparedness, and transition needs.

# **AuSM Skillshops**

AuSM Skillshops are a skill-building series of workshops for people who care for individuals on the autism spectrum. Classes are designed with a "hands-on" approach, encouraging participation, discussion and problem-solving. AuSM Skillshops are located on location at Lionsgate Academy, Lindamood-Bell, St. David's Center, and University of St. Thomas. See AuSM website for details.

# **AuSM Camp**

AuSM Summer Camps are staffed with experienced directors, medical staff, therapists and counselors who understand the need for structure, visual schedules, environmental supports, social stories and individualized communication systems. Campers ages 6 and up can enjoy a summer experience in a safe, fun-filled environment.

#### **AuSM Connections Jigsaw Puzzle Competition**

The AuSM Connections Jigsaw Puzzle Competition is an annual fundraising event that brings the community together to compete and see who can complete a jigsaw puzzle the fastest.

#### **AuSM Golf Classic**

The AuSM Golf Classic gives golfers a chance to make a difference in the lives of those with autism, while golfing on the amazing Royal Golf Club in Lake Elmo.

#### **AuSM Life with Autism Series**

Parents, family members, relatives and caregivers come away with practical strategies and suggestions to help guide their journey through the age-specific stages of life.

#### **AuSM Counseling and Consulting Services**

AuSM's Counseling and Consulting Services team has decades of experience working with individuals with ASD. Our licensed psychologists and therapists offer diagnostic, functional, or behavioral assessments for all ages; individual therapy; family therapy; behavior consultation; marriage and couples therapy; IQ, emotion regular, and adaptive functioning tests, and consultations for organizations and service providers.

# Minnesota Autism Conference

Held annually during Autism Awareness Month, the Minnesota Autism Conference is open to the public and is especially beneficial for teachers, educators, doctors, clinicians, psychologists, as well as parents and families of individuals on the autism spectrum, including adults with ASD.

# **Navigating MSP Airport**

Held at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Navigating Autism allows families the opportunity to familiarize themselves with airport and travel procedures. These events are co-organized by the Minneapolis Airport Commission, AuSM and Fraser.

#### Steps for Autism in Minnesota

Steps for Autism in Minnesota is AuSM's annual fundraising walk to raise community awareness of autism in Minnesota. Walkers participate as teams and individuals to raise money for autism programming and education.

# Support Groups (free of charge)

AuSM provides a variety of support groups to meet the needs of parents, children, family members, individuals, couples, LGBTQA+ communities, and more. AuSM Support Groups are held at the AuSM office in St. Paul.

#### Workshops

AuSM workshops meet the professional development needs of busy ASD specialists, educators and parents by presenting cutting-edge research, technology and therapies in one- and two-day formats.