

Infant Development Association of California  
Southern California Regional Conference

**Effective Collaboration: Together We Are Unstoppable**



**Session Description**  
**Friday, March 3, 2017**  
**10:30 am - Noon**

**SING AND SPEAK – Using Evidence-Based Music Therapy to Assist Children with Relationships and Communication**

Music is a collaborative activity that both ignites social bonding and stimulates the whole brain. When a young child with special needs such as autism has difficulty learning to speak and socialize, song has successfully accelerated them to become kindergarten-ready. Through video and collaborative activities, including an overview of *Sing and Speak 4 Kids* online program, the audience will experience how music and sound can affect the brain and speech.

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Author of *Sound Design: The Expressive Power of Music, Voice and Sound Effects in Cinema* and consultant for Electronic Arts, Nickelodeon TV, Walt Disney Family Museum and countless film productions, David has taught audio in schools throughout the world. He's also been a sleep lab researcher, white water river guide, Balinese-style mask carver, symphony clarinetist and feature film director, now putting together these experiences and leading iQsonics to produce musical games for children that will enhance their cognitive, social and expressive skills.