

"Beyond Barriers"

Montana Association for the Blind's state convention Sept. 20-22, 2024 in Bozeman, MT

You are invited to show how you help people with visual impairment to go beyond barriers!

Our gathering will include 80-100 people, ages 16-90+, most with vision loss. Our keynote speakers are Kristin Smedley and Charlie Collins who are focused on Thriving Blind.

Vendor Opportunities:

Display setup Friday 1pm; tear-down Sat. by 4:30pm.

Fri. Sept. 20, 3pm: panel or session by vendors.

Fri. Sept. 20, 7 – 9pm: vendor showcase with appetizers and live background music.

Sat. Sept. 21: convention attendees can visit with you during breaks in meetings.

You'll be acknowledged in MAB's social media posts and website, and in the convention program.

Vendor fee \$100: one 6-foot table, 1 ticket for both the lunch and dinner meals on Saturday. Nonprofit fee: \$25 (meals not included)

Would you like to give a product to our live or silent auction, or contribute toward a sponsorship? The live auction benefits Summer Orientation Program, our course to learn adaptations to visual impairment. Silent auction helps offset costs of the convention. Sponsorship opportunities range from helping a student attend convention to helping pay for snacks.

Location: Comfort Inn, 1370 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Bozeman, MT 59715. It's a football weekend, so please make your hotel reservations early; phone 406-587-2322. Room rates for our convention are \$155 per night plus tax; this includes a hot breakfast.

We look forward to convention with you,

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## Vendor reply form: MAB convention "Beyond Barriers" Sept. 20-22, 2024, Bozeman

Company name Contact person email phone mailing address

Yes, please save me a space: need more than one 6-foot table? need electricity?

I would like to participate in a session featuring vendors at 3pm on Friday Sept. 20. My ideas for topics:

I will: donate a product (for live auction? for silent auction?) product:

contribute \$ to a sponsorship

Todd will email you updates and the vendor confirmation and registration form, when you can confirm your participation and pay.

Thank you!