Louisville, Kentucky

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A summit to unite the adoption, assisted reproduction, and non-paternal event communities into one amplified voice.

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Join Right to Know (RTK) and the National Association of Adoptees and Parents (NAAP) in beautiful Louisville, Kentucky as we bring together for the first time the adoption, assisted reproduction, and NPE communities.

This Summit is designed to be innovative with cutting-edge expert speakers, thought leaders from across the U.S. and the world, and organizations specializing in our communities. We will offer numerous presentations, interactive workshops, panel discussions, as well as multiple opportunities to connect.

As a sponsor of this groundbreaking summit, you can be part of making history with us.

**Date and Venue**

March 30-April 1, 2023

- 3/30: 6:00pm-10:00pm registration & entertainment
- 3/31 & 4/1: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Marriott Louisville East, Louisville, KY**

Sponsorship opportunities range from $125 to $12,000
About

Our Communities

We represent a diverse group from every age level, geographic region, and socio-economic, political, educational, and ethnic background.

We estimate that 1 in 20 people have a misattributed parentage experience (MPE) — that’s 16.5 million Americans. That’s 16.5 million who are part of our community and may be interested in your services or product.

While we have a vast degree of interests, we are enthusiastic about:
  • genealogy
  • family history
  • genetics
  • psychology
  • writing
  • family dynamics
  • truth-seeking
  • technology & science
  • age-old question-nature vs. nurture.

Percent of the Population

- 3%-5% Conceived through a Non-Paternal Event (NPE)
- 4% Conceived through Assisted Reproduction
- 2.5% Adopted
Some people grow up knowing they are adopted or donor-conceived, or that they have a different genetic father out there somewhere. Others have a DNA surprise and learn that one, or both, of their parents are not genetically related to them.

Regardless of how we get to the point of wanting to know our genetic identity, who we are, who we’re related to—once we stand at that point, we have very similar challenges, self discoveries, issues, and blessings.
Event Highlights

Event Objective
- unite the adoption, assisted reproduction, and NPE communities into one amplified voice
- advance awareness and education
- seek truth and healing
- foster connections and understanding

Speakers, Panels, and Workshops
From across the world, therapists, story tellers, educators, artists and experts in trauma, identity, DNA, sociology, genealogy, genetics, and much more will join us for two-and-a-half-days of exploration, education, healing, and networking.

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KEYNOTE

Speaker Panel

Christine Jacobsen
A retired dancer and school counselor and author of "Dancing Around the Truth," she discovered through DNA testing that her father was not related to her and that her biological father was black. This added a layer of conflict to her fractured sense of identity. She was shocked but also relieved at the confirmation of her long-held sense that something was not right growing up.

Astrid Catro
Founder & CEO of Adoption Mosaic, which provides innovative adoptee-centered programs and support. She was adopted at four from Colombia (with her sister) and has been in reunion with her birth family since 2011. Her personal experiences as an adoptee, a woman of color, and growing up in a white family and community, fuel her professional path to helping others.

Chrysta Bilton
An American writer and memoirist, she authored "Normal Family: The Surprising Truth About My Crazy Childhood." Her memoir is a captivating coming-of-age story about her reckoning with the secrets both parents had carefully kept from her. Her writing has also appeared in The Guardian, Literary Hub, and Newsweek. She lives in L.A. with her husband and two children.
In an instant, Paul Fronczak became a man without a name, a birthday, or medical history—an “unidentified living person,” in official terminology. Ten years ago, Paul took a DNA test that disproved the story he’d been told about his identity. Paul has spent the last ten years searching for answers. His motto: “Leave no stone unturned.”
RTK and NAAP reach members of their communities and beyond through engaging websites, social media posts, direct email, and virtual events.
First EVER Summit

What are People Saying?

Leanne Hay, author of NPE: A Story Guide

"The societal results of direct-to-consumer DNA tests have united the NPE, donor conceived, and adoptee communities, to change public perceptions and state laws. This summit ignites the next phase of action."

Leslie Pate Mckinnon, LCSW

"A Summit bringing together the adoption, assisted reproduction, and non-paternal event communities is the fruition of a long-time dream! Forming coalitions among groups with similar challenges, impacts, and goals will hasten our success!"

Dr. Anita Foeman, DNA Discussion Project West Chester University

"This is an opportunity to be part of an important and positive conversation. For more than 15 years, we've examined the impacts of over-the-counter DNA testing on who we are. We are excited to further the discussion and participate in the summit."

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Anyone can have a DNA surprise: we’re your friend, neighbor, cousin...
Summit

Sponsorship Packages

The Untangling Your Roots Summit offers sponsors and partners a variety of opportunities to engage and support our communities while also meeting your marketing and branding goals.

Visibility
Our 350+ live attendees, unlimited digital viewership as well as more than a 30,000 and growing social media footprint will maximize your reach creating unique brand exposure.

Media Branding
RTK & NAAP will use traditional news media, radio, and social media to promote the Untangling Our Roots Summit, connecting our partners and sponsors to a broader audience.

Derby Benefits

Your logo and organization’s name will be promoted with summit materials including the program, schedule, and website. RTK & NAAP will announce your sponsorship in a press release and on social media. Your information will be on display in our secondary classroom.

Daily Double Benefits

The Derby package plus even more media coverage and event exposure of your sponsorship and we will include your organization in our social media and news blitz. Plus two free attendee tickets and an opportunity to meet our keynote speakers.

Derby $3,000

- Your organization and logo on the Untangling Our Root Summit website, schedule, and in the program
- We will announce your sponsorship on social media
- RTK &NAAP will issue a press release announcing your sponsorship
- Vendor space
- Your logo displayed in secondary classroom

Daily Double $7,000

- All Derby Benefits Plus...
  - Your organization and logo on the Untangling Our Root Summit website, schedule, in the program, on the event T-shirt, in the lobby and on registration badges
  - Announcement of your sponsorship included in various social media campaigns
  - RTK &NAAP will issue a press release announcing your sponsorship
  - Vendor space
  - Your promotional materials added to gift bag
  - Banner signage in secondary meeting room
  - 2 free attendee tickets

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The Triple Crown package incorporates the Derby and Daily Double benefits while expanding your brand presence to all Untangling Our Roots Summit promotional materials including our website, schedule, program, traditional media articles, announcements, and advertisements. Your organization will also be included in all social media campaigns.

**Visibility**
The Untangling your Roots Summit is a prime opportunity to have your brand reach our social media following with continued posts throughout each day, your logo displayed in the keynote speaker conference hall, along with showcasing your brand logo on the step and repeat banner. These will be powerful ways to showcase your brand for attendees and the community at large.

**Media Branding**
Your logo will be placed alongside RTK and NAAP for all of our branding, digital, traditional, and on-line media outreach.

**2 VIP Guest Passes**
VIP access includes access to all sessions and introduction to keynote speakers and plenary speaker.

**Content Benefit**
As a Triple Crown sponsor, in addition to information about your organization included on our marketing platforms (website and promotional materials), recorded video of our brand partners and Triple Crown sponsors from the summit will be included in our digital content.
Participation Opportunities

Table Sponsor
Promote your organization

Exhibitor Space
Show off your products, book, podcast, app, etc.

- $250
  * Discounts for creative talent

- $125
  * for display purposes, actual stand may be different

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Every attendee will go home with your logo. Proudly display your logo on our name and schedule badges along with our Daily Double and Triple Crown sponsors.

Sponsoring Wi-Fi is sure to make you popular with event attendees. Your logo will be displayed everywhere the Wi-Fi password is.

All attendees will be glad to carry your logo along with our primary Daily Doubly and Triple Crown sponsors with a bag full of Summit goodies.

Your logo on display for all media associated with our therapy room — a quiet place to pause with a licensed therapist available for attendees if needed.

Registration Badges

Wi-Fi

Goodie Bag

Therapy Room

$875.00

$1,000.00

$1,500.00

$2,000

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Let’s capture attendees’ stories for you and us to their unique journeys with the world. Your logo will be printed next to Story Hour promotions, and your sponsorship announced on the recordings.

**Story Hour**

$4,500

We’ll bring the entertainment, you provide the drinks or appetizers. We will announce your sponsorship, display your logo on the table, and next to all media associated with this event.

**Drinks or Hors d’oeuvres**

$6,000

We all love snacks at a summit. We will announce your support of snack time, display your logo on the table, and in all schedules.

**Snack Time**

$2,500

Conferences run on caffeine all day. We will announce your sponsorship, display your logo on the table, and in all schedules.

**Coffee Break**

$2,750

We’d love to have you join us in discovering your roots.
Since 2015 the National Association of Adoptees and Parents (NAAP), formerly Indiana Adoptee Network, has dedicated resources to enhancing the lives of adoptees by unifying their diverse voices. Our programming seeks to EDUCATE, ELEVATE, and EMPOWER by promoting dialogue, understanding, and healing. Through education, awareness, and connection, we are striving to establish a new adoption narrative.

Right to Know was founded in 2019 to support people impacted by DNA surprises through education, mental health initiatives, and advocacy and to promote understanding of the complex intersection of genetic information, identity, and family dynamics. It is a fundamental human right to know your genetic identity. If you've had a DNA surprise and need help, please call our hotline 323-TALK-MPE, you're not alone.