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The Criminal Justice Honor Society

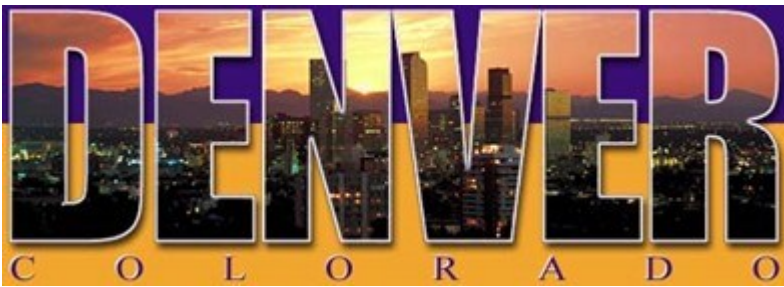


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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

March 12-14, 2025



Sheraton Downtown Denver

Majestic Ballroom



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Alpha Phi Sigma

WEDNESDAY, March 12, 2025

9:30 am - 10:45 am **Alpha Phi Sigma Student Member Mixer** *Majestic Ballroom*
Join the Executive (national) Student Officers at this student led Icebreaker
Executive Student Officers:
President Jordan Allen, Missouri State Univ. (MSU), Vice President Le'monna Cox, North Carolina Central Univ., Secretary Courtney Massey, (MSU), Treasurer Claire Hoffman, (MSU).

Chapters place your yearbook on designated table by 4 p.m.

**If you are competing in the Theme of the Year and/or Goals Awards,
please hand the Flash Drive with your presentation to Mrs. Dawn Durney from HQ.**

11:00 am - 12:00 pm **Lunch on Your Own**
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm **Student Registration for Opening Ceremony** *Majestic Ballroom Foyer*

12:30 pm – 3:00 pm **Alpha Phi Sigma Opening Ceremony** *Majestic Ballroom*
Procession of Alpha Phi Sigma National Executive Board
Honor Guard



Greetings by ACJS President, Dr. Bitna Kim



Mirror Image Arts

Keynote Speaker: Mirror Image Arts

"Transforming Justice: Restorative Theatre as a Pathway to Empowered Youth"

A Youth Advocacy organization disrupting the Pipeline to Prison through Restorative Theatre. Their work is the collective liberation of all. Bringing Restorative Theatre to youth and youth serving adults in schools, community organizations, and detention centers, they create spaces of healing and belonging while deepening social and emotional wellbeing.

Facilitators: Maya Osterman-Van Grack



Kiana English



3:15 pm – 3:45 pm **Campaign Speeches for Executive Officers (national)** *Majestic Ballroom*
Candidate for Presidential Slate: ***Indian River State College***
Candidate for Vice President: ***Miami Dade College***
Candidate for Vice President: ***University of Maryland Eastern Shore***

4:00 pm- 5:00 pm **Alpha Phi Sigma Q&A Session** *Savoy Room*
Associate Director Adriana Jansen and Executive Assistant Dawn Durney
Join us for an informal Q&A session and ask away!!
We welcome Advisors, Charter inquiries, and students.

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm **Forensic Workshop-Pre-Requisite for Crime Scene Investigation** *Majestic Ballroom*
Presented by: Dr. John McLaughlin
Students must attend Forensic Workshop to qualify for entry in the Crime Scene Investigation Competition.

4:45 pm **Crime Scene Investigation** *Announced at the Workshop*
Presented by: Advisor Dr. Jeri Kirby and the Fairmont State University,
Epsilon Chapter, winners of the 2024 Crime Scene Investigations, along with
Dr. John McLaughlin, Chapter Advisor, South Florida State College.

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm **ACJS President's Reception** *Plaza ABC, Plaza Concourse Level*

THURSDAY, March 13, 2025

- 8:15 am – 9:15 am **Juvenile Justice Knowledge Scholarship Test** *Majestic Ballroom*
Dr. Tamara Wilkins, Minnesota State University, Mankato.
Proctored by Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, Boise State University
& Prof. Ivy Yarckow-Brown, Missouri State University.
Open to all Alpha Phi Sigma Undergraduate and Graduate Members
- 9:30 am **Alpha Phi Sigma Judging of Yearbooks DUE**
Judges, please hand rubrics to Headquarters Executive Assistant, Dawn Durney
- 9:30 am - 12:15 pm **Alpha Phi Sigma Presentation and Judging of:** *Majestic Ballroom*
THEME OF THE YEAR: *California State University, Fullerton, Gamma Rho Chapter &*
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Gamma Omicron Chapter
CHAPTER GOALS OF LEADERSHIP, SERVICE & UNITY:
California State University, Fullerton Gamma Rho Chapter (all 3 goals)
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, Gamma Omicron Chapter (all 3 goals)
Indian River State College, Pi Beta Iota Chapter (all 3 goals)
University of Houston Downtown, Alpha Phi Chapter (Leadership & Service)
Florida International University, Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter (Service)
North Carolina A&T State University, Eta Upsilon Chapter (Unity)
INSTAGRAM CHALLENGE: *Washington State University, Alpha Chapter*
University of South Florida, Sigma Chapter
Indian River State College, Pi Beta Iota Chapter
University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Gamma Omicron Chapter
University of Houston, Downtown, Alpha Phi Chapter
Florida International University, Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter
California State University, Fullerton, Gamma Rho Chapter
North Carolina Central University, Eta Lambda Chapter

VOTING: *Chapters Present and in good standing will receive (1) ballot to vote.*
- 12:30 pm - 1:15 pm **Student Luncheon Sponsored by ACJS &** *Plaza ABC, Plaza Concourse Level*
Co-Sponsored by Alpha Phi Sigma– No Advisors
Students MUST be registered with ACJS and wearing their registration badge to attend.
- 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm **College Quiz Bowl** *Majestic Ballroom*
Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, Boise State University
- 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm **Chapter Advisor Meeting** *Savoy Room*
Associate Director Adriana Jansen and Headquarters
- 3:00 pm **All campaigning MUST stop, and all campaigning materials removed from the room.**
- 3:00 – 5:30 pm **Tour of the Denver Police Museum and Crime Lab** *Hotel Lobby*
Alpha Phi Sigma members joining the tour, please meet the
Executive (national) Student Officers and Advisor Ivy Yarckow-Brown
in the hotel lobby. We will be departing on foot at 3:15 promptly.



DENVER POLICE
MUSEUM

FRIDAY, March 14, 2025

9:00 am – 11:15 am	Round Table Discussions: <i>Topic: Recruitment of Criminal Justice Minor Degree Students (for Faculty)</i> <i>Chair, Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, Boise State University</i> <i>Topic: Recruitment & Retention of Chapter Members</i> <i>Chair, Prof. Andrew Kuo, North Carolina A&T State University</i> <i>Topic: Chapter Social Media & Virtual Events</i> <i>Chair, Dr. Janese Weathers-Titus, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore</i> <i>Topic: Fundraising & Chapter Budgeting</i> <i>Chair, Dr. Kimberlie Massnick, Indian River State College</i> <i>Topic: Member Involvement & Service Projects for Chapters</i> <i>Chair, Dr. Veronica Herrera, California State University, Fullerton</i> <i>Topic: Pinning & Induction Ceremonies</i> <i>Chair, Dr. Lorna Grant, North Carolina Central University</i> <i>Topic: Theme of the Year and Goal Awards (HQ scholarships in general)</i> <i>Chair, Prof. Ivy Yareckow-Brown, Missouri State University</i>	<i>Majestic Ballroom</i>
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch on your own	
12:45 pm – 2:00 pm	 Presentation by Chris Wolfe, “Not The Life...They Wanted” A look at youth intervention programs in Miami Dade County Schools, Florida, the third largest schools district in the United States, as well as the challenges facing large metropolitan school districts as it pertains to school juvenile intervention programs.	<i>Majestic Ballroom</i>
2:15 pm - 2:30 pm	Alpha Phi Sigma Business Meeting <i>Roll Call & National Officers Reports</i>	<i>Majestic Ballroom</i>
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Campaign Wrap-up Speeches for National Executive Student Officers Voting for Executive Student Officers <i>Chapters Present and in good standing will receive (1) ballot to vote.</i> Installation of 2025-2027 Executive Student Officers and Advisors Alpha Phi Sigma Scholarships & Awards <i>V.A. Leonard Scholarship, Regina B. Shearn Scholarship, Nay-Latocki Veteran Scholarship, Best Paper Competition, Knowledge Test, Student Member of the Year Award, Student Member Achievement Award, Advisor of the Year Award, Chapter Goal Awards, Star Chapter, Community Service Project Award, Outstanding Yearbook Competition, Instagram Reels Challenge, Web Page Grants, Social Media Grants, Chapter Grants, Advisor Grants, Advocacy Grants, Quiz Bowl, Crime Scene Investigation, & Attendance Scholarships.</i>	<i>Majestic Ballroom</i>
Immediately Following Awards Ceremony	National Executive Board Meeting (National Executive Board Members Only) <i>All Board Members, including Newly Elected Slates, <u>Must</u> Attend Closing Meeting.</i>	<i>Majestic Ballroom</i>

Alpha Phi Sigma

MERCHANDISE BOOTH CLOSSES AT NOON ON FRIDAY.

GUEST SPEAKERS & EVENTS



Mirror Image Arts

Join Mirror Image Arts in transforming youth interventions through Restorative Theatre, a unique approach combining somatic play, storytelling, and restorative practices. This interactive session will explore how evidence-based methods and theatre techniques can disrupt the pipeline to prison and empower youth to reclaim their narratives. Participants will engage in dynamic activities and learn how to adapt these tools to foster healing, resilience, and systemic change in their own communities. Rooted in public health frameworks, this program highlights Prevention, Intervention, and Reintegration strategies for collective liberation and lasting impact.



Kiana English Program Coordinator for Restorative Theatre

Kiana English is an Actor, Teaching Artist, and Writer. When she graduated from American Musical Dramatic Academy with her BFA in Theatre, she knew she wanted to use her degree to help communities that didn't have access to art. She started creating organizations (Culture of Survivors), proposals (toxic masculinity and bodies of cultures), and other individual artist projects that served at-risk communities. She went on to be a teaching artist in Philadelphia for two years for at-risk youth before coming to Mirror Image Arts to continue her work. Kiana has specialized in utilizing Restorative Theatre with system impacted youth for the past four years.



Maya Osterman Executive Director of Programs

Maya began her work as an applied theatre practitioner over a decade ago. Upon receiving her BFA in Theatre Performance from the University of Colorado (with a focus on applied theatre), Maya was the Assistant Director for the Interactive Theatre Project housed on the University of Colorado - Boulder campus.

She then created the ACTivism Theatre Ensemble, a company of high school and college students performing an educational outreach/prevention play for The SAVA (Sexual Assault Victim Advocacy) Center throughout Colorado. While living in North Carolina she wrote plays for the Interactive Theatre Carolina at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill exploring race and identity. At that time she also founded Restorative Theatre which is now in the process of being trademarked as the pedagogy and praxis of MIA. Maya has facilitated programming in youth detention centers for 10 years. Maya has taught theatre and dance as an elementary school teacher and has worked as a Para for Special Education in K-8 schools. Maya joined Mirror Image Arts in July 2014.



Chris Wolfe

Chris helps life-sentenced men, who are now eligible for parole, transition from institutionalized prison life, back into society, and many of these men were sentenced to life in prison while they were just teenagers. Chris will share their stories with you, so you understand how they ended up in prison. Not one of their parents ever thought their son would end up in prison, unfortunately, they did. We can all learn from these stories to prevent any young person from making the same bad choices and bad decisions these men made, which changed the trajectory of their lives... forever.

In 2007, Chris founded the Voices of Time Toastmasters Club for the Corrections Transition Program at Everglades Correctional Institution. Not only do the men in this program all become better speakers, listeners, and thinkers, they all gain tremendous confidence and self-esteem, which a sizable percentage of the men never had. Chris uses his knowledge of The Power of Public Speaking to illustrate how effective communication is essential for troubled youths.

Chris is a graduate of the University of Florida, where he earned a B.S. in Business Administration and majored in Management. In 2007. He is on the Board of Directors, RBS Corrections Transition Program. Chris is also a member of the National Marijuana Initiative's speaker's bureau, as well as a spokesperson for the organization, which provides information on the negative effects of marijuana usage. For thirty years, Chris has been involved with Toastmasters International and has served as President of the Miracle Mile Toastmasters Club, in Coral Gables, Florida, and competed in numerous public speaking competitions.



DENVER POLICE MUSEUM

The Denver Police Museum is dedicated to preserving the 150 years history of law enforcement in the city and county building through the collection and preservation of artifacts, documents, and photographs!

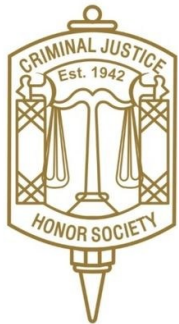


Join us for a tour of the museum and the Denver Crime Laboratory, known as
“the most advanced crime lab in the world!”

3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, 2025

The Executive (National) Officers & Council Member Ivy Yarckow-Brown will meet Alpha Phi Sigma members in the hotel lobby at 3:00 pm and lead the walk (less than 1/2 mile) to the museum.

This is a free field trip for all Alpha Phi Sigma members!



SAVE THE DATE

Alpha Phi Sigma 2026 Conference
March 4-6, 2026 in Philadelphia, PA
Philadelphia Marriott Downtown Hotel



Alpha Phi Sigma MERCHANDISE BOOTH

Visit our merchandise booth for our 2025 conference commemorative t-shirt, new soft and warm sweats, jackets, cups and more. We are located in the Majestic Ballroom and open from 8:30 am to 5 pm except during speaker sessions.

