

2025 AL-APSE Featured Speakers



Opening Session Kadarian Hill-a former Ole Miss football player and recipient of the prestigious Chucky Mullins Award, exemplifies courage, leadership, and resilience. After attending rookie minicamps with the NFL's Bills and Jets and being drafted by the XFL Orlando Guardians, KD's promising football career was abruptly halted by a severe car accident just days before NFL training camp in July 2023. Rather than succumb to despair, KD embraced his situation with defiance, famously saying "try me" instead of "why me." KD will share his story and the power of resilience and positive mindset in the face of life's toughest challenges.



Thursday General- Cody Clark -calls Louisville, Kentucky home. He was diagnosed as autistic at 15 months and his parents were told he'd never walk, talk, get married, have a job, and more. He overcame these expectations while developing an understanding and empathy for the autism community. At the age of 11, he was brought on stage at a magic show and was so inspired that he decided to pursue magic. He joined the Louisville Magic Club, studied at the Jeff McBride Magic & Mystery School in Las Vegas, and used his Bachelor's degree in Marketing and Theatre Arts from the University of Louisville to launch his business. Cody

creates a truly unique style of magic by blending his own stories with his passions for theatre, stand-up comedy, classic country music, storytelling, and autism



Friday- Closing Session- Jenny Nolen a very unconventional presenter, who will go to any length to make sure her audience is relaxed, has fun, and is ready to learn and retain! Whether using props, singing, quoting poetry or performing magic, attendees will leave not only having laughed a lot, but also with valuable lessons in wit, wisdom and wonder.

Known as ONE FUNNY LADY, Jenny has been in the national spotlight as an entertainer, speaker and trainer for well over a quarter of a century. She specializes in helping any group who is looking to strengthen its team capabilities, overcome issues of stress and negativity, and create a new vision for leadership.