

TED Style Public Speaking Workshop TEDxABQ

Join Executive Director of TEDxABQ, Laurie Magovern, in a half-day pre-conference workshop to explore the powerful and approachable techniques commonly utilized to create TED-like short, powerful presentations. Using examples from successful TED talks, participants will shape their bold ideas for sharing and experience public speaking coaching in a supportive and positive environment. Workshop participants will leave with improved skills, ease and confidence.

TED is a nonprofit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short, powerful talks (18 minutes or less). TED began in 1984 as a conference where Technology, Entertainment and Design converged, and today covers almost all topics—from science to business to global issues—in more than 100 languages. The TEDx Program was created by TED in 2009 to encourage communities, organizations and individuals to spark conversation and connection through TED-like experiences. As one of the thousands of TEDx organizations worldwide, TEDxABQ independently organizes TED-style events locally, building community in New Mexico through the power of ideas. The TEDxABQ coaching process adapts to expand a speaker's ability to communicate his or her message regardless of technical complexity or poignant subject matter.

The Instructor: Laurie Magovern is the Executive Director at TEDxABQ and Adjunct Instructor at Anderson Abruzzo Albuquerque Balloon Museum. Laurie is a professional and award-winning storyteller, having presented at festivals, schools, libraries and theaters across New Mexico, Colorado and Washington, DC. For 15 years she has led workshops in the art of improvisation, storytelling and how to use it in professional and educational settings.