

OPENING PLENARY

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. *Hilton International Ballroom*

Seeing with Kaleidoscope Eyes

James Manseau Saucedo, Director of the Multicultural Center and Professor of Communication Studies, California State University, Long Beach



“The same Light is coming through glasses of different colors. But in the heart of everything the same Truth reigns.”

These empowering words of acceptance were first spoken at the World’s Parliament of Religions on September 19, 1973. An audience of over 4,000 came to listen and learn from delegates representing 10 of the world’s great religions. From that gathering, an ecumenical Heart was created.

Together, we will revisit and renew our shared Spirit by inviting Wholeness of Learning and Teaching. We will seek to retrieve and nourish community partnerships, build alliances of Hope, and foster coalitions of Compassion. We will connect our individuality to collective Service, and we will depart practicing pathways that make us better students and more loving teachers. With one purpose, we will integrate a multiplicity of learning styles and cross-cultural communication skills...looking forward with Kaleidoscope Eyes.

Dr. Manseau Saucedo, a third-generation Mexican-American and native son of Los Angeles, is a scholar in multiculturalism, intercultural communication, and international education while also pursuing creative writing projects, including plays and poetry. He is currently completing *Communicating Across the Cultural Divide: Understanding and Experiencing Multicultural America*, and his play, *Magic Kit*, for which he also composed the musical score, was awarded a top prize in the National Chicano Literary Competition. Dr. Saucedo is the founder and director of “The Rainbow Voices,” a multicultural theater troupe which has brought issues of diversity to schools ranging from elementary to college. He has been a featured speaker at TESOL, the United Nations Association, the Association of International Educators (NAFSA), and numerous other venues.

GALA RECEPTION

8:30 - 10:00 pm *Hilton San Gabriel*



Now that you’re psyched up and ready to embrace the “Whole Learner, Whole Teacher” conference theme, it’s time to relax. Spend some time enjoying the music of “The Joy of Jazz” while munching on a delectable assortment of hot and cold hors d’oeuvres and socializing with CATESOL friends old and new. Soft drinks will be provided, and a no-host bar will also be available. “The Joy of Jazz” quartet plays easy-listening music spanning early through modern jazz, the Swing Era, tunes from the Great American Songbook, and contemporary pop. The band members have honed their skills over more than 40 years of performing and teaching music. The group will be joined by fellow CATESOLer and saxophone player Rob Jenkins.