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Assistive Technology Access Fair



Connecting educators, employers, practitioners and individuals with disabilities to assistive technology

October 16, 2023. 1:00 p.m.
Farm Bureau Expo Center
945 East Baddour Parkway
Lebanon, TN 37087

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Sam Seavey, *The Blind Life*
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Assistive Technology Vendors
Consumer Success Stories

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To register for the fair, visit
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Keynote Speaker Sam Seavey

Sam was diagnosed at age 11 with Stargardt's, an early onset form of macular degeneration, and was legally blind by his mid-teens. Over the last 30 years, he has developed an extensive background in research and understanding of assistive devices and techniques of living with low vision.



Sam is the founder and creator of The Blind Life YouTube Channel, which, according to a recent article from the Foundation Fighting Blindness, "is currently the largest resource for assistive technology on the internet." With more than 56,000 subscribers and over 800 informative videos, Sam helps people world-wide living with vision loss, offering tips for managing daily tasks, reviewing assistive devices, and hosting informative interviews with key stakeholders in the visually impaired community. Sam is recognized as an expert when speaking and presenting at national conferences. Featured in USA TODAY, WIRED Magazine, and numerous national and international podcasts on assistive technology, he collaborates with tech giants like Google, SONY and Amazon, has created content for MacularDegeneration.net and participates on Microsoft's Window's Accessibility Advisory Board.

Sam currently manages the AT program at a nonprofit where he provides training on assistive devices ranging from low tech items like simple bump dots and magnifiers, to phone apps and assistive computer software.

Whether he's working one on one with clients or through his YouTube videos, Sam's goal is to help everyone live their BEST BLIND LIFE!

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