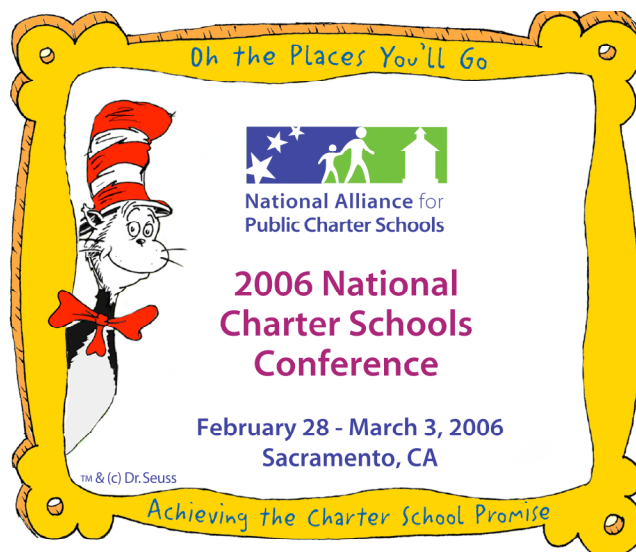


# 2006 NATIONAL CHARTER SCHOOLS CONFERENCE



## Don't be left out of THE Charter Schools Event of the Year!

Sign up NOW, at [www.charterconference.org](http://www.charterconference.org) before rates go up again for the 2006 National Charter Schools Conference, which will take place February 28 - March 3, 2006 at the Sacramento Convention Center in Sacramento, CA.

The National Alliance for Public Charter Schools is proud to host the 2006 National Charter Schools Conference in Sacramento, California in partnership with the 13th Annual California Charter Schools Conference, hosted by the California Charter Schools Association.

Don't miss the opportunity to hear from and network with charter school leaders, educators, administrators, business managers, business and community leaders, and policymakers from around the country - all in one place, at one time.

We are also excited to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2 - as a result, the theme of the conference is "Oh The Places You'll Go." Please check out the new conference Web site at [www.charterconference.org](http://www.charterconference.org).

### CONFERENCE PROGRAM DETAIL AND SPECIAL FEATURES

Once you are at the conference website at [www.charterconference.org](http://www.charterconference.org), click on the Conference Schedule and Program sign to get more detail about conference programming:

- Over 119 Breakout Session topics by strand these will be 75-minute sessions
- Over 60 Table Talk Discussion topics these will be 30-minute, more intimate discussions around tables with 12-14 people.

*The 2006 conference will also offer the following NEW features:*

- An exhibitor area with over 150 vendors offering critical products and services for charter schools
- 20 School Exhibit Booths showcasing best practices from around the country
- A special area devoted to Healthy Eating and Fitness programs for charter school students
- A Model Classroom exhibit that you can walk through and experience
- A Student Art Show and Auction that will run through the entire conference

## **GENERAL SESSIONS AND KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

We are still finalizing keynote speakers, but we have the following three confirmed:

### **Moctesuma Esparza, March 1, 2006 Keynote**

Founder of Los Angeles Academy of Arts and Enterprise Charter School. Award-winning filmmaker, producer, entertainment executive, and entrepreneur is well known for his contribution to the movie industry and his commitment to providing access and opportunities for Latinos in Hollywood.

### **Bill Nye the Science Guy, March 3, 2006 Keynote**

Bill Nye, scientist, engineer, comedian, author, and inventor, is a man with a mission: to help foster a scientifically literate society, to help people everywhere understand and appreciate the science that makes our world work. A graduate of Cornell University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering, Bill is perhaps most well known for his TV series Bill Nye the Science Guy, which ran on PBS and the Disney Channel.

### **Pastor Marvin L. Winans, March 3, 2006 Featured Performer**

Founder of the Marvin L. Winans Academy of Performing Arts Charter School in Detroit, MI. A member of the beloved gospel-singing family, Pastor Winans has amassed numerous awards over the years, including Grammy, Dove, and Stellar Awards.

## **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

Register TODAY at [www.charterconference.org](http://www.charterconference.org). Registration prices go UP after December 31, 2005, so don't wait – register today!

Registration Questions? Do you want to register a group of 3 or more attendees? Please contact Registration Services by Phone: 1-800-280-6218 or E-Mail [charterconf@continue.uoregon.edu](mailto:charterconf@continue.uoregon.edu)

## **HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Several of the conference hotels are already sold out - so make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. To make your hotel reservations online:

- Go to the conference web site at [www.charterconference.org](http://www.charterconference.org)
- Click on the Travel and Accommodations sign
- Select the Hotel Reservations option

*When You Should Plan to Arrive and Leave:*

You should plan to arrive by 4pm on February 28 and plan to leave after 3pm on March 3.

*Hotel Questions*

If you have ANY further questions regarding your hotel reservations, or want to make reservations for a group of three or more, please contact:

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## **MORE CONFERENCE QUESTIONS?**

Any further conference-specific questions, please don't hesitate to email [conference@charterassociation.org](mailto:conference@charterassociation.org) or call 213-244-1446 x.2201