



 2026  
WAVES CONFERENCE

MONDAY  
07.20.2026

# AGENDA - DAY 1

1:00 PM -  
5:00 PM

**REGISTRATION**

Beachwood/Runyon/Laurel

6:30 PM -  
8:00 PM

**WELCOME RECEPTION**

Pool Deck



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# AGENDA - DAY 2

7:00 AM -  
5:00 PM

**REGISTRATION  
(OPEN ALL DAY)**

Beachwood/Runyon/Laurel

7:00 AM -  
8:30 AM

**BREAKFAST REFRESHMENTS**

Ray Dolby Salon 4-6

8:30 AM -  
9:00 AM

**CONFERENCE OPENING & WELCOME**  
JASON GARCIA, WAVES PRESIDENT

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**HONOR GUARD**  
AMERICAN LEGION

**STAR-SPANGLED BANNER**  
JESSICA YOUNG, PROGRAM MANAGER,  
THE LOS ANGELES FILM SCHOOL

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
DARCY SCHNUTH, WAVES 1ST VICE  
PRESIDENT

**INTRODUCTIONS: WAVES BOARD, VA &  
SAA PRESENTERS**

9:00 AM -  
10:00 AM

**NASAA UPDATE AND INTRODUCTIONS**  
REBECCA RYAN, NASAA PRESIDENT

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

10:00 AM -  
10:30 AM

**BREAK & RESOURCE FAIR**

Mezzanine Level

10:30 AM -  
12:00 PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**NEW SCO TRAINING\***  
TBD

Studio A-B

**ADVANCED SCO TRAINING\***  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR NCDS\***  
TBD

Studio C



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TUESDAY  
07.21.2026

# DAY 2 (CONT.)

12:00 PM –  
1:30 PM

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

1:30 PM –  
2:30 PM

**GENERAL SESSION TBD**  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

2:30 PM –  
3:30 PM

**GENERAL SESSION TBD**  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

3:30 PM –  
4:00 PM

**REFRESHMENT BREAK**

Mezzanine Level

4:00 PM –  
5:00 PM

**STATE BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**CALIFORNIA**  
CSAAVE

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**BREAKOUT SESSION 2**  
TBD

Studio A-B

**BREAKOUT SESSION 3**  
TBD

Studio C

6:30 PM –  
10:00 PM

**TEAMBUILDING ACTIVITY:  
90'S DANCE PARTY**

Ray Dolby Salon 4-6



# AGENDA - DAY 3

7:00 AM -  
12:00 PM

**REGISTRATION**

Beachwood/Runyon/Laurel

7:00 AM -  
8:30 AM

**BREAKFAST REFRESHMENTS**

Ray Dolby Salon 4-6

8:30 AM -  
9:30 AM

**STUDENT VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
CORY BOATWRIGHT, SVA NATIONAL  
PRESIDENT

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

9:30 AM -  
10:30 AM

**VA CENTRAL OFFICE/FEDERAL UPDATES**  
KENNETH SMITH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
EDUCATION SERVICE

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

10:30 AM -  
11:00 AM

**BREAK & RESOURCE FAIR**

Mezzanine Level

11:00 AM -  
12:00 PM

**ARMY NATIONAL GUARD**  
DONALD SUTTON, ARNG-HRH-C

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

12:00 PM -  
1:30 PM

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

1:30 PM -  
3:00 PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**ENROLLMENT MANAGER\***  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**FLIGHT\***  
TBD

Studio A-B

**YELLOW RIBBON\***  
TBD

Studio C



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WEDNESDAY  
07.22.2026

# DAY 3 (CONT.)

3:00 PM –  
3:30 PM

**REFRESHMENT BREAK  
& RESOURCE FAIR**

Mezzanine Level

3:30 PM –  
5:00 PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**BREAKOUT SESSION 1**  
TBD

Studio A-B

**BREAKOUT SESSION 2**  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**BREAKOUT SESSION 3**  
TBD

Studio C

6:30 PM –  
8:30 PM

**SCO BANQUET & AWARDS CEREMONY  
MASQUERADE BALL**

Ray Dolby Salon 3-6

JASON T. GARCIA, WAVES PRESIDENT

*\*COCKTAIL ATTIRE RECOMMENDED & MASKS WILL BE  
PROVIDED*





# AGENDA - DAY 4

7:00 AM -  
8:00 AM

**BREAKFAST REFRESHMENTS**

Ray Dolby Salon 4-6

8:00 AM -  
8:30 AM

**WAVES BUSINESS MEETING (GENERAL SESSION)**

JASON T. GARCIA, WAVES PRESIDENT

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

8:30 AM -  
10:00 AM

**VETERAN READINESS AND EMPLOYMENT (VR&E)**

CHANTILE STOVALL, ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF VR&E

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

10:00 AM -  
10:30 AM

**BREAK**

Mezzanine Level

10:30 AM -  
12:00 PM

**DEBT MANAGEMENT CENTER\***

JULIE LAWRENCE, CHIEF OF OPERATIONS

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

12:00 PM -  
1:00 PM

**LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**

1:30 PM -  
3:00 PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**85/15\***  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**COMPLIANCE SURVEY\***  
TBD

Studio A-B

**WORK STUDY PROGRAM\***  
TBD

Studio C



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THURSDAY  
07.23.2026

# DAY 4 (CONT.)

3:00 PM –  
3:30 PM

**REFRESHMENT BREAK**

Mezzanine Level

3:30 PM –  
5:00 PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS (SELECT ONE TO ATTEND)**

**BREAKOUT SESSION 1**  
TBD

Studio A-B

**BREAKOUT SESSION 2**  
TBD

Ray Dolby Salon 1-3

**BREAKOUT SESSION 3**  
TBD

Studio C

**\*SESSIONS COUNT TOWARD THE VA'S SCO ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIREMENT AND WILL BE AVAILABLE TO CERTIFY VIA THE SCO TRAINING PORTAL POST-CONFERENCE.**

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