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#### SPARS will Provide Free Mentoring Sessions with Audio Superstars

-2016 AES Convention/SPARS program targeted to those motivated to take their education and experience to the next level-

*Los Angeles, CA October 1, 2016*– The Society of Professional Audio Recording Services (SPARS) will be holding free mentoring session at this year's AES Convention at the Los Angeles Convention Center. Industry professionals from a variety of audio disciplines including studio production, mastering, live sound, gaming and post production will meet with attendees in "speed mentoring" group sessions to answer questions and share their experiences.

Volunteer mentors will donate their time and expertise to help the next generation of audio professionals. "It's inspiring to see the participants' level of engagement" says SPARS President Drew Waters. This year's mentors include Grammy award-winning recording engineers Leslie Ann Jones, Niko Bolas, Ross Hogarth and Jeri Palumbo. Waters continues, "SPARS is committed to continually providing these networking and mentoring opportunities. Their importance is invaluable for this generation of audio professionals".

The room is expected to be filled with over 100 participants. Mentee Sam Elia wrote "I look forward to your help at the upcoming AES convention. The all access pass is invaluable and the introductions to people will help me do well at the convention!"

For a full list of mentors, membership information and a calendar of upcoming events visit www.spars.com.

#### **About SPARS:**

Founded in 1979, SPARS is a non-profit association representing professionals in the recording industry. SPARS is a collective network of professionals whose mission is to educate and mentor audio engineering students, graduates, young professionals and recording enthusiasts. For additional information visit <u>http://www.spars.com/</u>.

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### Photo #1



SPARS Speed Mentoring Group at AES Convention (Photo by Sherri Tantleff)

## Photo #2



2016 SPARS Mentors (Photo by Samuel Elia)

# Photo #3



Engineer/Producer Dave Rideau mentors students at SPARS Booth (Photo by Sherri Tantleff)