

A professional portrait of a man with a beard and short dark hair, wearing a dark blue suit, white shirt, and a red tie with blue and white diagonal stripes. He is looking off to the side with a slight smile. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light blue.

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TONY
HERNANDEZ
PUMAREJO

Biography

Tony Hernandez Pumarejo is an autistic self-advocate, motivational and professional speaker, author, writer, life coach, consultant, tv personality and international ambassador for Autism. Also, Tony is Autism Response Team and Communication specialist with Autism Speaks

Born and raised in Bayamon, Puerto Rico and currently residing in Orlando, Florida, Tony was diagnosed with autism at age 3. As part of being on the autism spectrum, Tony faced different challenges, such as: being nonverbal until age 4, being in special education and delayed at school for a year, social communication, severe anxiety, repetitive behavior, depression, among others. Also, Tony struggled with bullying in school and rejection, struggle with changes in my life and struggles in employment.

However, Tony has been able to overcome these challenges through not only formal therapies like speech, behavior and occupational, but more, my true therapy was the school of hard knocks: overcoming negative situations in life and learning from them. I have been able so far to achieve important goals in my life, such as: graduating from Seminole State College with a bachelor's degree in business and information Management (with 3.7 Magna Cum Laude honors) and releasing my memoir "An Autism Unscripted Life" in 2018, , which was translated into Spanish in 2019 as "Una Vida Autista Sin Libreto." and becoming a motivational and professional speaker.


Tony has appeared regularly on Univision, Telemundo and Mega TV. Also, Tony has his own podcasts called My Time with Tony Hernandez Pumarejo and Hablemos Autismo.



Demo Reel



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Presentations

Speaker honorarium: please give us an estimate of what your budget may look like to hire a speaker. Travel and lodging expenses must be considered in any proposal

AUTISM: FROM ONE AUTISTIC PERSPECTIVE

In this presentation, I will talk about my life story as an autistic person from childhood to today. I be discussing about the challenges and struggles that I went through growing up such as bullying, social rejection, anxiety, depression, and I worked with those challenges through the different life stages. I will also talk about the things that helped me to survive life as a person with Autism and will then focus on talking about how he was able accomplish key life goals as an adult such as college graduation, full time employment as manager, book author, public speaker and tv collaborator. Then, we will go over the principles that I lived by as an autistic self-advocate in my work for the community for almost 10 years which is called Autism Purpose, which are the key towards helping each autistic human being and their families in achieving a better quality of life.

BREAKING BARRIERS: SURVIVING AS AN AUTISTIC IN NEUROTIPICAL WORKPLACE.

Tony talks about his experiences in the workplace and how he overcame the challenges of working in a fast paced and socially driven working environment.

Will focus on the following key points on this presentation:

- Be open minded and talk about autistic people exceeding and working in any industry, not on specific roles based on limitations and stereotypes.
- Go beyond simply asking for accommodations and help each autistic person advocate for opportunities to grow and have a great career, beyond simply getting a job.
- Create an environment in our society which we focus on giving people on the spectrum the tools and resources to achieve their true potential in life.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT: THE KEY TOWARDS BEING ABLE TO ACHIEVE INDEPENDENCE IN ADULTHOOD.

Tony will talk about the struggles that he went through as a person with ASD as he got into adulthood. Also, he will talk about how he was able to overcome those challenges and gain independence as an adult with Autism. We will focus on these key points:

- The importance of not putting limitations in terms of what a person with ASD can accomplish. For example, it is important to help the child and adult with Autism to improve their soft skills to the best of their ability, which will help them function as independent as possible in adulthood.
- Focus and work closely with the key abilities of the person with ASD, that can help them achieve a independent and better quality life.
- Create a stronger Autism community that will help in the creation of more programs and services that will help children and adults with Autism in becoming more life independent in adulthood, regardless of the challenges that they face.

REJECTION AND BULLYING: THE IMPORTANCE AND MORE INCLUSIVE WORLD FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

In this presentation, autistic self advocate and motivational speaker Tony talk about the challenges and struggles that he went through with bullying. Tony will be talking in detail about the struggles that he went through and will focus on solutions that schools can implement towards creating a more inclusive environment in the classroom.

NEURODIVERSE SUCCESS IN COLLEGE

In this presentation, autistic self advocate and motivational speaker Tony will talk about his experience in college. Tony will speak about the challenges that he went through in his college life and how he was able to overcome those challenges. Also, we focus about the different ways in which we can help neurodivergent students in achieving their true potential in college.

A faint, grayscale background image of a man, Tony Hernandez, wearing a suit and tie, standing with his hands clasped in front of him. The image is semi-transparent and serves as a backdrop for the text.

AUTISMO EN EL MUNDO HISPANO with TONY HERNANDEZ

In this presentation, autistic self advocate Tony Hernandez Pumarejo will talk about the challenges in the Hispanic community in regards to Autism and what can be done to help families impacted by Autism in the Hispanic community.

DRIVING WITH AUTISM:

In this presentation, Tony talks about the challenges that he went through in regards to learning to drive a car and how it has helped him in having driving as part of his daily tasks.

NEURODIVERSITY IN FAITH BASED COMMUNITIES:

In this presentation, Tony will speak about the challenges that faith based communities face in terms of having a more welcoming environment for special needs families. The objective is to find ways towards creating effective programs to integrate special needs families within their faith-based communities.

AUTISM LAW ENFORCEMENT:

In this presentation, Tony will speak about the challenges that law enforcement face in working and handling interactions with autistic citizens.

TRAVEL WITH AUTISM:

In this presentation, Tony talks about his travel experiences so far and how he was able to learn the habit of traveling alone to different destinations

Services



Life Coaching Sections:

Work with individuals with a focus on Mental Health. The coaching sections are between 30 minutes to 45 minutes

Autism and neurodiversity coaching sections:

I work with families with children that are autistic and neurodivergent and also adults that are autistic and neurodivergent. The coaching sections are between 30 minutes and 45 minutes.

Non Profit Consultations:

Work with non profit organizations in regards to strategies to improve fundraising and other initiatives to exceed organizational goals

Employment Consultations:

Work with employers in regards to strategies to create and expand initiatives to help autistic and neurodivergent individuals in the workplace.

Podcast



Book

AN AUTISM UNSCRIPTED LIFE



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UNA VIDA AUTISTA SIN LIBRETO



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Thank you for reading my media kit. I'm looking forward towards collaborating with you.

If you have any questions , I am here for you.

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***Curriculum Vitae y list of references available per request.**