

It's that time of year again when we gear up to host the 2019 Healthy Hearing Expo at the Victoria Conference Center. This year we have representatives from the big six hearing aid manufacturers who will have exhibit booths set up to answer your hearing aid related questions. We have a great line-up of speakers covering a range of topics so feel free to come for one or stay all day.

Because our clinics are independently owned, we have this unique opportunity to offer a day of educational seminars so you can research hearing aids on your own. Hope to see you there.

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10th Annual Healthy Hearing Expo

Tuesday, April 9
9am-3pm

Victoria Conference Centre, 720 Douglas Street

Scheduled Presentations:

10:30 "Why Can't I Hear in Background Noise?"



Alison Love, Audiologist

Learn why this listening situation is challenging for many people and the ways modern hearing aids address this through research and technology.

11:30 "The Importance of Programming in Hearing Aids"



Lewis Smith, Audiologist

Hearing aids are only as good as the person who programs them. Learn how programming is an important part of how hearing aids work, as well as a few of the programming options available.

12:30 "Understanding Tinnitus"



Steven Pugsley, Audiologist

Learn about the latest research in tinnitus and tinnitus management.

2:00 "What's new for Hearing Aid Technology in 2019"



Dr. Erin Wright, Au.D, Audiologist

Erin's annual run down of hearing aid manufacturers' latest offerings and the future of hearing aid technology.

What's a Hearable?

'Hearable' is a new term for hearing aids that also collect health data. For example, some new hearing aids can collect data about heart rate, the number of steps you take and even will engage you in brain-health games.

Starkey's new hearing aid, the Livio Ai hearable, has some of these features. Representatives from Starkey will have the new Livio Ai at our Healthy Hearing Expo.

Introducing Martine Schlagentweit, Audiologist



Martine Schlagentweit completed a Bachelors of Science degree in Linguistics from UVIC. She then earned a Masters in Audiology at the University of British Columbia. For her research tenure in the Middle Ear Laboratory at UBC, Martine received a Canadian Academy of Audiology Student Award. Martine is truly passionate about collaborating with her clients to achieve their best hearing health, using contemporary

hearing care technology and communication strategies. In her spare time, Martine can be found taking in nature; skiing, hiking and kitesurfing. Martine will be seeing many of Lia's clients while Lia is away on maternity leave.

Congratulations Lia!



We are thrilled to announce the arrival of Lia and Kevin's baby girl born December 12. Born at 8lbs 2oz both mom and baby Aria are doing well.

FAQ

Question: Why can I hear the table behind me in a restaurant but not the people at my table?

Answer: Because there is a difference between hearing and comprehension. You can likely hear both the people at the table behind you and at your table, but it requires the additional complex task of understanding to comprehend the speech at your table. Comprehending conversation in a restaurant requires the brain to fill in many of the gaps of sound that are being masked by the noise. This additional auditory processing task adds a level of complexity making it a challenging environment for many people.

New Oticon OpnS

Oticon is launching a new rechargeable option to their popular 'Opn' hearing aid platform. The 'OpnS' utilizes a stable lithium ion battery and comes with an easy to use charger. The new hearing aid is available to order in the beginning of April. See it yourself at the Healthy Hearing Expo.



New Phonak Phone App

Users of iPhone connected hearing aids have a new app available to use. This app will utilize your phone to provide real time captioning of your phone calls while the audio streams through your hearing aids. Download myCall-to-text for more information.

