

TB | Tate Barkley

Our speaker today has been publicly speaking for nearly 40 years. He honed his storytelling and motivational skills while on a scholarship as an undergraduate at the University of Texas where he traveled all over the state of Texas speaking to a wide variety of organizations. Tate has practiced law for over 30 years, raising motivational speaking in front of judges and juries to an artform. He also served as Adjunct Professor of Communication Ethics at the University of Houston for 20 years and during that time published his first book to teach his students an ethical methodology for making decisions.

After publishing his second book, a memoir about his troubled relationship with his father, his family legacy of alcoholism, and his efforts to get sober and live more authentically, Tate began traveling the country speaking to for profit and nonprofit organizations about the impact of shame on innovation. His mission is to help people restore their innate resilience so that they feel more confident, more creative, and are able to communicate more clearly in both business and personal situations.

When he's not speaking, Tate is active in his law practice and serves as President of the Board of Avenue CDC, a charitable organization that provides housing and other critical resources to families in need. He lives in Houston, Texas with his husband, Anson, and their dog Emerson.

Please welcome Tate Barkley!