

# Save the Date

## 2015 VASDDC Conference

(Virginia Speech, Debate, Drama Coaches)

September 25 and 26

Ft. Magruder Hotel and Conference Center  
Williamsburg, VA. 23188

to register for the conference and get more information,  
go to VASDDC website :

<https://sites.google.com/site/vasddc/home>

### key note speaker

**James Yost** is the co-artistic director of Interrobang Theatre Project, a professional theatre company in Chicago, Illinois. Previously he served as the artistic director for BareBones Theatre Group (Charlotte, NC) which he co-founded in 1998. In 2010 he developed a theatre for youth program in cooperation with the Blumenthal Performing Arts Center called THE CHAOS ENSEMBLE, where he served as artistic director for four years. He currently teaches theater at Loyola Academy in Chicago Illinois.



James Yost

### Saturday luncheon speaker

**Nate Greene** is the James City County Commonwealth Attorney and has worked extensively with with the Mock Trial Program in high schools and colleges

### some workshop speakers

**Melissa Atkinson**, informs us about creating a new forensics and debate league, **Kimberlee Brittingham** illustrates how to run a forensics meet and tab room, **Matthew Veland** teaches debate coaches how to put a winning policy team together, **Aaron Pratt** focuses on building a public forum debate team, **Todd Kessler** talks to debate coaches about developing a strong Congress team, **John and Stacey Fregosi** talk on writing and staging an original one act to bring to competition, **Jeff Clevenger** speaks on finding and preparing winning cuttings for forensics team members, **Tina Tapp** talks on how to recruit, build and keep a forensics team competitive, **Duane Hyland** speaks on developing Lincoln Douglas debaters who win debates, **Chad Johnson** talks on creating a successful improv group, **Greg Donner** discusses preparing to judge for VHSL theater competitions

**Lisa Giles will be at the conference to present  
the required VHSL rules clinics in all  
areas- speech, debate and drama.**