

# Texas Irlen Association

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## NEWSLETTER CHANGES

This edition of the Texas Irlen Association Newsletter marks our start into a new adventure. This is the first electronic only edition of the newsletter. So much is happening in the Irlen world that a once a year newsletter is out of date almost as soon as it is printed. Also, it has become prohibitively expensive to mail out the newsletter. We want to be able to get information to you in a timely manner, so we have instituted the following:

1. A newsletter that can be downloaded from our website at [www.irlentexas.com](http://www.irlentexas.com)
2. A blog written weekly by Dr. Johnson that will address specific topics that are of interest to Irlen Screeners as well as up to date information.
3. Email notification that will be sent to you with special announcements.

Hopefully, you will find these formats more helpful in staying abreast of the rapid growth of the Irlen method.

## TIA 14th Annual Meeting

**Dallas, TX, January 29-31, 2010**

The 14th Annual meeting is scheduled for January 29-31, 2010 in Dallas at the Embassy Suites at Love Field, 3880 West Northwest Hwy, Dallas, TX 75220, 214-357-4500. There is a free shuttle from the airport to the hotel. There will be registration and reception on Friday evening, January 29th, a full day meeting on Saturday, January 30th, and a half day meeting on Sunday, January 31st.

We plan on having a speaker from the Texas Education Agency to update us on the latest from TEA and on the new buzz word "RTI" of Response Therapy Intervention and how screening for Irlen is a critical piece of this process. Further exploration on the Cross Battery Assessment will be available as well as information on the new Texas licensing law for Licensed Dyslexic Therapists and Licensed Dyslexia practitioners and what this means for you. We are open to adding more topics. Please let us know if you have subjects you'd like covered or speakers you recommend.



Snapshots from 2009 TIA Meeting in Austin, TX



## IMPORTANT CLINIC NOTICE



The Ardmore, Oklahoma and Lubbock, Texas Irlen Clinics have been decertified by the Irlen Institute and are no longer allowed to provide any Irlen related services. This includes Irlen Screening, Irlen Screener Training, Diagnostic Testing for Irlen Lenses or

Rechecks for Irlen Lenses.

If you know of someone who needs Irlen related services, please contact the Texas Irlen Association at 281/428-7039 or [info@irlentexas.com](mailto:info@irlentexas.com) and we will help the client. We have access to

all prior client records through the Irlen Institute. The clinics listed below are authorized to provide Irlen Services.

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## 2010 Training Dates

### Patricia J. Johnson, Ph.D.

**Baytown, TX:** January 21-22, 2010, June 10-11, July 8-9, October 28-29, and January 24-25, 2011

**Dallas, TX:** January 28-29, 2010, June 17-18, September 23-24, and January 27-28, 2011

Please contact Dr. Johnson's office at the above address for registration application and detailed information.

### Dr. Carol Zuccone

**Houston, TX:** Jan 22-23, 2010, March 5-6, July 29-30th, and October 1-2, 2010

**Austin, TX:** February 4-5, 2010, June 2010 (Date to be arranged), and September 23-24, 2010

Please contact Dr. Zuccone's office at the above address for further information.

## Irlen Clinics Around the World...

Did you know that there are a total of 127 Irlen Testing Centers around the world? These centers include Australia (20), Austria (1), Bahrain (1), Belgium(1), Brazil (1), Canada (6), Germany (3), Guatemala (1), Hong Kong (1), Ireland (1), Israel (1), Japan (1), Jordan (2), Korea (7), Malaysia (1), Mexico(1), New Zealand (8), Singapore (1), South Africa (2), Spain (1), Switzerland (1), the United Kingdom (14), and The United States (38)!



We are pleased to announce the following two new Irlen centers: The Ahliyyah School for Girls in Amman Jordan and the Irlen Centre Glyndwr University in Wales (UK).



## TIA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORMS

are available for download from our website:  
[www.irlentexas.com](http://www.irlentexas.com)

You can find the link on the bottom right hand side of our home page under Texas Irlen Association.

## Screeener Award

Texas Irlen Association has established an annual Screeener Recognition Award to recognize Screeener(s) who have made a significant contribution to advance public awareness of Irlen Syndrome. Screeeners work tirelessly to diagnose, treat, and promote Irlen. Unfortunately, many of us do not know what they are doing and therefore, many of

these wonderful people go unrecognized and their achievements are overlooked. Years ago, TIA instituted a process which we hope will overcome this shortcoming by establishing the TIA Outstanding Screeener Award to be given annually at the TIA Meeting. Nominations may come from another screeener, Irlen Diagnostician, school district personnel, parent, or potential re

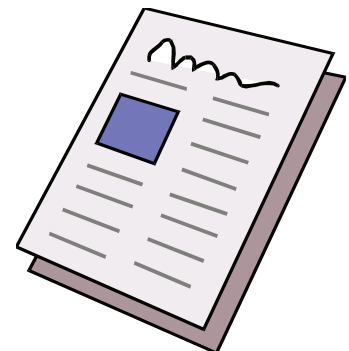
ipient (who knows better what you have done than you?).

Send the following information to Pat Johnson: Name, address, and phone number of the Nominee. Reason why you think this person should be recognized (including specific accomplishments), your name and contact information.

## Texas Irlen Association Newsletter Online

The Texas Irlen Association Newsletter is finally available online. After several stars and miscues, we have finally gotten our act together. Because of the expense of producing a paper newsletter, we have only been able to produce 1 each year, which doesn't allow us to update you as often as we would like. With the new format, the online newsletter will be updated more frequently.

To read the newsletter online, go to [www.irlentexas.com](http://www.irlentexas.com), go to the TIA page and click on newsletter. This is a PDF file that can be downloaded. Please feel free to make copies to share with parents, friends, other teachers, etc.



## The "Store"

There will be opportunities to view the new 10th edition screening manual, as well as opportunities to purchase IRPS forms, overlays, brochures, as well as Helen Irlen's book, *Reading by the Colors*.



## Recertification

Remember! Your initial screeener certification is good for a period of 5 years. To remain current, you must obtain 8 points in five years. You can obtain these points as follows:

National Irlen Meeting = 8 points, International Irlen Meeting = 8 points, Texas Irlen Association Meeting = 4 points; Cluster meeting = 1 or 2 points. You can also attend a two day screeener training for \$25.00 and be recertified.



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