17 Images That Capture the Spirit of AIDS Activism Right Now

Check out these Instagram posts—including music and movies—from this year's United States Conference on AIDS.

September 19, 2016

The 20th annual United States Conference on AIDS (USCA) took place September 15 through 18 at Hollywood, Florida. Sponsored by the National Minority Council on AIDS (NMAC), the conference offered panel discussions, round table discussions, research presentations, networking opportunities and a heck of a lot more.

If you couldn't attend, don't fret. Thanks to social media posts from those who did make it, we're all able to partake in the conference's community-building and educational offerings.

Below is a collection of Instagram posts from this year's event. Search the hashtag #2016USCA to find many, many more.

We just got to #2016USCA! We are excited to be here and can’t wait to bring you updates, live interviews and glances from our experience! Stay tune for more.

A photo posted by AIDS.gov (@aidsgov) on Sep 15, 2016 at 6:24am PDT

Dr. David Ho speaks at the 2016 USCA breakfast plenary #2016usca #hivresearch

A photo posted by POZ (@pozmagazine) on Sep 15, 2016 at 7:38am PDT

Just wrapped up a press conference for the launch of the Ending The Epidemic Coalition with #NASTAD Board Chair DeAnn Gruber. #2016USCA #NMAC #HIVAIDS #actnow #endaids #lovewins

A photo posted by NASTAD (@nastad1992) on Sep 15, 2016 at 8:49am PDT

Jennifer Holliday just letting me have it #USCA2016 #2016USCA

A video posted by Carlos M. (@xbrownxclown) on Sep 16, 2016 at 11:16am PDT

Yes, this happened. #2016USCA #repost via @blackaids □□□ Who else loved these speakers at yesterday's #2016USCA lunch plenary? Thank you @kenlikebarbie, Dr. Robert Elion, @mharrisperry @todrick, and #blackaids President and CEO, Phill Wilson for your motivating words. #hivawareness #blacklivesmatter #blackgirlsrock #blackboyjoy #bts #behindthescenes

A photo posted by NASTAD (@nastad1992) on Sep 17, 2016 at 3:15pm PDT

#yi2016takeover is in full force. growing and learning with each other. #2016usca #nmac #ActAgainstAIDS

A photo posted by CDC HIV/AIDS (@actagainstaids) on Sep 15, 2016 at 12:48pm PDT

NMAC’s Paul Kawata on stage at the Gilead luncheon plenary at USCA @n.m.a.c #2016usca

A photo posted by POZ (@pozmagazine) on Sep 16, 2016 at 10:04am PDT

Tree hugger! Mondo Guerra and one of his POZITIVITREES at USCA. These yarn-bombed palm trees represent his journey with HIV and signify the courage and strength of living with the virus. @mondoguerra

#projectidesign #2016USCA #yarnbombing

A photo posted by POZ (@pozmagazine) on Sep 16, 2016 at 6:16pm PDT

@kenlikebarbie speaks out against the institution of stigma at the today’s plenary luncheon. #2016USCA

#BeABridge #SelfCare #hivaidsawareness

A photo posted by NASTAD (@nastad1992) on Sep 16, 2016 at 10:36am PDT

When the day’s work is done... #selfie time. #yi2016takeover #NMAC #ActAgainstAIDS #2016usca

A photo posted by CDC HIV/AIDS (@actagainstaids) on Sep 15, 2016 at 4:04pm PDT

Today is all about HIV in the Caribbean. Shout out to #PuertoRico! #2016USCA

A photo posted by Ulysses III (@ubthecure) on Sep 17, 2016 at 9:07am PDT

Great to see so many amazing advocates at USCA! Thanks to all of the champions who empower the HIV community! #2016USCA

A video posted by POZ (@pozmagazine) on Sep 18, 2016 at 9:24pm PDT

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