

Newly Released: *Our Chosen Path: The Transformative Impact of Cued Language*

The National Cued Speech Association is pleased to announce a groundbreaking new publication that highlights the powerful influence of cued language on the lives of deaf and hard of hearing (DHH) individuals. *Our Chosen Path: The Transformative Impact of Cued Language*, contains almost 80 compelling personal stories and professional articles from 66 authors. This collection offers insights into the myriad ways cued language is used in families, schools, and communities, with numerous stories from deaf native cuers. Each story, from early childhood experiences to professional applications, underscores how vital clear language access is to achieving literacy as well as personal and academic potential.

“The anecdotes shared in this book illustrate the recurring theme of how cued language facilitates deaf literacy, which is also supported by decades of research. This book clearly illustrates that cued language can build a strong foundation in language that every child—regardless of hearing ability—needs to succeed,” Brad Buran, PhD, Deaf Native Cuer, Auditory Scientist, Oregon Health and Science University.

“As a long-standing advocate for cued language, my first impression of this book was “the proof is in the pudding.” This collection of first-hand, personal essays by native cuers, parents, other family members, and professionals will be of interest to parents of DHH children, especially those who are new-to-deafness who have questions about how to be the most effective model of their home language for their DHH child during the critical language learning years (1-3 years),” Carol LaSasso, PhD, retired Professor, Department of Speech and Language Sciences, Gallaudet University.

Reading *Our Chosen Path* will leave readers wanting to learn more—whether by connecting with deaf cuers, parents, and professionals, or by exploring the growing body of scientific research on how the Cued Speech system and cued language support language and literacy development.

Our Chosen Path: The Transformative Impact of Cued Language, edited by Kitri Larson Kyлло (Lead Editor), Amy Ruberl (Managing Editor), Nicole Dugan, Suhad Keblawi, and Sarina Roffé, and published by Gatekeeper Press, is now available for online purchase from major online book retailers in hardcover, paperback, and e-book formats. It is also available from Cue College in partnership with the NCSA.

About the National Cued Speech Association and Cued Language

The mission of the National Cued Speech Association (NCSA), through its Deaf Children’s Literacy Project, is to champion effective communication, language development, and literacy through the use of cued languages, including Cued American English. Cued American English is a complete visual language with consonant handshapes, vowel placements, mouth movements of English, and prosody. It is one of over 60 cued languages worldwide. For more information about the NCSA and Cued American English, visit <https://cuedspeech.org>.