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#### The 2016 IASWG SPARC Forum on Project

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# **SPARC Program Overview**

### The IASWG SPARC Program

- Purpose
- History
- Endorsement & Funding Opportunities
- Application Process
- Review Process
- Terms of Agreement

#### **Types of SPARC Projects**

- Education and Training Projects
- Practice Innovations & Interventions
- Research Studies

## **Reports From Awardees**

#### The Cameron Think and Do Tank (2015) The in Search of Me Campaign -Community Program for Young Men of Color (2013) Zaneta Smith

- SPARC Awardee November 2013 & June 2015
- Project Overview and Current Status
- Decision to Apply and SPARC Impact
- Advice to Applicants

## Social Group Work Dissertations from 1970-2012

Shirley Simon and Teresa Kilbane

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Factors Contributing to Group Workers' Commitment and Attitudes Toward Group Work Practice Sari Skolnik

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## Fifth House Ensemble Residency Programs with Teen Living Programs Brian L. Kelly

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#### Advice to Applicants from IASWG SPARC Awardees

- Encourage collaboration between academicbased colleagues, community-based practitioners and social work students
- Find partners to work as a team
- Additional funds may be needed
- Budget for time commitment
- Contribute to social group work literature
- Develop your idea and...apply to SPARC!

#### Presenters at the June 2016 IASWG SPARC Workshop, NYC, US

Barb Muskat, Carol Cohen, Shirley Simon, Sari Skolnik, Terry Kilbane, Brian Kelly, Marcia Cohen, Zaneta Smith, Lorrie Greenhouse Gardella



# Thanks for being part of this Session

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