



Engage your team with WIT@Work



IN ORDER FOR YOUR COMPANY OR ORGANIZATION TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE, INNOVATIVE, AND SUCCESSFUL, YOU MUST BE READY TO PIVOT, IMPROVISE, AND EMBRACE CHANGE.

WIT@Work will make sure you're prepared. We offer team building and professional training services for businesses, government agencies, nonprofits, NGOs, and other entities in DC and beyond via in-person or online training sessions that can be fully customized to suit your needs.

Clients love our applied improv approach, which takes the tools and principles that improvisers use onstage to communicate, collaborate, and make you laugh, and applies them in the workplace. For example, how to adopt a "Yes, And!" mindset during negotiations or how to "listen down to the last word" in meetings. We'll teach you a range of surprisingly simple techniques that will transform how you engage with colleagues, constituents, or customers. And we'll have fun while we're at it!

Which service is right for you?

Team Building and Effectiveness

Are you looking for a team building event designed to foster trust, connection, and collaboration among staff members in a way that's also joyful and effective? Then this budget and schedule-friendly option is for you!

All-Hands Retreats and Large Events

Are you organizing a corporate retreat or large conference and looking to use this valuable time to strengthen working relationships across your organization? Then this service, which can be tailored to echo and amplify your event's broader theme(s), is for you! Importantly, everyone will walk away having acquired new skills they can put into practice right away.

Leadership Development and Critical Communication Skills

Do you seek a more engaging and effective approach to learning and development? Does your senior leadership program (SLP) cover the essential competencies that leaders need in order to drive results and manage effectively? Then this service, which includes skill development in the areas of communication (presentations, storytelling, client relations, and advocacy), negotiation, facilitation, and collaboration, as well as boosting creativity and innovation, is for you!

Frequently Asked Questions

? **Is this going to be high-pressure?**

We promise this will be fun and easy! Our workshops DO create a lot of laughter, but not at anyone's expense. You'll get to know your team a little bit better as people, which will only help you work together with more understanding.

? **How does this work in-person? Online?**

Typically, we host in-person workshops at the client's site (we can sometimes host at our theater for an additional fee). We typically host our online workshops on Zoom. We're also happy to adapt our training to the video conferencing platform of your choice.

? **Hmmm... we have a lot of introverts in our group.**

We hear this all the time! Both extroverts and introverts love WIT@Work's team building sessions. No one is ever put "on stage" or on the spot.

“That was AWESOME! Thank you so very much for making us have the most fun board gathering of all time at Compass – at least in my eight years! I was laughing so hard I was crying. I learned so much. Everyone loved it. Such a great thing.”

Hallie Smith, Executive Director of
Compass Greater Washington

What's the next step?

We're eager to work with your team! To get the conversation started, you can fill out an inquiry on our **? website (witdc.org/work) or reach out directly to WIT@Work Director John Windmueller at work@witdc.org or call (202) 810-5911.**

Yes! We do private performances

Take a break to laugh and bond over comedy that's made up on the spot, just for your team. Performances can have significant audience involvement (think *Whose Line is it Anyway?*) or just sit back and enjoy a fully improvised performance by some of DC's most experienced comedic improvisers.

Typically shows are 45 minutes in length and can be hosted at your site, at our theater, or online. Cost varies by audience size, venue, and the number of performers.

Happy Clients

Our clients come from different sectors and range from small nonprofits to large corporations. Here are just some of the organizations we've worked with.

Government



Non-Profit



Private sector



Praise for WIT@Work

"I've already had a leader ask if we can bring you back in the future, multiple people messaged me to say they loved the session."

—Mandy Dorn, MedStar Institute for Innovation



Fun and useful for everyone... even those who were a bit apprehensive

**Alyssa Schwenk
Bellwether Education Partners**

"Everyone really enjoyed themselves, even (and perhaps especially) those who were a little "wait and see" at the beginning. Since the training I've heard at least three references to specific activities and tips from the training on team calls, and multiple 'yes, and how might we' in conversations!"



Useful skills at an affordable price point

**Susan Paley
National Association of Corporate Directors**

"You absolutely have a winning way about you and a combination of fun plus useful content plus valuable take-aways. I'd hire you again in a heartbeat."



A Superlative Training

**William Taylor
Human Resources Research Organization**

"Without exaggeration, I can honestly say that your training was one of the most valuable I've ever been to. Since your training, I have talked about it with colleagues, talked about it with friends outside of work, and taught many of the games to my family."



Improve communication skills for staff and board members

**Sandra Jackson
House of Ruth**

"Washington Improv Theater came to House of Ruth and provided training for our board and staff -- and I cannot rate them highly enough! They helped us with our communication skills, refreshed us on what it means to be good listeners, and entertained us all. I and my board and staff are thankful for Washington Improv Theater."



The skills you learn relate back to your everyday work

**Participant feedback
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"I enjoyed the exercises, but enjoyed even more how [John Windmueller] related the activities back to our daily work and general guidelines on communication best practices. He's smart, funny, and has just the right amount of quirk for my liking!"



Virtual sessions are just as engaging as in-person

**Kerianne Buchanan
National Institute of Science and Technology**

"I don't think I've seen that many cameras on and smiles in a virtual meeting in a long time! I know you gave me personally a lot to think about and apply to my work, as well."