



Launch Tennessee Continues to Build Out All-Star Lineup for 36|86

Nashville, Tenn., March 24, 2016 - Launch Tennessee (LaunchTN) announces the addition of **Cat Clifford** (Entrepreneur.com), **David Windley** (IQ Talent Partners), **Geri Stengel** (Ventureneer & Forbes Contributor), **Dr. Denise Gosnell** (PokitDok), and **Yao Huang** (The Hatchery). **Matt Ruby**, Founder of video startup company Vooza, is also confirmed to serve as this year's master of ceremonies.

These 36|86 participants join Square Co-Founder Jim McKelvey, Google Ventures' Tyson Clark, super angel investor Joanne Wilson and Andreessen Horowitz's Scott Kuper along with other previously announced speakers.

Matt Ruby is the founder of Vooza, a video comic strip about the startup world that's been noted as "comedic genius" by Forbes and "The Spinal Tap of Startups" by Mashable.

Cat Clifford is a senior writer at Entrepreneur.com where she frequently covers crowdfunding, the sharing economy and social entrepreneurship.

David Windley is the President of IQTalent Partners, a professional services firm focused on talent acquisition. David formerly served as Chief Human Resources Officer at Yahoo as well as the Vice President of HR at Intuit.

Geri Stengel is a Forbes contributor writing about the success factor of women entrepreneurs as well as the founder and president of [Ventureneer](#), a content marketing, marketing research and education company that helps companies, government agencies and foundations reach small businesses.

Dr. Denise Gosnell is a Data Scientist with PokitDok, extracting insight from the trenches of hidden data in healthcare and building products to bring the industry into the 21st century.

Yao Huang is the Founder and Managing Partner of The Hatchery, an incubator instrumental in developing the New York technology ecosystem.

[Tickets for 36|86](#), June 6 & 7, 2016 at Schermerhorn Symphony Center in Nashville, are available at www.3686South.com. Ticket sales for 36|86 are record-setting to date, with over 60% more purchased to date over this time in 2015. Full conference tickets are still available at \$199 but will be increased at midnight on March 31, 2016.

In addition to access to hundreds of investors and media, 36 southeastern startup companies will compete for a \$50,000 non-equity grand prize. The selection process is ongoing including the [36|86 Southern Series](#) of events in Birmingham, Atlanta and Raleigh-Durham.

About 36|86: The 36|86 conference, produced by LaunchTN, is renowned for featuring the best in southern culture, entrepreneurship and investment. Last year's event drew over 900 attendees, including over 120 investors representing 86 venture firms and 34 presenting startups from the Southeast and Washington, D.C. This year's 36|86 conference is scheduled for June 6 & 7, 2016 at the Schermerhorn Symphony Center in downtown Nashville.