

our special PRESENTERS 2018



Andrews, Sean Michael

Award-Winning hypnotist Sean Michael Andrews is a graduate of Regents College. He is a Master Practitioner of Neuro-Linguistic Programming and a Certified Life Coach. He is also the Supervising Instructor for

the Dave Elman Hypnosis Institute and teaches the nurse anesthetist course for the American School for Clinical Hypnosis International. Sean is also the Director and Senior Instructor for the Atlantic Hypnosis Institute and has taught in 17 countries on five continents and has appeared on television in four countries. Many consider him to be "The World's Fastest Hypnotist."

Auerbach, Norma Lent

Norma has a PhD in Psychology and is President and founder of the Bodymind Learning Inst., Boynton Beach, FL; formerly of New Rochelle, NY. She has extensive experience conducting workshops for profit and non-profit organizations. She specializes in self-improvement programs, stress management, past life regression and NLP. As a former school administrator and college professor, she is listed in *Who's Who in American Education*, and authored numerous publications including *"Empower Yourself: Design your Personal Stress Management Program from A to Z."*



Babineaux, Mark

Mark is an attorney in General Practice who is also trained in both Mediation and Collaborative Resolution. He is honored as a Life Diplomat by the IMDHA and is on the Advisory Board of the IMDHA and IACT. He teaches many hypnosis relat-

ed curricula and his practice includes helping individuals and groups overcome destructive habits, improve beneficial habits and Forensic Hypnosis.

Barness, Bonnie

Bonnie is from Beverly Hills, California and a graduate of U.C.L.A. She resides in Scottsdale, Arizona, where she maintains a private practice providing psychotherapy, hypnotherapy and life coaching. As an author and speaker, Ms. Barness has appeared on radio, T.V., YouTube and has been an expert source for the *Arizona Republic* and her advice column, "Ask Bonnie". She has numerous books and journals, *Experiencing the Shift*, *Manifesting Your Dreams* and *Releasing Addictions*.



Bennett, Linda

Linda Bennett, is Senior Curriculum Specialist and the Hypnotherapy / Guided Imagery Program Director at Southwest Institute of Healing Arts. Linda is recipient of the esteemed 2014 IMDHA Educator of the



Year Award. She received the National Association of Transpersonal Hypnotherapists 2011 Outstanding Clinical Contribution Award, and was also awarded the 2017 IMDHA Chapter of the Year for Exceptional Growth & Outreach for Practitioners in the Community.

Bien, George

George has inspired and changed the lives of hundreds of thousands of people worldwide. He is the principal trainer for the International Association of Counselors and Therapists, a Lifetime member of IACT and conducts Hypnosis Certification Seminars and Training Programs around the world.



"I loved the Daytona Conference as you always make it a very polished, high caliber experience."

Eric Rosen, Palm Harbor, FL

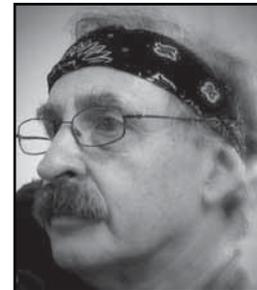
Blacconiere, Carm

Carm has been in the field of hypnosis for over forty years. He was on the board of directors for the "National Hypnotic Research Center", Taught Self Hypnosis in adult evening classes for twenty years in one school district and is now teaching for eight years in another Continuing Ed Program. He has been Chairman of the "Mid-America Hypnosis Conference" for seventeen years. He has gratefully received acknowledgement from the "NGH" the "IHF" and the "IMDHA".



Blum, Peter

Peter lives in Woodstock, NY where he has had an active hypnosis practice for 30 years. Winner of the 2015 IACT Hypnotist of the Year Award, he is a frequent popular presenter at hyp-



nosis conferences. A regular columnist for *Unlimited Human!*, he has written extensively on various aspects of consciousness and hypnosis. Also known for his work with sound, Peter has presented his "Sounds for Healing" meditative concerts around the country and has recorded 8 CD's.

Breward, Helen

Helen is the pioneer of The Menopause Relief Programme, which has gained national and international recognition for helping women with hot flashes. She now trains therapists in her work and has practitioners in eight countries helping women to take back control. Helen has also presented her work at hypnosis conferences in Canada, Las Vegas and London. Prior to working full time in her hypnotherapy clinic, Helen was a primary school teacher for 13 years.



**Carson, Sarah**

Sarah is the co-founder and director of NLP Training New York and The Intelligent Hypnotist. She is an HNLPT Trainer and IACT Certified Master Trainer. As a consulting hypnotist and trainer, Sarah runs

a thriving training center in New York City and sees private clients for transformational change. She is a published author and has produced numerous digital training products.

Carson, Shawn

Shaw is an HNLPT trainer, Hypnosis trainer and Brain Based Leadership trainer with a thriving private practice in NYC. He is an award winning author with over 10 books in the field of hypnosis and NLP. He is also the co-founder of The Intelligent Hypnotist.

**Chong, Dennis and Jennifer**

Dennis and Jennifer and have shared a clinical practice since 1979. They have turned their practice into a research

laboratory in the fields of Applied Linguistics, Semantics, Philosophy, Morality, Ethics, Ontology, Epistemology and AI. Out of their research has come: *Pain Free Surgery by Hypnosis*, *How to Reverse a Cancer*, *Neuro-Semantic Programming*, the study of how-you-know-to-know-how-the-other-knows-to-know-to-be cancerous, alcoholic, drug addict, nail biter and all the rest in DSM-5.

DeMarco, Anthony

Tony holds a B.A., Seton Hall University; LL.B, Seton Hall Law School; and Ph.D., St. John's Univ. He is co-founder of the Academy of Professional Hypnosis, the first school of hypnosis licensed & approved by the State of New Jersey Department of Education in 1991. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Council on Compulsive Gambling since 1991, and serves as Secretary. He is advisory Board Chairman of the Academy of Professional Hypnosis. He is advisory Board Member of the NGH, and member of its Board of Governors; recipient of its Legislative Award, President's Award, and in 2008, the Rexford L. North Award. A member of the C.G.Jung Foun-



ation of New York, the NGH, the NACH, and Life-time member of the IACT. He also serves as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Council of Professional Hypnosis Organizations (COPHO) since 1998.

Diaz-Melendez, Lymari

Lymari Diaz-Melendez works as a project coordinator in United Way of Puerto Rico (UWPR). In 2017, she was recognized as "Hypnotist of the Year" by the IACT Dra. Díaz has specialized in the management of anxiety by combining hypnosis with yoga to manage anxiety. As a Certified Master Trainer, she offers certification in professional hypnotherapy and maintains a part-time hypnosis practice.

**Drenner, Sandra**

Sandy received certifications in Hypnotherapy and Clinical/Medical Support Hypnotherapy in Santa Fe, New Mexico in 2010. She continued training, receiving certifications in basic NLP, advanced NLP as well as Inner Mind Sourcing. Sandy co-

owns MTC Counseling with her husband Monte who is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor and Certified Addictions Counselor. Beginning in 2011 - present, Sandy also began working with an out-patient recovery center, leading hypnotherapy groups, conducting hypnotherapy assessments and working with some clients individually. Mind change work is Sandy's passion, particularly with those who may find themselves enslaved to negative compulsions and actions.

Eimer, Bruce

Bruce Eimer is a licensed psychologist in Philadelphia who has been practicing hypnotherapy since 1989. He has helped thousands of clients stop smoking. He is a Fellow of ASCH and the APA and the author or co-author of nine books. He maintains a private practice and is the Director of Psychology at a hospital-based pain clinic.



"You have my favorite conference, and I look forward to next year."

Richard Nongard, Las Vegas, NV

Elman, Cheryl J.

Cheryl has a BS in Varying Exceptionalities K-12 and Elementary Ed. plus 30 years experience in business. She is President and the marketing force behind the Dave Elman Hypnosis Institute. As a CH, CMT and International Speaker/Trainer, Cheryl has presented at major conferences plus co-trained with Larry Elman in 18 countries. She is an Accredited Trainer and Consultant for the Goulding Process of SleepTalk™ for Children.

**Elman, H. Larry**

Colonel H. Larry Elman, Dave Elman's son, took his father's course several times before attending MIT and becoming an aeronautical engineer. During careers in engineering and the Air Force, Larry had to restrict his hypnosis activities. Now CEO of the Dave Elman Hypnosis Institute, Larry lectures and teaches hypnosis internationally while producing recordings that demonstrate Dave Elman's medical hypnosis methods. Larry also gives Certification Courses, more advanced hypnosis instruction, and shorter courses worldwide.

Emrich, Arthur

Art is a certified Master Practitioner and Trainer of Hypnosis and Neuro Linguistic Programming (NLP). He has been working successfully for over 35 years with groups and individuals, helping them to solve problems and achieve more than they thought possible. As founder of U-Solutions, LLC, in Sarasota, FL, Art is devoted to bringing new approaches and discoveries to businesses, families, and individuals. He has worked with numerous clients in the fields of organizational culture, change management, sports, medical referrals, and event peak performance.

**Finocchio, Elyse**

Elyse has been providing Integrative Health Modalities over 40 years. Her focus is addressing the medical challenges confronting the premier age group (55+). She provides an innovative approach to remove the emotional impact of a medical condition which inhib-

its the healing process. Through lectures and workshops, she teaches awareness of the emotional impact on the physical condition. Elyse applies her skills in Visual Actualization (hypnosis) to manage pain, stress and fear which accompanies the physical condition, thus, lessening the emotional impact and allowing self-support for healing.



Gilbert, Sherry
Sherry has been a hypnotherapist since 2001. She is a faculty member for the Southwest Institute of Healing Arts. She is an accomplished speaker and has a passion for teaching and mentoring. She is proud to have received the 2016 Hypnotist of the Year Award from IACT.

Granger, Sheila

Sheila gained her certification as a Clinical Hypnotherapist in the UK with the General Hypnotherapy Standards Council eight years ago, and has already been recognized by *The India Times* as 'Britain's Leading Hypnotist' and has appeared on National Television on BBC News. Sheila has trained over 2500 practitioners in nine countries. Most known for the Virtual Gastric Band programme - Sheila takes hypnosis into new areas. She has received much national and international attention in radio and periodicals that include but are not limited to *Fox News*, *The Sun Newspaper*, *Melbourne Observer*, and *Woman's Weekly* magazine.



Hand, Karen

Karen is an award-winning Board Certified Hypnotist, Educator, International Best Selling Author and World-Class Communicator. Her 30-year career as a Chicago radio personality was the perfect foundation for using language to create thoughts, pictures and emotions in others. Karen's transition to Hypnosis expanded that skill set. Since 2005 Karen has helped thousands of people take control of their lives and she's trained countless hypnotists and NLPers help others change for good.

"Thanks for Daytona. Once again, I had a fantastic time!"

Melissa Tiers, New York, NY

Hill, Sheryl

Sheryl is the staff hypnotherapist at Centered Health in Malibu, CA and has a practice specializing in Cancer, Autoimmune Digestive Conditions, Chronic Pain, Bruxism, TMJ and Anxiety. At UCLA Dental School, Sheryl teaches dentists how to use hypnosis for CEU's and teaches UCLA Integrative Medical Students hypnotic theory. Sheryl has specialty certifications in neurobiology and psychopharmacology, and holds a Master's level certification in Therapeutic Imagery. She blogs under the name, The Natural Somnambulist for hypnozone.com.



Hunter, Roy

Roy, a Life Diplomat of both IMDHA and APHP, started teaching professional hypnosis in 1987. He is well-known for writing the parts therapy text entitled, *Hypnosis for Inner Conflict Resolution: Introducing Parts*

(2005, Crown House Publishing); although he is the author of a number of other highly praised hypnosis books. In the last decade he has taught workshops in over 20 countries.

Johnson, Mark V.

Mark is a Second Generation Past Life Regression Therapist, a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, a Certified Master Trainer and a Certified LBL Therapist with The Newton Institute. He has been specializing in Past Life Regression and Life Between Lives since 2007. Originally from Charleston, SC, Mark lives and works in Dallas and travels to many locations for Past Life and LBL sessions. Mark and his wife Lana, teach Hypnosis and Past Life Regression in Dallas and other locations.



King, Anne

Anne, a professional hypnotist and hypnosis instructor, is a Diplomat and Fellow of the IMDHA and was awarded Educator of the year in 2001. She began a successful full-time practice in 1986 and has since owned

and operated businesses in three Texas cities. In addition to seeing clients, she owns a state-licensed school where she teaches Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Hypnosis for Certification as well as CEU classes for practicing hypnotists. She facilitates numerous workshops and classes at her school, bringing in a variety of top-name instructors. She has been heavily involved in metaphysics since the mid-80's and founded the Unity Church of Boerne in her home town in the beautiful Texas hill country in 1995.

Lane, Debbie

2007 International Hypnotist of the Year, Debbie has experience with high-profile and complex cases. Debbie was certified by the Naturalife Institute in Basic Hypnosis and Integrative Hypnosis in 2002 and Medical Hypnosis in 2009. She has been the keynote speaker for Anheuser Busch, Working Women Of Tampa Bay, WIN and Pinellas County Schools. She has appeared on numerous radio and television programs including Siren Media's *Strange Sex*. She is a contributing author to *Real World Hypno*.



Linett, Jason

Jason's 'Work Smart Hypnosis Podcast' program has been downloaded more than 125,000 times. He shares hypnosis training, business strategy, and conversations with practitioners around the world. As the founder of 'Virginia Hypnosis' he maintains a full schedule seeing dozens of clients each week and teaching classes in his Alexandria, Virginia office. Jason is most proud of his ability to build a successful business and be at home each night with his family.

Marion, Jessica

Jess is a passionate and caring trainer who enjoys sharing and connecting with hypnotists and students. She is an (H)NLP/NLP trainer, hypnosis trainer, and Brain Based Leadership trainer. She is the co-founder of the Intelligent Hypnotist and works with clients around the world. She currently has over 10 published books.



"Kudos! There was a pulse of community and commitment at this conference I have not seen before."

Kweethai Neill, Roanoke, TX

**Mau, G. Fredric**

Fredric is a National Certified Counselor and Board Certified Hypnotherapist who speaks both nationally and internationally on hypnosis and counseling. He was awarded the 2016 Hypnosis Research Award by the NGH, and the 2013 HypnoScience award by the international Hypnosekongress in Zurich, Switzerland. He is the author of two books, *Emotion: The Power of Change*, and *A Different Reality*. Fredric helps clients with anxiety, trauma, pain, phobias, depression, and conversion disorders.

Neill, Kweethai

Kweethai has been in fulltime practice in clinical hypnotherapy for more than 14 years. She has worked successfully with many traumatized clients. She has specialized training with the International Association of Trauma Professionals. Kweethai integrates her skills in hypnotherapy, mindfulness training and energy medicine to achieve amazing results with clients. She is an exceptional teacher, hypnotherapist and negotiator besides being an author, mentor and advisor.

**Nongard, Richard**

Richard is a university professor, and the 2017 recipient of the IMDHA "Lifetime Achievement Award." You will enjoy his relaxed teaching style, and his interactive approach to learning. He has authored some of the most popular books in our industry, including



Medical Mediation and *Magic Words in Hypnosis*.

Papadakis, Debbie

Debbie is a Registered Psychotherapist, Board Certified Hypnotherapist, Diplomate of the IMDHA practicing since 1995. She has been featured in Oprah's *O Magazine*, *O's Big Book of Happiness*, ElleCanada, Zoomer, CNN.com, WTN and VISIONTV. She is an IMDHA Certified Hypnosis & Pain Management Instructor, Reiki Master, Educator, Speaker & Founding Director of Hypno Healing Institute in Toronto, Canada. Recipient of the IMDHA Life Diplomate and Fellow awards in Hypnotherapy.

**Pelles, Donald**

Donald is a hypnotherapist in Kensington, MD. He works with his clients to resolve their difficult issues and thus transform their lives, utilizing hypnosis and Neurolinguistics (NLP). Hypnotherapy is his third successful career; he was previously a mathematics professor, making significant contributions to the field, and then a software developer. Donald is very happily married to Rosalyn; they have three grown sons, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**Robinson, Ted**

Ted is an Expert EFT practitioner, Reiki Master and a Board Certified Hypnotist for which he was awarded the Order of Braid by the National Guild of Hypnotists for his lifetime contributions to the hypnosis profession. Ted

has written and published five books on alternative health and produced ten DVDs on EFT, Hypnosis and Presence. Ted has presented EFT Internationally and at the United Nations.

Rose, Jeffrey

Jeffrey is a Clinical Hypnotist, Nutritionist and Addiction Recovery Coach. He is certified by IACT and NGH and has over 20 years experience conducting individual and group hypnosis sessions and wellness seminars. He is the Director of the Advanced Hypnosis Center which he established in NYC in 1999 and the former staff writer for *RECOVER Magazine*. An integral part of his clinical practice is his holistic approach, based on his years of nutrition, exercise and sleep research. Jeffrey has risen to a level of expertise that has attracted the attention of NYC hospitals, private practice doctors and drug rehabs.

**Rosen, Eric**

Eric holds a Ph.D. from the State University of NY at Buffalo in Counseling Psychology, and is both a licensed psychologist in NY and FL, holding practice with Family Psychological Services of Palm Harbor, Inc. Eric holds an adjunct instructor posi-

tion with The Florida School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University-Tampa, an A.P.A. accredited clinical psychology doctoral Psy.D. program where he teaches and supervises doctoral students in both assessment, psychological testing and evaluation, clinical treatment for children, adolescents, and adults, and clinical hypnotherapy. Eric has a Diplomate Fellow in Clinical Psychopharmacology and teaches this subject to doctoral Psy.D. Clinical Psychology students. He has IACT/IMDHA Certification in Clinical Hypnotherapy and is an IACT Master Trainer in Clinical Hypnotherapy, also teaching IMDHA Medical Hypnotherapy.

Smith, Michael

Retired, after 30 years in medical hypnosis, Michael is in demand as a speaker and trainer. His extensive background gives him a special understanding of the human condition. As a clinical psychologist and hypnotherapist, Michael Smith, PhD has an extensive background working with cancer patients and with Parkinson's patients.

**Souglides, John**

John has been mentoring, advising, coaching, facilitating, teaching self empowerment and motivational skills to individuals, groups, corporate, security personal, military and government representatives since the 80's. His education also consists of Life Coaching Ph.D., Transpersonal Counselling Ph.D., Parapsychology Ph.D. and Martial Arts Science Ph.D. and IMDHA instructor. Throughout the years he has pioneered breakthroughs within his various fields of expertise. He pioneers advanced thought and wisdom through his workshops, seminars and courses. He is driven to drive others to reach their potential as is clearly indicated through his classes and sessions.

Stork, Steve

Steve Stork, EdD, is Director of Technical Support at iHealth Center for Integrated Wellness in Roanoke, Texas. He is a former professor of education with specialization in early childhood, health & physical activity.





Tiers, Melissa
Melissa is an award winning author, lecturer and founder of The Center for Integrative Hypnosis in New York City. She teaches classes in clinical hypnosis, NLP and Integrative Life Coaching. Melissa is an adjunct faculty member of The New York Open Center and The Tri State

College of Acupuncture.

Vallei, Mary

Mary is owner of The Hypnotherapy Center for Positive Change, a multi-state practice throughout the Southwestern United States. Her general practice includes specialization in anxiety and depression. Mary provides individual, group, family and couples' hypnosis, and works with children and adults. She is registered as a Psychotherapist in Colorado; is former President of the IACT/IMDHA Chapter in MI; is an Instructor for the Michigan School of Hypnosis; is a member with the IACT, the IMDHA, ACHE, and CAP.



Wackernagel, Nicole
Nicole is a certified Hypnotherapist and has a full time practice in Wil, Switzerland. She is the director of the Swiss Hypnosis Institute and is an IMDHA Approved School & IACT Certified Master Trainer. She is teaching in Europe the Confident Hypnosis Master class which is a big success for the last 2 years. She is also Trainer of the Dave Elman Methods and is teaching doctors, dentists and nurses in Europe. She is specialized in medical hypnosis and hypnotherapy with children. She is also training hypnotherapists in Europe in the Goulding SleepTalk process.

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Watson, Michael

An international trainer of NLP and Ericksonian Hypnosis, Michael has been practicing hypnotherapy for over three decades. He is a former trainer for Salad Ltd in the UK and on the training team for NLP of the Rockies and the UP Hypnosis Institute. A Diplomat



of IMDHA, and IACT "Educator of the Year", Michael is a faculty member of HPTI and is the Director of Phoenix Services for Personal Development. Known for his lighthearted and caring style, Michael's training programs are as enjoyable as they are practical. His developmental work in Evolutionary Hypnosis is "cutting edge" and offers a new skill set to hypnotists in contemporary practice. When he's not traveling and training, he lives in Orlando, Florida where he maintains a private practice.

Winkler, Pamela

Pamela is an Educational Psychologist with over 35 years experience as a Clinical Hypnotherapist. She has served as President of St. John's University, in Temecula, CA, since 1995. Pam was awarded the Thomas A. Raffa Memorial Award in 1993 by the International Hypnosis Hall of Fame, for developing M.A. and Ph.D. degree programs in Clinical Hypnotherapy for St. John's University. Pam is co-author, with late husband E. Arthur Winkler of *The Hypnotherapy Inductions & Prescriptions Handbook*, Volume I and II, containing over 300 inductions, deepening techniques and therapeutic scripts.



Winslow, Skye
Skye Winslow is a state and nationally Board Certified Medical Support Hypnotherapist (CMS-CHt). She is a graduate of the Hypnotherapy Academy of America. Skye Winslow is a Fellow of the International Board

of Hypnotherapists (FIBH), and is certified by the National Guild of Hypnotists, the American Association of Professional Hypnotherapists, and the American Council of Hypnotherapist Examiners. In addition, she is a Board Certified Naturopathic Doctor (ND), and a certified personal trainer.

Wong, Paul

Paul is founder of The Heart Wisdom Process & Chinese Energetics. He is an author, life coach, master healer, and trainer with a private practice serving clients worldwide. His mission is to bring ancient wisdom back into modern day society and help people evolve their hearts.



Zottmann, Birgit
Birgit is a certified hypnotherapist and hypnosis instructor. She is trained as a MBSR (Mindful Based Stress Reduction) teacher in the Center of Mindfulness of the University of

Massachusetts Medical School, the University of Jon Kabat-Zinn. She is practicing in private practice hypnosis and mindfulness for 15 years in Frankfurt (Germany) and is an expert in handling clients with weight problems and stress related symptoms.

**Sunday May 20th
9:00 –10:00
Barracuda Room**

*"The Hypnotist's Church" . . .
a guided spiritual meditation*



George Beardsley
Worship leader

As hypnotists we understand the power of the mind, conscious and subconscious. We also know that where two are gathered in the name of Divine Mind you are in the presence of the Divine. So for hypnotists, Church can be anywhere you can close your eyes and relax.

Order of worship:

First Presenter

The Spirit of Forgiveness

Second Presenter

The Spirit of Happiness