

Presenters 2020



Acosta, Juan

Juan Acosta is the best-selling author of *Hypnodontics* and since 2013 has worked with hundreds of dental professionals and their patients. He delivers entertaining and actionable content through his online and live programs, designed to help fellow hypnotists connect with local dental practices and find success with their clients.



Allyson, Christine

Christine Allyson is a Life Coach and author of *So You Want to Make a Change?* with over 30 years experience as an Expert on Change & Transformations for personal and professional growth. Her expertise includes utilizing and teaching Whole Systems Change and Interpersonal Skills Training. She passionately assists clients to move beyond their conscious and unconscious limitations into their potential. She is a past President of the MI Association of Counselors and Hypnotherapists and President of Christal Clear Consulting.



Anapoell, William

William is an Associate Professor of Medicine at the UCSD School of Medicine and practices acute care medicine in the hospital setting. He is a member of the CAM Task Force at the hospital with the goal of reducing narcotic use in the management of pain by providing alternative and complementary therapies. Additionally, he serves as the Medical Director for 150 primary care doctors and 450 specialists who together care for over 20,000 patients in San Diego.



Andrews, Sean Michael

IACT 2018 Hypnotist of the Year Sean is a graduate of Regents College. He is a Master Practitioner of Neuro-Linguistic Programming. Sean is the Supervising Instructor for the Dave Elman Hypnosis Institute and he teaches the nurse anesthetist course for the American School for Clinical Hypnosis International. Sean holds a black belt in Taijutsu Karate.



Auerbach, Norma Lent

Norma holds a Ph.D. in Psychology. She is President and founder of the Bodymind Learning Institute of Boynton Beach, Fl. She is a hypnotherapist and NLP practitioner with extensive experience conducting workshops and seminars. She specializes in self-improvement programs, stress management, past life regression and Neurolinguistic Programming. As a former school administrator and college professor, she is listed in Who's Who in American Education. She also taught a popular program at The Learning Annex in New York entitled "Get Anyone to Do What You Want With NLP." She has authored numerous publications including a popular handbook *Empower Yourself: Design Your Personal Stress Management Program from A to Z.*



Aurand, Paul

Based in New York City, Paul travels the world conducting sessions and teaching transformational workshops and training courses. He is an award-winning Master Practitioner who has worked in the field for nearly 30 years. Paul has been honored as “Educator of the Year” “Therapist of the Year” and “Hypnotherapist of the Year.” Paul has been featured in the films Flipside, On the Threshold, Dying to Know, and Discovering Regression Therapy for his ground-breaking work with NDE Regression and Life Between Lives Regression.



Babineaux, Mark

Mark is an attorney 40 years in practice with training in mediation and collaborative issue resolution. His experience in hypnosis is in providing help to groups and individuals in enhancing beneficial habits and diminishing and eliminating destructive habits. He is active in several hypnosis organizations dedicated to the promotion of effective hypnosis education. He is honored as Life Diplomate with the IMDHA, Certified Master Trainer with the IACT, Certified Instructor with the IHF, President of the Louisiana Hypnotherapy Association and sits on the IMDHA Board of Advisors.



Bennett, Linda

Linda is Senior Curriculum Specialist and the Hypnotherapy Program Director at Southwest Institute of Healing Arts. She is the esteemed 2014 IMDHA Educator of the Year recipient, received the National Association of Transpersonal Hypnotherapists 2011 Outstanding Clinical Contribution Award, and was awarded the 2017 IMDHA Chapter of the Year for Exceptional Growth & Outreach for Practitioners in the Community.



Blacconaire, 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 and Taught Self Hypnosis in adult evening classes for twenty-eight years. He is current Chairman of the Mid-America Hypnosis Conference, serving for the past twenty two years. Carm has gratefully received acknowledgement from the NGH, the IHF and the IACT.



Blum, Peter

Peter has had a full-time practice in hypnosis for 30 years. He is a pioneer in the field of sound healing, and is an ordained interfaith minister. His teachers have included Dr. Anne Linden, Dr. Steve Carter, Dr. Ernest Rossi, Beautiful Painted Arrow, and Dr. Lewis Mehl-Madrona. He was awarded Hypnotist of the Year in 2015 by the IACT, and in 2018 was recognized as "Life Fellow in Hypnotherapy by the IMDHA.



Carson, Sarah

Sarah is the co-founder and director of The Intelligent Hypnotist. She is an HNLP Trainer and an 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

Shawn Carson is the co-founder and director of The Intelligent Hypnotist. He is an HNLP Trainer, with a training center in New York City and sees private clients for transformational change. He is a published award winning author and has produced numerous digital training products.



Catlin, Jennifer

Jennifer is a certified hypnotherapy instructor, hypnotherapist and mindfulness teacher. She began her career as a school psychologist before venturing into the field of client-centered, transpersonal hypnotherapy. Jennifer is passionate about helping individuals process unresolved emotions. Through her work in advanced hypnotherapy, she discovered and created powerful techniques that allow clients to move through the self critical voice that keeps them stuck in old patterns, creating the space needed to live life authentically.



Chong, Dennis and Jennifer

Jennifer and Dennis are respectively Fellows of the Society of Neuro-Semantics, Fellows of the American Board of Medical Psychotherapy and Fellows of the Medical and Dental Hypnosis Association.

They have a conjoint clinical practice in Hypnotherapy and Psychotherapy since 1979 in Oakville, ON, Canada. In answer to their research question - Is it really possible for a person: to find out how another knows-to-know-to be they completed their book *Do You Know How Another Knows To Be?* in October 2017.



Clark, Eva

Eva has spent over a decade exploring how our beliefs, behaviors, and adverse experiences affect our physical health. She took a two-year sabbatical in 2013 to thoroughly research and test the effects of hypnosis and neurolinguistic programming (NLP) on the symptoms of multiple sclerosis (MS) and is currently getting her PsyD in Health Psychology. She has made the body-mind connection her focus and managing chronic disease with hypnotherapy and NLP her specialty.



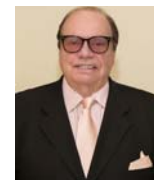
Cleary, Daniel

Dan is an internationally recognized, Hypnosis Instructor and Pain Relief Educator. He teaches Hypnosis and Hypnotic Techniques throughout the United States and Europe to Doctors, Psychologists, Therapists and other Hypnotists. His specialties include Pain Relief and Personal Transformation.



Day, Suzy

Graduate of the Clinical Hypnotherapy program at the Southwest Institute of Healing Arts; She specializes in Past Life Regression and Spiritual Exploration. She holds a dual membership in both, the IACT and the IMDHA and is the author of several published articles. Suzy is the winner of the 2017 IMDHA Essay Contest. She is the developer and facilitator of hypnosis workshops and seminars and a former instructor with Central Arizona College's Lifelong Learning Program. She originally established her practice Arizona and now has a thriving practice in southern Oregon.



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 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 Foundation 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.



Eimer, Bruce

Bruce is a licensed psychologist and certified master hypnotherapist who specializes in the use of hypnosis for pain management. He is board certified by the American Board of Professional Psychology and is a Life Fellow of the IMDHA, the American Psychological Association and the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis. He has written several books on hypnosis for pain relief and he worked for 7 1/2 years at a busy hospital-based pain clinic.



Eljay, Jean

Jean earned his doctorate in Medical Genetics with a master's degree in Molecular Biology from the Johns Hopkins University. He was awarded post-doctoral positions at the Rockefeller University, NY and at the Hematology Division of the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, MD.

Jean is a worldwide lecturer and renowned author with 100s of published citations in the medical literature. He has excelled as a lecturer and educator for over 25 years. With 30 years lecturing in higher academic institutions, he focuses on providing knowledge of Complementary Alternative Medicine (CAM) and evolving the practice of hypnosis.



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. He also gives Certification Courses, advanced hypnosis instruction, and offers courses worldwide.



Frese, Petra

Petra, a scientist by education and volunteer firefighter, now works as hypnotist, hypnosis instructor and spiritual healer by calling with offices in both Switzerland and Pennsylvania, USA. She also teaches Body Language and Microexpressions all over the world. Having been through her own tragedies, she now focuses on passionately coaching clients tackle horrible diagnoses by helping them create their own miracle — either by healing or transitioning peacefully.



Garrett, Larry

Larry has been in full time practice since 1970. He began teaching hypnosis at Morton College in 1972 and Wright College in 1976 consistently until 1999. Both were the first courses on hypnosis offered at a college in Illinois. Larry has worked with many police departments in the Chicago area and many physicians and hospitals, assisting with medical procedures using hypnosis. He has traveled 30 states at over 400 colleges and schools lecturing and demonstrating hypnosis and has been on over 100 radio and TV programs.



Gerey, Nicolas

Nicolas is a professional trainer (Cert IV Training and Assessment), Clinical Hypnotherapist (MAACHP), NLP Master Practitioner (MABNLP), Goulding Process SleepTalk® Consultant and Trainer and a member of the IACT and the IMDHA. He runs trainings and gives speeches at conferences in Australia, the US and Europe. He taught hundreds of parents to SleepTalk, internationally and now trains professional consultants for the Goulding Process. Presently he works with biocybernetics researcher and developer Gabor Lednyiczky on cell-level communication application projects.



Gilbert, Sherry

Sherry has been a hypnotherapist since 2001 and is a faculty member for the Southwest Institute of Healing Arts. She holds a degree in Holistic Health from the American Institute of Holistic Theology and earned the title of 2016 Hypnotist of the Year from the International Medical and Dental Hypnotherapy Association..



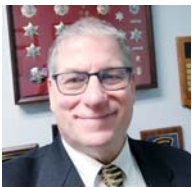
Granger, Sheila

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 'Britains Leading Hypnotist' and has appeared on National Television on BBC News. Sheila has trained over 2,500 practitioners in nine countries. Most known for the Virtual Gastric Band programme, Sheila now 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, Womans weekly magazine, and Fox News.



Grant, Zoilita

Zoilita is an internationally known expert in hypnosis, which she has been practicing for nearly 50 years. During that time she created a line of hypnosis meditations, wrote twenty-four books for hypnosis practitioners, founded Colorado Coaching and taught five styles of hypnosis, which she now practices exclusively as a hypnotic coach. This new profession is a natural evolution of the use of hypnosis in combination with business & life coaching tools and techniques with the power of hypnosis.



Green, Rick

Captain Rick Green is a retired law officer with over 38 years experience in high risk duties. As such he has directly encountered all aspects of traumatic events, including officer involved shootings, homicides, police suicides, and suicide by police. He has taught stress management and resiliency in Police Academies and Police Departments. He has utilized hypnotic skills early on and has since been trained by Mike Mandel, Melissa Tiers, Steve Roehm, David Snyder, Randi Light and many others



Hand, Karen

Karen is a Board-Certified Hypnotist, Trainer, International Best-Selling author, and World-Class Communicator. Her career as a Chicago radio personality was the foundation for using language to exercise imagination. Karen's transition to Hypnosis reminded her skills and she has helped thousands take control of their lives. She has trained countless hypnotists and NLPers to help others change for good. Karen sees clients and conducts trainings in her Chicago office and globally via ZOOM.



Hanson, Jessica

Jessica is often described as an "old soul" because of her many experiences which leave even the experts wondering. She had a near death experience in 2006 which drove her studies and curiosities deeper than ever.

She is a compassionate hypnotherapist, self taught herbalist, walked the road of widowhood and is an avid volunteer.



Horton, William

Will is considered by many to be the world's Leading Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) Trainer. A Licensed Psychologist, Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, and Master Hypnotist, Will was one of the few non-law enforcement people asked to attend the FBI Crisis/Hostage Negotiation Course at the FBI Academy. Will's passion for NLP and Hypnosis comes from personal experience. He has taught people all over the world the skills of NLP, Hypnosis, Performance Enhancement, and the Art of Business Communication. He is the founder of NFNLP, the National Federation of NeuroLinguistic Programming, a published author and the creator of several best selling home study courses on NLP and Hypnosis.



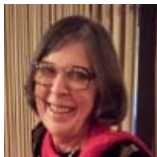
Hunter, Roy

Roy is a published author and trainer recognized in America and abroad. His highly praised books are used at hypnosis schools around the world. *The Art of Spiritual Hypnosis* includes contributions by over two dozen hypnosis professionals from around the world. Roy's numerous awards include Lifetime Achievement. He was inducted into the International Hypnosis Hall of Fame for his books, and is a Life Diplomat of the IMDHA and the APHP.



Lalonde, Gary

Gary is a Certified Hypnotherapist with more than 3 decades of providing one-on-one coaching to folks with health issues. Gary is a unique helper who has broke through to a world were few people travel. Learn from his personal and professional experiences in working with clients with symptoms of Cancer, RSD, Cutting, Polio and a very long list of conditions.



Louise, Roxanne

A hypnotherapist since 1989, Roxanne is a national hypnosis and dowsing presenter, who has been teaching at most American professional hypnosis and dowsing conferences for almost three decades! She received seven national hypnosis awards including two for Lifetime Achievement, and two major dowsing awards from the American Society of Dowsers for whom she conducts two teleconferences monthly and was just elected as the new President of this international society.



Marion, Jessica

Jess is a certified NLP and HNLP trainer, hypnosis trainer, and consulting hypnotist. She is the co-founder of the Intelligent Hypnotist and is a published author with 10 books to her name.



Mau, G. Fredric

Fredric was named Outstanding Counselor by the SC Counseling Association. He was the opening keynote speaker at the 70th Anniversary Australian Hypnotherapists Association 2019 World Conference. He has received awards in the US and Europe for his careful research on the neurology of hypnosis. He created Relaxation-Based Pain Relief, a clinical protocol for nonpharmacological pain relief, to give clinicians practical tools to use these powerful processes to help hurting people.



Neill, Kweethai

Kweethai practices iChange Therapy; integrating hypnotherapy, the language of change and energy medicine. She practices Hypnotherapy intuitively. Mediator, author, speaker and teacher; Kweethai is founder and president of iHealth Center for Integrated Wellness in Fort Worth, TX.



Noble, Santosha

Santosha is a Certified Hypnotherapist, Author and creator of Reimaging: a 7 step Hypno-Imagery program to clear mind/body/spirit. She has a BA in Counseling and Creative Arts Therapies, and an AAS degree in Chemical Dependency. She has over 37 years experience in counseling and as a hypnotherapist in a private practice. Santosha trains Hypnotists, Therapists, and Medical Staff in Reimaging while maintaining a full-time hypnotherapy practice in Del Rey Oaks, CA



Norman, Suzanne

Suzanne is transformational wellness and integrative life coach. She is also a writer, trainer and spiritual teacher. She has over twenty years experience in the fields of complementary and integrative therapeutic practices and personal development. Suzanne is a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, Guided Imagery Specialist and Master Practitioner Neuro-Linguistic Programming. She is a certified Transformational Life Coach . She is also trained in the Natural Health Sciences, with degrees in Yoga, Yoga Therapy, Ayurveda, , Her specialty is Mind/Body Medicine.



Papadakis, Debbie

Debbie is a Registered Psychotherapist and Clinical Hypnotherapist with 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 Life 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 Donald's third successful career; he was previously a mathematics professor, making significant contributions to the field, and later a software developer. Donald is very happily married to Rosalyn; they have three grown sons and four grandchildren.



Prakash, Sunil

Sunil is a certified Trainer & Hypnotherapist practicing in India; addressing various forms and provided training to the team of management professionals where DOW chemicals is a big name. He provides an online course for Hypnotherapy. Through his sessions he has helped people from all walks of life with issues related from general to specific problems. Release of soul attachments is his forte.



Rocki, Wes

Wes is a medical doctor who combines medicine with hypnotherapy while practicing and teaching self-healing care which includes recognizing and healing adverse childhood experiences (ACE) as the root cause of majority chronic diseases in adulthood. Among therapeutic tools he uses theatrical improvisation (improv) a modality closely related to hypnotherapy. Dancing and laughter yoga are other modalities of self-healing he applies in his practice. Wes is a dreamer and a permanent student.



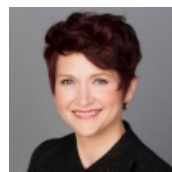
Rosen, Eric

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 Florida, holding practice with Family Psychological Services of Palm Harbor, Inc. providing psychotherapy, psychological testing, forensic work, and clinical hypnotherapy for children, adolescents, adults and families. Eric is also an Associate Professor with The Florida School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University-Tampa, an A.P.A. accredited.



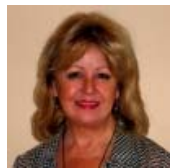
Roth, Melissa

After healing her own irritable bowel syndrome and fibromyalgia through self-hypnosis, Melissa became a full time practicing hypnotherapist specializing in medical applications of hypnotherapy. She has developed a number of unique approaches to chronic illnesses which have become the complimentary treatments of choice worldwide. She partners with physicians of every specialty to promote hypnosis as an important and valuable tool in the medical toolbox.



Scharlau, Amye

Amye is a member of the IACT and a certified NGH and OMNI Instructor and International Speaker with over 18 years experience as both a stage and consulting hypnotist.



Scott, Patricia

Patti is a Certified Medical Hypnotherapist (since 1992), Certified Master Trainer for the IACT, and a Life Fellow with the IMDHA. President of UP Hypnosis Institute (Unlimited Possibilities Hypnosis Inc.) in Florida, she maintains a private practice and teaches Hypnosis, Medical Hypnotherapy and NLP. Prior, Patti had an exciting 20 year career as a professional singer, actor, dancer & songwriter.



Souza Campos, Flavio

A hypnotherapist in private practice since 1996, founded the Miami Chapter of IACT, He is a professor at Aranegui Institute in Miami, Florida and holds doctoral degrees in biomedical engineering and medicine.



Stork, Steve

Steve is associate, collaborator and co-author with Kweethai Neill at iHealth Center for Integrated Wellness in Fort Worth, TX. His presentations describe aspects of Kweethai's iChange Therapy process.



Thunberg, Linda

Linda is an award winning Master Transpersonal Hypnotist with a dedication to her clients and the field. She is also a Certified Addictions Hypnotherapist, Life Coach, Life between Lives Hypnotherapist, Quantum Healing Hypnotist, Delphi Certified Medium and an Ordained Minister. As the owner of Transpersonal Power, LLC, and President of the National Association of Transpersonal Hypnotherapists (NATH), with offices in Wilmington and Charlotte NC, she certifies students to be Transpersonal Hypnotherapists, Master Hypnotherapists, and Life between Lives Hypnotists through NATH.



Vallei, Mary

Mary has been a Hypnosis Professional since 2007. She is an Internationally Certified Hypnotherapist who has a thriving Multi-State Practice in CO, NM and MI. Her clients range in ages from 7 to 94. She works with individuals, groups couples, and families. She is a Life Fellow of the IMDHA, a member of the IACT, the ACHE, and the Colorado Association of Psychotherapists. In MI she served as President of the MI Association of Counselors and Hypnotherapists and as an Instructor for the MI School of Hypnotherapy. In her practice, *Hypnotherapy Center for Positive Change*, Mary specializes in anxiety, fears, stress, general wellness and personal growth and performance. Mary is dedicated to assisting her clients in discovering how to live who they are for as long as they can in the happiest, healthiest ways.



Vessey, Patricia Estava

Patricia is a trainer, ICF certified coach, hypnotherapist, NLP master, fitness trainer, health coach, and author with 30 years of social work experience. She's hypnotized thousands of people, presented a wide variety of personal development workshops at local colleges, conferences, and corporate events. She helps her students and clients of all ages, to dream bigger, make better choices, and achieve powerful and lasting changes by using the power of their mind. She has also created and taught a wide assortment of fitness, health, exercise classes, including yoga, cardio dance, weight training and others for three decades.



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 Life Diplomate of the IMDHA, and the 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.

**Williams, Rusty**

As an author, Consulting Hypnotist, and Hypnosis Instructor, Rusty considers it a privilege to help people live life to its fullest. He has presented workshops at local, state, national, and international training conferences. Rusty spent 25 years in law enforcement where he retired as a detective; prior to that, he served the citizens of South Jersey as a paramedic. Rusty is an ordained Christian minister and former faculty director of a college seminary.

**Yolles-Young, Nora**

Nora has been a certified hypnotist and regression hypnotherapist since 2012. As a client centered practitioner, my mission is to offer rapid transformational healing opportunities that will enhance and improve one's life. By integrating her expertise as a hypnotherapist, coach, anthropologist, instructor and intuitive healer, she facilitates and guides clients toward transformational self discovery and success in achieving goals. She uses a variety of methods to accomplish this including holistic life coaching, energy psychology, clinical, transpersonal hypnosis and Life Between Lives Hypnotherapy®.