

"Imagery, Suggestion And Mind/Body Medicine" Conference To Be Held As Global Webcast May 15-18, 2008

Academy for Guided Imagery 20th Annual Conference, "IMAGERY, SUGGESTION AND MIND/BODY MEDICINE: 2008," a global internet webcast to be held May 15-18, 2008 and archived online through July 19, 2008.

April 4, 2008 - [PRLog](#) -- The Academy for Guided Imagery will be holding its 20th Annual Conference, "IMAGERY, SUGGESTION, AND MIND/BODY MEDICINE," on May 15-18, 2008. For the first time, the conference will be presented as a worldwide webcast.

Imagery and suggestion are critically important unconscious elements in most health care communications, for they can significantly affect the outcome of many medical interventions and therapies. During this groundbreaking webcast, the originators and long-time developers, researchers, teachers, and practitioners of ancient and modern imagery-related techniques will share their unique and extensive expertise, wisdom, and experience through formal presentations and interactive interviews.

Anyone with internet access (dial-up to DSL to T1) on any platform (PC, Mac) can attend, earn CE credits, and register at the lowest conference fees in years. This will allow participation by many providers, students, academics, and the public who are interested in this work but could not travel, take time from their practices, study, teaching, or home activities, or afford to attend conferences in the past. Presentations will be archived through July 19, 2008.

The conference will feature a distinguished international faculty who will share their most recent theories, thoughts, research, techniques, strategies, and clinical findings about imagery, visualization, suggestion, mind/body medicine, and related topics.

To date the faculty includes: Jeanne Achterberg, PhD, Mark Atkinson, MBBS; Daniel J. Benor MD, ABHM; David E. Bresler, PhD, LAc; Hyla Cass, MD; Effie Poy Yew Chow, CPA; James S. Gordon, MD; Dennis T. Jaffe, PhD; Dieter Kallinke, MD Dipl.Psych.; Paula King, PhD; Stanley Krippner, PhD; Lewis Mehl-Madrona, MD, PhD; Emmett Miller, MD; Helmut Milz, MD; Jean-Luc Mommaerts, MD, MSc; Dean Ornish, MD; Kenneth R. Pelletier, PhD, MD(hc); Susan Reynolds, MD, PhD; Martin L. Rossman, MD; Francine Shapiro, PhD; Nimrod Sheinman, ND; David S. Sobel, MD, MPH; Hillary Trindle, MD; and Kathryn P. White, PhD, DMH, LAc; and, tentatively, Andrew Weil, MD.

Guest faculty include best-selling crime novelist James Ellroy, on envisioning addiction and sobriety; legendary Hollywood film producer Peter Guber, on the power of the narrative; and preeminent security expert and best-selling author Gavin de Becker, on "The Gift of Fear."

To obtain further information, to download an online copy of the Conference Brochure, or to register for the webcast, please visit: <http://www.acadgi.com/annualconference/index.html>

The Faculty and Their Presentations:

Jeanne Achterberg, PhD: "Transpersonal Imagery and the Effect on Brain Function, Using an fMRI Analysis"

Mark Atkinson, MBBS: "The Freedom Method - The Master Key to Emotional Wellbeing"

Daniel J. Benor, MD, ABHM: "Rapid and Deep Transformation Using WHEE: Wholistic Hybrid from EMDR & EFT"

David E. Bresler, PhD, LAc: "Pre-Conference Workshop: An Overview of Interactive Guided Imagery(sm)" and "Imagery, Addictions, & Pain"

Hyla Cass, MD: "Nutrients for the Brain: A Critical Update for Mental Health Providers"

Effie Poy Yew Chow, PhD, RN, LAc: "Chow Qigong for Individual and Planetary Health: An Essential Balance"

Gavin de Becker: "The Gift of Fear"

James Ellroy: "A Vision of Sobriety"

James S. Gordon, MD: "Trauma & Transformation: Using Mind-Body Medicine to Heal the Wounds of War & Disasters"

Peter Guber: "The Power of the Narrative"

Dennis T. Jaffe, PhD: "The Psychology of Wealth: Helping Families Talk About Money"

Dieter Kallinke, MD, Dipl.Psych.: "An MD's Path to Alternative Medicine and Guided Imagery"

Paula King, PhD: " Interactive Guided Imagery(sm) and Inner Coaching for Performance Enhancement"

Stanley Krippner, PhD: " Discoveries During Sleep: Creative Imagery in Dreams"

Lewis Mehl-Madrona, MD, PhD: "Dialogue With An Illness: Approaches To Letting An Illness Tell Its Story"

Emmett Miller, MD: "Awakening The Leader Within"

Helmut Milz, MD: "Somatic Aspects of Imagery Work"

Jean-Luc Mommaerts, MD,MSc: "Autosuggestion/Guided Imagery at the Center of Future Medicine"

Dean Ornish, MD, PhD: *TBA*

Kenneth R. Pelletier, PhD, MD(hc): "Integrative Medicine: An Fusion of Conventional and Alternative Medicine"

Susan Reynolds, MD, PhD: "Imagery, Suggestion, and Improving Patient Satisfaction in the Emergency Department"

Martin L. Rossman, MD: " Pre-Conference Workshop: An Overview of Interactive Guided Imagery(sm)" and "Fighting Cancer from Within: How to Mobilize Healing Resources"

Francine Shapiro, PhD: "EMDR: 21st-Century Therapy and the Possibilities for Healing"

Nimrod Sheinman, ND: "Imagery and Mindfulness Skills with Children - Summary of Ten Years Experience in Israeli Schools"

David S. Sobel, MD, MPH: "Great Expectations: Enhancing Confidence, Improving Health"

Hillary Tindle, MD: "Guided Imagery and Smoking Cessation Programs"

Andrew Weil, MD (tentative): "Reflections on Mind Body Medicine" (tentative)

Kathryn P. White, PhD, DMH, LAc: "The Energetics of Depression: Integrating Chinese Medicine in Guided Imagery"

Conference Chair and Co-Founder of the Academy for Guided Imagery: *David E. Bresler, PhD, LAc*

David Bresler is the President and Co-Founder, Academy for Guided Imagery, and Executive Director of The Bresler Center in Los Angeles. He is the former Founder and Executive Director of the UCLA Pain Control Unit and Associate Clinical Professor, UCLA School of Medicine; Former White House Commissioner on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy; Author of *Free Yourself From Pain, Break Your Smoking Habit With Guided Imagery*, and numerous other books, workbooks, articles, and scientific publications.

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