# Boston, Massachusetts **nnuci** May 30 - June 2, 2018

International Trauma Conference

# Psychological Trauma

Neuroscience, Identity and Self

## **FEATURING**

**Conference Director:** Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD

#### With:

Margaret E. Blaustein, PhD Judson Brewer, MD, PhD Sherain Harricharan, PhD Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD Gabor Maté, MD Michael Mithoefer, MD Stephen W. Porges, PhD **Matthew Sanford** Richard C. Schwartz, PhD Elizabeth Warner, PsyD Rev. Gloria E. White-Hammond, MD, MDiv

and many more!

he study of trauma has probably been the single most fertile area in helping to develop a deeper understanding of the relationship among the emotional, cognitive, social and biological forces that shape human development. Starting with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in adults and expanding into early attachment and overwhelming attachment and social experiences in childhood ("Developmental Trauma"), this endeavor has elucidated how certain experiences can "set" psychological expectations and biological selectivity.

When addressing the problems of traumatized people who, in a myriad of ways, continue to react to current experience as a replay of the past, there is a need for therapeutic methods that do not depend exclusively on drugs or cognition. We have learned that most experience is automatically processed on a subcortical level of the brain; i.e., by "unconscious" interpretations that take place outside of conscious awareness. Insight and understanding have only a limited influence on the operation of these subcortical processes, but synchrony, movement and reparative experiences do.

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## PRE-CONFERENCE

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018

- 1. Sports-Based Stabilization: Run, Throw, Catch, Compete, and Heal
- 2. The Use of Psychedelic Substances, Particularly MDMA, for Treating PTSD
- 3. Embodied Self-Experience
- 4. Abiding in Community: A Model of Community-Based, Spiritually-Informed Trauma Intervention in the Midst of Individual and Collective Trauma Exposure

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- 5. Embodied Self-Experience
- De-Cruit: Helping Veterans to Come Home Using Theater
- 7. Using EMDR Across the Lifespan
- 8. Utilizing Trauma-Informed Practice as a Foundation for Peace-Building & Development in Humanitarian Settings
- Frontiers of Applied Neuroscience of Trauma: Neural Correlates of Altered Self-Experience, Agency & Reciprocity

# Thursday Evening at the Movies 🌠

7:30 PM

Angelo Unwritten Alice Stone

Discussants: Andy Pond, MSW, MAT & Adam Pertman

This documentary tells the story of a gifted yet troubled youth, and his final set of foster parents. For three tumultuous years, they face unforeseen challenges as they start a new chapter in their lives together as a family. The film is a call to action for continuing support and services for foster youth and families, which so often goes lacking once permanency or adoption has been established.

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## **MAIN CONFERENCE**

# FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 am Registration

8:30 – 8:45 am Welcome & Introduction: Trauma and

**Embodied Cognition** 

Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD

8:45 – 9:45 am The Effects of Traumatic Stress on Self-

**Experience: Balance, Perception** 

& Sensory Integration

Sherain Harricharan, PhD, Elizabeth Warner, PsyD &

Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD

9:45 – 10:45 am The Psychological Processing of

Traumatic Experience: Self-Awareness, Interoception & Memory Processing -How (and How Well) Does EMDR

**Actually Work?** 

Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD, Matthew Sanford &

Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD

10:45 – 11:05 am **Coffee Break** 

11:05 am – 12:05 pm The Craving Mind: Why We Get Stuck in

**Habits & How Mindfulness Helps Us Get** 

Unstuck

Judson Brewer, MD, PhD

12:05 – 12:30 pm **Panel Discussion & Questions** 

**Faculty & Conference Participants** 

12:30 – 1:45 pm **Lunch (on your own)** 

1:15 – 1:45 pm Chair Yoga (optional)

David Emerson, E-RYT, TCTSY-F

1:45 – 2:45 pm The Emergence of a

Polygonal-Informed Therapy: How Music & Voice Contribute to

**Healing Following Trauma** 

Stephen W. Porges, PhD

2:45 – 3:00 pm Coffee Break

3:00 – 5:00 pm Afternoon Workshops

(see options on right)

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# SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 am **Registration** 

8:30 – 9:30 am The Effects of Trauma on the

Mind-Body Relationship in Everyday Life: Posture, Balance,

Self-Awareness, Sensory Integration,

Giving and Receiving **G** 

**Matthew Sanford** 

9:30 – 10:30 am When the Body Says No: Trauma,

**Physical Illness and Self Care** 

Gabor Maté, MD

10:30 – 10:50 am **Panel Discussion** 

10:50 – 11:10 am **Coffee Break** 

11:10 am – 12:10 pm The Evolution of Child Trauma

Treatment: 15 Years of Attachment, Regulation and Competency (ARC)

Margaret E. Blaustein, PhD

12:10 – 12:30 pm **Panel Discussion & Questions** 

**Faculty & Conference Participants** 

12:30 – 1:45 pm **Lunch (on your own)** 

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David Emerson, E-RYT, TCTSY-F

1:45 – 3:45 pm Afternoon Workshops

(see options on right)

3:45 – 4:00 pm Coffee Break

4:00 – 5:00 pm Amazing Grace: Journey to Wellness -

The Intersection of Spirituality & Medicine to Promote Personal Healing

and Community Wholeness

Rev. Gloria E. White-Hammond, MD, MDiv

5:00 - 5:30 pm Closing: Quaker Style Sharing &

**Debriefing (Optional)** 

## FRIDAY-AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

 Internal Family Systems and the Psychotherapy of Self-Leadership: Self and Identity

Richard C. Schwartz, Ph.D.

Trauma and Self-Experience

Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD, Wendy D'Andrea, PhD,

Paul A. Frewen, PhD, C.Psych & Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD

 Getting In-Touch with Touch: A Powerful Tool for Emotional and Physiological Regulation

Elya Steinberg, MD

• The Equus Effect - Deepening the Somatic Experience through Attunement with Horses

David Sonatore, LCSW, SEP and Jane Strong, SEP

 Traumatized Children & Adolescents: Balance, Multisensory Integration & Psychotherapeutic Work

Elizabeth Warner, PsyD & Sherain Harricharan, PhD

• Part 1: Neurofeedback for Affect Dysregulation and Impairment of Executive Functioning

Diana Martinez, MD, Ainat Rogel, PhD, LICSW & Hilary Hodgdon, PhD (Note: Can attend one or both parts)

\* Workshop selection can be choosen onsite.

## SATURDAY-AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

 Part 2: Neurofeedback for Affect Dysregulation and Impairment of Executive Functioning

Diana Martinez, MD, Ainat Rogel, PhD, LICSW & Hilary Hodgdon, PhD (Note: Can attend one or both parts)

 Healing Relational Trauma with Internal Family Systems (IFS) Therapy

Frank Guastella Anderson, MD

 Ongoing Assessment and Tracking of Client Progress: The JRI Client Assessment Tracking System (CATS), a Web-Based Continuous Quality Improvement Platform

Lia Martin, PhD & Tara Sagor, CAGS, LMHC

When the Body Says NO: Consultation Time with Gabor Maté

Gabor Maté, MD

 Traumatized Inner City Youth: Opportunities and Obstacles in Hands-On Work

Rev. Gloria E. White-Hammond, MD, MDiv, Alexandra Cook, PhD & Jana Pressley, PsyD

 Moving the Traumatized Body: Consultation Time with Matthew Sanford

Matthew Sanford

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# **Pre-Conference Workshops**

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 30

Choose One Full-Day Workshop

## Workshop 1: Sports-Based Stabilization: Run, Throw, Catch, Compete, and Heal

#### Lou Bergholz, Tanya Forneris, PhD & Maren Rojas

Sport continues to evolve as a recognized and powerful medium for healing and recovery from trauma. At last year's pre-conference workshop, we introduced a framework for sports-based stabilization by discussing the core elements of sport that promote healing. This year's workshop will present a deeper exploration of sports-based stabilization. We will map the ways that cutting-edge trauma research and clinical approaches can be applied to a sport context. We'll do this by walking in the shoes of a trauma-sensitive coach, expanding our understanding of the healing pathways that sport offers. There will be a close examination of some of the most profound, and often hidden therapeutic mechanisms that exist inside the sport experience, including: utilizing interval training to promote self-regulation, discovering why sport may be one of the few mediums left that allows us to leverage positive touch outside of a clinical setting, and how sport can help us unlock a client's inner narrative. There will be opportunities to study current examples of organizations that are utilizing sport to heal. And, we will be sharing lessons learned and best practices from a current sport for healing intervention being implemented in an afterschool setting in Canada. Participants will leave with a "playbook 2.0" of sports-based stabilization techniques and strategies to apply to a wide range of clinical and non-clinical contexts.

#### Workshop 2: The Use of Psychedelic Substances, Particularly MDMA, for **Treating PTSD**

Phil Wolfson MD, Michael Mithoefer, MD, Richard Schwartz, PhD, Shannon Clare Carlin, MA, Francis Guerriero, MA, LICSW, James Hopper, PhD, Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD, & the members of the Trauma Center MDMA therapy team

For the first time in over four decades, researchers are returning to examining the therapeutic benefits of psychedelic substances, including MDMA (ecstasy), psilocybin (mushrooms) and LSD. In the 1970s the study of all psychedelics was criminalized in the US, despite emerging evidence of their medical value. Over the past decade, the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Research has helped to revive psychedelic research, sponsoring studies across the United States and around the world, including MDMA-assisted therapy for PTSD, and end-of-life anxiety. The results have been overwhelmingly positive and lasting over 72 months of follow-up. Few adverse effects have been reported. Psychedelics may promote a deepening and acceleration of the psychotherapeutic process. Strikingly, during therapy, people often are able to access and

find peace with disavowed, "exiled" parts of themselves. In this workshop the founder of MAPS will describe the evolution of psychedelic therapy, the principal investigator of the Phase I and II level trials will discuss outcomes and processes, while the Boston MDMA study team will discuss clinical experiences, applications, limitations and potential risks. Psychedelics (in appropriate therapeutic contexts) may prove to be significantly more effective than most conventional treatments, and may well prove to be safer and more cost-effective.

## **Workshop 3: Embodied Self-Experience**



#### Betsy Polatin, MFA, AmSAT, SEP & Licia Sky

The body keeps the score. The latest neuro-scientific research presented at this conference further confirms trauma affects the ways our bodies process sensations, balance, movement in space, and sense of self. Traditionally trained therapists may wonder how this knowledge can be applied to bring an embodied approach to therapeutic sessions. In this workshop, Betsy Polatin, author of The Actor's Secret, and Licia Sky, co-author of the Body Keeps the Score Workbook, will offer experiential exercises drawn from 30 years' experience in theater training, Alexander Technique, Somatic Experiencing, meditation, yoga, massage and Embodied Voice. We will focus on what happens in a therapy session from an interpersonal neurobiology perspective and demonstrate how bodily self-awareness affects the safety and ability to be present with whatever emerges. Participants will be guided through awareness experiences and reflective discussion of embodied orientation in clinical practice.

#### Workshop 4: Abiding in Community: A Model of Community-Based, Spiritually-Informed Trauma Intervention in the Midst of **Individual and Collective Trauma Exposure** EW

#### Jana Pressley, PsyD, Douglas Lomax & Colleen Sharka, LMHC

This workshop will highlight a community intervention model that addresses the chronic and collective impact of community violence and structural oppression as a form of developmental trauma exposure. A non-profit organization led by Rev. Liz Walker of Roxbury Presbyterian Church, the Cory Johnson Program for Post Traumatic Healing was developed after the loss of a young man in the community to homicide, and has committed to the ultimate value of abiding - existing as a long term, relational presence and sacred space for community members to find emotional and spiritual restoration in the midst of distress. This program promotes individual and community healing and empowerment through facilitating relational support, building/enhancing regulation capacity, and providing a context for narrative processing and meaning-making. This includes support groups, sharing of personal narratives, trauma education, support by trained community companions and individual psychotherapy.

# THURSDAY, MAY 31

Choose One Full-Day Workshop

## Workshop 5A\*: Embodied Self-Experience

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\*Due to health reasons, Pat Ogden is unable to present at the conference

#### Workshop 6: De-Cruit: Helping Veterans to Come Home Using Theater



#### Stephan Wolfert, Actor/Writer/Director, MFA

An army veteran, Shakespearean actor and theater director, Stephan Wolfert both wrote & performs the critically acclaimed play Cry Havoc! and created DE-CRUIT, an interdisciplinary program designed to help military veterans overcome the obstacles of transitioning from military service back into their communities. Countering the military's intense indoctrination and training, DE-CRUIT uses routinized techniques derived from principles of classical actor training (e.g., experiential analysis, symbolic representation, spoken verse) to transform military camaraderie into camaraderie among treatment group members to communalize the process of healing from the trauma of war. At its core DE-CRUIT is the process of interweaving personal writings with Veteran-related Shakespeare texts, applying stage skills to life-skills, and of processing of trauma within community.

#### Workshop 7: Using EMDR Across the Lifespan

#### Robert Tinker, PhD, PC

This will be a discussion of research starting at age one and ending with issues related to dying, EMDR can be effective across a wide spectrum of human problems. We will examine how EMDR is used with traumatized children, in phantom limb pain, after motor vehicle accidents and other discrete traumatic experiences, in dissociative clients, and with pain issues, using data from scientific studies, videotaped demonstrations and case histories. We not only have brain pre-and post- neuroimaging studies of EMDR treatment, but also have been able to demonstrate neurobiological shifts during the session itself, making EMDR a form of treatment with a neurobiological shifts within a single session, as well as over time; not only with PTSD, but also in phantom limb pain.

 REGISTRATION
 8:00 - 8:30 AM

 MORNING PROGRAM
 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

 LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)
 12:30 - 2:00 PM

 AFTERNOON PROGRAM
 2:00 - 5:15 PM

# **Faculty**

#### Workshop 8: Utilizing Trauma-Informed Practice as a Foundation for Peace-Building & Development in Humanitarian Settings

Ilya Yacevich, MA, LMFT & Anita Shankar, MPH

The Global Trauma Project is a Kenya-based non-governmental organization that works to reduce the detrimental impacts of war trauma, child abuse, and interpersonal violence in Eastern Africa by strengthening trauma-informed, community-based healing initiatives. In this interactive session, the Global Trauma Project (GTP) will introduce the Trauma-Informed Community Empowerment (TICE) Framework, and share lessons learned from developing a National Trauma-Healing Initiative in South Sudan. The TICE Framework offers a foundation for practitioners in developing/ strengthening trauma-informed supports by targeting 5 core areas impacted by trauma: Safety, Regulation, Connection, Identity and Empowerment, TICE has been culturally contextualized and translated for use in South Sudan and Somalia, and was developed from the "Attachment, Regulation & Competency" (ARC) model, IASC Guidelines for Psycho-Social support, and Body-Based Mindfulness practice.

#### Workshop 9: Frontiers of Applied Neuroscience of Trauma: Neural Correlates of Altered Self-Experience, Agency & Reciprocity

Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD, Sherain Harricharan, PhD, Martin H. Teicher, MD, PhD, Paul A. Frewen, PhD, C.Psych, Wendy D'Andrea, PhD, Stephen W. Porges, PhD, Ainat Rogel, PhD, LICSW, Sebern Fisher, MA, BCN, Matthew Sanford, Janine Thome, PhD, Jacek Kolacz, PhD, Gregory F. Lewis, PhD, Lourdes P. Dale, PhD, & Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD

For several decades, we have understood that trauma changes the brain. Of course, survivors have intuited that all along, but research in the past few years is increasingly able to pinpoint what neuronal tracks are affected by various forms of trauma at different developmental stages. A variety of neuroscience studies from different laboratories now have been able to demonstrate specific alterations in the brain areas related to safety, sense of self, different self-states, issues of physical balance and interoceptive sensations, voice modulation, eye contact, shame, movement, coordination and agency. Being able to scientifically observe those changes in the central nervous system validates and confirms the importance of clinical phenomena whose relevance can easily be overlooked and dismissed. Being able to understand the underlying neurobiology of trauma opens up new (and old, but not widely practiced) methods of treatment. This workshop brings together researchers, clinicians, and neurofeedback practitioners who are evaluating limitations, clinical risks and exploring ways in which we can apply the neuroscience of trauma to clinical practice.

# PLENARY FACULTY SPEAKERS

Margaret E. Blaustein, PhD, director of training, the Trauma Center; Co-author, *Treating Traumatic Stress in Children and Adolescents: How to Foster Resilience Through Attachment, Self-regulation, and Competency.* 

**Judson Brewer, MD, PhD,** chief, Division of Mindfulness Executive Director, Center for Mindfulness; Associate Professor, Medicine and Psychiatry; University of Massachusetts Medical School; Research Affiliate, Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, MIT; author: *The Craving Mind*.

**Sherain Harricharan, PhD,** post-doctoral fellow, Department of Psychiatry, University of Western Ontario, Canada.

**Ruth Lanius, MD, PhD,** professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Western Ontario; co-editor, *The Impact of Early Life Trauma on Health and Disease: The Hidden Epidemic & Healing the Traumatized Self: Consciousness, Neuroscience & Treatment.* 

**Gabor Maté, MD,** adjunct professor, Faculty of Criminology, Simon Fraser University. Vancouver, BC. Has focused on child development, the mind-body unity in health and illness, and the causation and treatment of addictions; author: In the Realm of Hungry Ghosts: Close Encounters with Addiction, and When The Body Says No: Exploring The Stress-Disease Connection. www.drgabormate.com

**Stephen W. Porges, PhD,** distinguished university scientist, Traumatic Stress Research Consortium, Kinsey Institute, Indiana University; author: *The Polyvagal Theory; Neurophysiological Foundations and Emotions, Attachment, Communication, and Self-Regulation*, and *The Pocket Guide to the Polyvagal Theory: The Transformative Power of Feeling Safe.* 

**Matthew Sanford,** yoga teacher, founder, Mind Body Solutions, and a paraplegic for the last 39 years; author: *Waking: A Memoir of Trauma and Transcendence*. He teaches people around the US living with trauma, loss, and disability how to re-inhabit their bodies. www.mindbodysolutions.org

**Bessel A. van der Kolk, MD,** professor of Psychiatry, BUSM; Medical Director, Trauma Center; Past President, ISTSS; author, New York Times Science best seller The Body Keeps the Score: Mind Brain and Body in Healing from Trauma.

**Elizabeth Warner, PsyD,** is the Sensory Motor Arousal Regulation Treatment (SMART) Project Director at the Trauma Center, and has trained in the US, Canada and China.

**Rev. Gloria E. White-Hammond, MD, MDiv,** co-pastor, Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Boston; visiting scholar in medicine and spirituality, Harvard Divinity School; retired pediatrician, South End Community Health Center; cofounder, Do The Write Thing for high-risk adolescent girls, and My Sister's Keeper for women in conflict zones.

# **WORKSHOP FACULTY**

**Michael D. Alpert, MD,** psychiatry resident, Cambridge Health Alliance; Therapy team member, The Trauma Center.

**Frank Guastella Anderson, MD,** supervising psychiatrist, Trauma Center; author: *Internal Family Systems Skills Training Manual: Trauma-Informed Treatment for Anxiety, Depression, PTSD & Substance Abuse.* 

**Lou Bergholz**, founder and managing partner at Edgework Consulting, has spent the last two decades working on creating trauma-sensitive interventions that adapt clinical practice and research to population without access to definitive clinical care, Author of *Vital Connections: Harnessing the Power of Relationship to Impact the Lives of Young People*, and co-author of *Redesigning Youth Sport: Change the Game*.

**Elizabeth Call, PsyD,** psychologist in private practice; therapy team member, MDMA study, the Trauma Center.

**Shannon Clare Carlin, MA,** MDMA Therapy Training Program Manager, psychedelic harm reduction program, & the Zendo Project. Served as co-therapist on Phase 2 trial researching MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for anxiety associated with life-threatening illness.

**Alexandra Cook, PhD,** SMART team member; Senior Supervisor, Trauma Center; author: With the Phoenix Rising and A White Paper: Complex Trauma in Children and Adolescents.

**Lourdes P. Dale, PhD,** associate professor, Department of Psychology University of Hartford.

**Wendy D'Andrea, PhD,** assistant professor of Psychology at The New School for Social Research in New York, NY. Her research focuses on physiological manifestations and consequences of complex trauma.

**David Emerson, E-RYT, TCTSY-F,** director, Trauma Center Yoga Project, yoga instructor; president, Black Lotus Yoga Studio; author: Trauma-Sensitive Yoga in Therapy; co-author: *Overcoming Trauma through Yoga*.

**Sebern Fisher, MA, BCN,** psychotherapist and neurofeedback consultant, Northampton, Mass; author: *Neurofeedback in the Treatment of Developmental Trauma: Calming the Fear- Driven Brain.* 

**Tanya Forneris, PhD,** is the Associate Director of the School of Health and Exercise Sciences at the University of British Columbia Okanagan Campus. Her area of expertise is in the development, implementation and evaluation of community-based positive youth development programming.

**Paul A. Frewen, PhD, C.Psych**, assistant professor, Department of Psychiatry and Psychology, University of Western Ontario; Chair, Traumatic Stress Section, Canadian Psychological Association; author of 45 papers on trauma, affect regulation, mindfulness, dissociation, and the self; co-author: *Healing the Traumatized Self: Consciousness, Neuroscience & Treatment*.

**Francis Guerriero, MA, LICSW,** private practice, Cambridge, MA; Therapy team member, The Trauma Center.

**Katryn Haley-Little, LICSW,** clinical director, My Life My Choice, which provides mentoring services for youth who are victims of commercial sexual exploitation.

**James W. Hopper, PhD,** independent consultant and instructor in Psychology, Cambridge Health Alliance & Harvard Medical School; co-editor, *Mindfulness-Oriented Interventions for Trauma: Integrating Contemplative Practices.* 

**Hilary Hodgdon, PhD,** director of Research Operations for Trauma Center.

**Jacek Kolacz, PhD,** postdoctoral research fellow Traumatic Stress Research Consortium, Kinsey Institute, Indiana University.

**Gregory F. Lewis, PhD,** assistant research scientist, Traumatic Stress Research Consortium, Kinsey Institute, Indiana University.

**Douglas Lomax**, program manager for the Men's Health and Recovery Program at the Boston Public Health Commission; Director of Outreach and Addiction Services: The Cory Johnson Program for Post-Traumatic Healing.

# **Faculty**

## Conference Specifically Designed For:

Social Workers, Counselors, Psychologists, Nurses, Physicians, Addiction Counselors, Marriage & Family Therapists, Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants, Psychiatrists, and other Mental Health Professionals

**Lia Martin, PhD,** associate director of Quality Management for Justice Resource Institute.

**Diana Martinez, MD,** CEO of Necemod (Neuromodulation Center), Mexico. Director of Neurofeedback Clinic at Trauma Center.

**Michael Mithoefer, MD,** clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at the Medical University of South Carolina. In 2009 he has completed the first FDA approved clinical trial of MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for treatment-resistant PTSD and is conducting a second study of MDMA-assisted psychotherapy in military veterans, firefighters and police officers with PTSD.

Adam Pertman, president, CEO and founder of the National Center on Adoption and Permanency, a unique national nonprofit organization that provides research, resources, education, training, consulting and advocacy to improve the lives of children, families and the professionals who serve them. Recipient 2016 Adoption Excellence Award, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Adoption Angel in Adoption award from the U.S. Congressional Coalition on Adoption; the Special Friend of Children Award from the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; the Dave Thomas Center for Adoption Law award.

**Betsy Polatin, MFA, AmSAT, SEP,** faculty, Boston University College of Fine Arts; author: *The Actor's Secret*, which combines the principles of The Alexander Technique, Breathing Coordination, performance training and Somatic Experiencing.

**Andy Pond, MSW, MAT, CEO,** the Justice Resource Institute. JRI provides an array of innovative and evidence-based outpatient mental health services throughout Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut that serve the unique needs of children, adults, and families dealing with a range of emotional, psychological, and behavioral health challenge.

**Jana Pressley, PsyD,** director of education and professional development, The Trauma Center.

Ainat Rogel, PhD, LICSW, senior scientist, Trauma Center Child Neurofeedback study. Former visiting researcher, Ben Gurion University, Beer-Sheva, and Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel.

Maren Rojas, master facilitator at Edgework Consulting has over 20-years of experience as a soccer coach at the university and professional levels. She is an expert in trauma-informed programming and design, and has worked with organizations using sport and recreation for healing from Irag to Rwanda to Newton, CT.

**Richard C. Schwartz, Ph.D.,** founder of the Center for Self-Leadership; faculty Harvard medical school; author: *You Are The* One You've Been Waiting For; Internal Family Systems Therapy; Introduction to the Internal Family Systems Model; The Mosaic Mind and Metaframeworks.

Tara Sagor, CAGS, LMHC, director of Training & Trauma Response for Justice Resource Institute.

Anita Shankar, MPH, is Senior Director at Global Trauma Project, and works on increasing access to relevant mental health resources as a social justice issue. She utilizes the Trauma-Informed Community-Empowerment (TICE) Framework to build the capacity of community leaders and government officials in South Sudan.

Colleen Sharka, LMHC, director of The Cory Johnson Program for Post-Traumatic Healing.

**Licia Sky**, singer/songwriter leads songwriting retreats for self-discovery and embodied voice, guiding awareness experiences that build safety, community and attunement.

**David Sonatore, LCSW, SEP,** co-founded The Equus Effect in 2012, to help military veterans rebuild healthy, authentic relationships through purposeful engagement with horses. Since 2013, they have put over 200 veterans through their program.

**Elya Steinberg, MD,** head of training and co-director of the Centre for Biodynamic Psychotherapy in London, UK. Biodynamic Psychotherapist who integrates Biodynamic psychology, bioenergy, neurofeedback, psychological trauma work, martial arts and integrative medicine.

**Anne St. Goar, MD,** primary care physician at HVMA, emeritus, Certified Psychedelic Therapist; Boston MDMA Therapy team member with the Trauma Center.

Alice Stone, documentary movie maker and editor. Worked for PBS's NOVA and the Discovery Channel's "She Lives to Ride". Her documentary "Ride" showcases five women motorcyclists who slash stereotypes as they burn rubber. Co-creator of Central American stories, about the aftermath of the civil wars in Guatemala and El Salvador.

**Jane Strong, SEP,** co-founded The Equus Effect in 2012, to help military veterans rebuild healthy, authentic relationships through purposeful engagement with horses. Since 2013, they have put over 200 veterans through their program.

Martin H. Teicher, MD, PhD, associate professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School; Director of the Developmental Biopsychiatry Research Program and Laboratory of Developmental Psychopharmacology at McLean Hospital. His research studies range from inquiries into the molecular mechanisms of brain development to brain-imaging studies of the effects of childhood maltreatment on brain development.

**Robert Tinker, PhD, PC,** has specialized in EMDR for 26 years in areas of writing, research, consultation, training and clinical practice; author: *Through the Eyes of a Child: EMDR with Children*.

**Janine Thome, PhD,** post-doctoral student; University of Western Ontario Dept. of Psychiatry.

**Susan Walker, MD,** instructor in Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School. Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, Cambridge Health Alliance. MDMA Therapy Team Member, the Trauma Center.

Stephan Wolfert, Actor/Writer/Director, MFA, executive director, De-Recruit. Founding artistic director of Shakespeare & Veterans and the Veterans Center for the Performing Arts. Company member, Bedlam Theater, NYC. Combining his own personal story of leaving the army with Shakespeare's writings on war, he created Cry Havoc! which he has performed around the world to critical acclaim.

**Phil Wolfson, MD,** is the creator of a new psychotherapy modality based on use of the medicine ketamine—Ketamine Assisted Psychotherapy. He is the author of The Ketamine Papers and Noe — A Father/Son Song of Love, Life, Illness and Death. He has been the Principal Investigator of the recently completed MAPS.org study of MDMA treatment for individuals with a life-threatening illness.

Ilya Yacevich, MA, LMFT, is founding director of the Global Trauma Project (GTP) and developer of the "Trauma-Informed Community Empowerment" (TICE) framework. She is an Ashoka Fellow, working on strengthening trauma-informed systems in Eastern Africa.

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