

CALL FOR ONE AND THREE QUARTER HOUR WORKSHOP PRESENTATION PROPOSALS

11th Annual International Energy Psychology Conference

“Intention, Transformation and Change”

Main Conference: Thursday evening May 28, to Sunday afternoon, May 31, 2009

Pre- Conference Workshops: Thursday, May 28, 2009

Post Conference Certification Course: Monday, June 1 to Wednesday, June 3, 2009

FLORIDA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER At The Florida Mall

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Potential speakers are invited to submit proposals to present **1.75-hour (105 minutes)** workshops (*note change from previous years*) at the 11th Annual International Energy Psychology Conference being conducted at the Florida Hotel & Conference Center in Orlando, Florida from May 28-31, 2009. There is room for a maximum of 48 breakout sessions organized in eight tracks over the course of the three –day conference.

The proposal submission period begins August 5, 2008. Proposals must be submitted no later than **Tuesday, September 30, 2008.** There will be no extensions to this deadline.

BE SURE TO READ THE “CHANGES FOR 2009” SECTION

In addition to many of the outstanding presenters from previous conferences, we are expanding our roster of faculty by inviting new talent, influential in fields related to international energy psychology. This conference continues to provide an unparalleled chance to network, build connections and share your discoveries, innovations and wisdom with colleagues from around the world.

Conference Goals:

To more fully define, establish and promote the evolving discipline of energy psychology through theory, application, innovation, ethical use, and research.

To keep participants at the forefront of the latest developments in energy psychology, including the theory and research basis for the discipline of energy psychology.

To deepen participants’ understanding of energy psychology as a developing complementary modality within the mind/body interaction framework.

To explore specific means of addressing emotional/psychological distress, as well as peak functioning, by using a range of energy-oriented approaches.

To continue the conference's tradition of meeting these goals in an atmosphere of collegiality, collaboration, compassion, and fun.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Each proposal must directly relate to the field of energy psychology and will be selected by ACEP's Education Committee. Proposals will be selected on the following basis:

- Relevance to the goals of the conference.
- Relevance to a multidisciplinary audience.
- Relevance to an international audience.
- Originality and innovation, including the use of panel discussions.
- Completeness of the proposal application.
- Organization and clarity.
- Appropriateness for the skill-level indicated.
- Membership participation in ACEP. Preference is given to ACEP members.
- Proposals that reflect new material

Important Information:

All breakout sessions are 1.75 hours (105 minutes) in length and MUST directly relate to the field of energy psychology.

All presentations must reflect the original work of the speakers. A letter must accompany any presentations reflecting someone else's work (*other than by short reference*) from the originator of the work authorizing the presentation of material at this conference.

All proposals must be submitted electronically via www.acep-proposals.com.

New presenters may be required to submit two letters of reference attesting to their ability to present.

Prior to drafting a proposal, writers are strongly urged to visit the ACEP website www.energypsych.org and download an article written by David Gruder, PhD on drafting successful proposals. To be in compliance with continuing education licensing boards, it is also critical to download and read the article written by Dr. Gruder, titled "What We Have Learned from MCEP." ACEP is a nationally approved continuing education provider in the USA for ASWB, NBCC, NAADAC, and NCCAOM, and in California for BSS & BRN.

ONE AND A THREE QUARTER HOUR WORKSHOP PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposals are invited on a wide range of topics that address one or more of the stated conference goals. Our overall goal is to more fully define, establish and promote the evolving discipline of energy psychology through theory, application, innovation, ethical use, and research.

Workshop Tracks: *(See below for more detail.)*

- Fundamentals of EP,
- Specific Populations,
- Specific Approaches,
- Integrated Approaches to Energy Psychology,
- Spirituality/Consciousness,
- Developing the Practitioner,
- Developing the Business of Your Practice, and
- Energy Psychology Through the Life Cycle.

ITEM I. COVER PAGE

Presentation Title: Description that is engaging, and as brief as possible.

Audience Skill Level Pre-requisite: beginner, intermediate, advanced, or all levels.

Presentation Methods: Lecture (didactic), demonstration, case study, group interaction, discussion, experiential, video, etc.

Audio-visual Requests: An LCD projector, a flip chart and one microphone per presenter are standard, with further options of stools and an extra microphone for demonstrations. Please specify beyond this, knowing that presenters are required to foot the cost of any additional AV requests beyond those mentioned.

Presenter(s) Biographical Summaries: Each author's full name, title, academic degree (please use only your highest credential and ACEP Certification if applicable), professional licenses, certifications, and affiliation; in addition, please indicate whether or not each presenter is an ACEP member. The length of biographical summaries for each presenter is 45 words maximum for the marketing brochure, and 150 words maximum for the conference program manual.

Contact Information: Email, complete mailing address, daytime and evening telephone numbers, fax number, and any website information for each presenter. Please indicate which person is the primary contact.

ITEM II. NARRATIVE AND OUTLINE OF PRESENTATION

Publicity Description: Provide a concise and engaging 45-word description of the session (subject to editing) as it would appear in brochure if selected.

Abstract: Provide a dry, professionally worded technical description of your workshop, to be used for CE documentation purposes only, NOT for publicity.

Introduction: State the purpose and rationale for the presentation. This is a nutshell summary of what will be presented and how this is relevant to one or more of the conference goals.

Objectives: State two or three objectives in measurable, behavioral terms for continuing education purposes. (*Example: "Upon completion of this session the participant will be able to: 1) Name three aspects of the human electromagnetic system; etc."*) Please note, these must be behavioral objectives with measurable outcomes (*Terms such as "understand", "be familiar with", "learn", and "appreciate" are NOT measurable objectives.*)

Presentation Content Outline: An outline is a Roman numeral or bulleted skeleton of what will be covered and how much time is planned to present each section. (*Example: I. Define Energy Psychology; II. Identifying Psychological Reversals; II A. Global Reversals, etc. –35 minute increments*) Total time should add up to 1.75 hours (105 minutes).

Evaluation: Develop one question related to each objective that can be used to test what the learners have achieved. (*Example: "Three aspects of the human electromagnetic system are 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____."*)

Bibliography: Relevant books or articles that pertain to this presentation, in format of Turabian's "A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations" or related American Psychological Association format.

ITEM III. RESUMES OR CV & PHOTO (*THIS IS NEW THIS YEAR*)

Submit a complete resume or curriculum vitae in word document format as well as a headshot photo in jpeg format for each speaker. Please submit a new resume or vita even if you are a returning presenter. Please submit these separate electronic documents to education_director@energypsych.org.

ONLINE SUBMISSION INFORMATION

The official website www.ACEP-proposals.com begins accepting submissions August 5, 2008.

The deadline for submitting proposals is **Tuesday, September 30, 2008**. Once a proposal is submitted, the primary speaker will receive an e-mail acknowledgement; if no confirmation is received within 48 hours, please contact education_director@energypsych.org.

Even though you are electronically submitting your proposal, please make both printed and digital copies and retain them for safekeeping.

Also, for your reference, please download and print a copy of this call for proposals with clarifying information. Presenters must have an e-mail address to facilitate the proposal process and all conference related communications. Accepted proposals will be confirmed by email.

BENEFITS OF PRESENTING AT CONFERENCE

Presenters' names and description of their work are circulated to thousands worldwide.
Presenters are honored guests at a special faculty welcome reception.
Presenters may sell their books at the ACEP professionally run conference bookstore.
Presenters will receive a complimentary professional audiotape of their presentations.
The most popular and highly rated conference presenters will be considered for invitations to facilitate future pre-conference seminars.
Most importantly, presenters share their knowledge with a highly skilled, influential group and play a significant part in the advancement of the dynamic, expanding field of energy psychology.

Speakers may also bring brochures or other announcements of their own workshops or other products to display at the back of the room during breakout sessions. Many previous presenters have successfully marketed enrollment in their training programs through conference contacts. Although presenters are not allowed to sell products or training courses during sessions to be in compliance with our CE providerships, ACEP is happy to support this in other professionally appropriate ways.

ACEP is recognized by the US Internal Revenue Service as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and publicly supported foundation (Tax ID 33-0832999). Proceeds from the annual international energy psychology conference help to underwrite ACEP's program initiatives such as:

- Supporting much-needed empirical research.
- Providing humanitarian aid to alleviate suffering in the world through energy psychology training and/or therapy gratis or at low cost.
- Maintaining a website with educational and program resources.
- Expanding continuing education opportunities.
- Promoting professional credibility through developing and raising standards for the practice of energy psychology methods.
- Educating licensing bodies about the responsible uses of energy psychology modalities.

In this context, it is important to be aware that conference workshop presenters do not receive an honorarium.

The Association for Comprehensive Energy Psychology (ACEP), which was founded in 1998, is an international non-profit organization that promotes collaboration among energy psychology practitioners and researchers, and enhances this field's credibility with consumers and professionals. Energy psychology is a rapidly developing field within mind/body psychology that explicitly, directly and methodically treats the human vibrational matrix. This matrix includes the biofield that envelops the body, the energy centers (chakras), and the energy pathways (meridians and related acupoints) as well as a number of other interrelated energy systems. Energy psychology treatments are increasingly used to alleviate psycho-spiritual or mind-body distress, and promote high-level psycho-spiritual or mind-body functioning.

Thank you for choosing to be at the forefront of the expanding field of energy psychology by participating in this 11th Annual International Energy Psychology Conference and by choosing to be a member of ACEP. Please encourage your colleagues to attend the conference and support ACEP's programs.

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CHANGES FOR 2009

VERY IMPORTANT -PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The 2009 conference will be organized into 8 tracks of 6 workshops each (2 per day). The descriptions of the tracks are below. On the form on the web site you will be asked to categorize your workshop according to the new track system. We realize that many proposals will be appropriate for more than one track, so you are free to select up to three tracks for which your proposal is relevant. Please be aware that except for the basic track we are assuming that the other tracks are at the intermediate to advanced levels.

VERY IMPORTANT- READ THIS: Please note that with the exception of the basic track, we are looking for new material. If you have presented the same material twice in the past two years, we ask that you submit a different proposal. (*Obviously, if you present on TAT or EFT, you can still present on those subjects... just find a different aspect to present on. The goal here is to advance the field.*) It is unlikely that we will choose proposals that have been presented twice in the past, except for the basic track.

Designated Tracks:

...Some of you reading this are going to be thinking, “*but my workshop fits into more than one of these tracks. Or I can't decide which track to put it in.*” Remember reality is only a construct. That is why you can pick as many as three tracks to check off. So do not get too tense about it. Assume the TAT position and take a breath until you are relaxed. It will all work out.

I. Fundamentals of Energy Psychology: This track provides basic training in the principles and practice of EP (*Same as in previous years*).

II. Specific Populations: This track focuses on specific types of problems (*Examples: Pain, Trauma, Installing Positive Beliefs, Using Energy Psychology in Business Settings*) but not necessarily one energy-specific approach. This track will be used more for proposals that use more than one energetic approach.

III. Specific Approaches: Focuses on the theory or application of specific EP approaches. This track would be picked for a workshop that focuses only on one approach. (*Examples: EFT for Anxiety Reduction, TFT for Trauma, Seemorg Matrix for OCD, Using AFT to Work with Oppositional Defiance*).

IV. Integrated Approaches to Energy Psychology: Integrates different EP approaches with each other as well as other therapeutic approaches (*Examples: EP and EMDR, EP and Hypnosis, Strategies to Integrate EFT with TAT*). Research based workshops now belong in this track. We are very interested in research results, or ideas about research or how research fits with clinical practice.

NB: In the past we have stated that all workshops MUST relate to energy psychology. This year there will be some flexibility in the following 3 tracks. The goal is to create some cross-fertilization of fields. Only a few workshops will be allowed in this area. Presenters must link the main issue being discussed back to energy psychology in some manner. (The better you do it, the better the chances of being accepted).

V. Spirituality/Consciousness: Centers less around energy psychology specific technique and more around general principles of the energetic role consciousness and spiritual practice. Workshops on meditative practices would also belong in this track. (*For instance, a workshop on the practice of Buddhist meditation practice of Tonglen is a workshop that we would welcome.*) It would be helpful for such a workshop to spend some time discussing how an energy psychology practitioner could integrate this technique into his or her practice.)

VI. Developing the Practitioner: This track focuses on developing the self of the therapist/healer. Workshops on ethics, boundaries, and intuition, sharpening general clinical skills, developing the person of the therapist belong here.

VII. Developing the Business of Your Practice. The emphasis here is on providing tools to developing the business and practice of energy practitioners. Ideas for workshops in this track might include: how to market yourself, how to use the net, overcoming blocks to abundance and success, writing articles on EP, EP coaching for business, networking with people, or how to market EP to doctors, psychologists, lawyers and candlestick makers.

VIII. Energy Psychology Through the Life Cycle: This is a new track this year. We are actively looking for proposals that deal with EP & Geriatrics, and EP & Death and Dying. This track will also cover children and adolescents, childbirth, family and marriage issues, transitions, coping with illness and other issues through the life cycle.