ASPEN PSYCHEDELIC SYMPOSIUM

WHEELER OPERA HOUSE

320 EAST HYMAN AVENUE, ASPEN, COLORADO 81611

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023 12PM - 7PM

\$28 GENERAL ADMISSION

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JOIN KEYNOTE SPEAKER DENNIS MCKENNA, EMCEE ZACH LEARY, AND OVER A DOZEN EXPERTS IN PSYCHEDELICS ON A DEEP DIVE INTO THE TRADITION, SCIENCE, AND ADVOCACY BEHIND INTEGRATING THESE LIFE-SAVING MEDICINES INTO MODERN CULTURE.

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Schedule Overview

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12 PM	Introduction by Zach Leary PANEL 1 What is Healing? What is Ceremony?
1:00 PM	Resource Exploration
1:30 PM	PANEL 2 Mental Health Breakthroughs
2:30 PM	Resource Exploration
3:00 PM	PANEL 3 The Neuroscience of Psychedelics
4:00 PM	Resource Exploration
4:30 PM	PANEL 4 Where Do We Go from Here?
5:30 PM	Resource Exploration
6:00 PM	Keynote Address by Dennis McKenna "Speculations on the Antiquity of Human Consciousnes"
7:00 PM	Here House After Party LOCATION: Here House 614 E COOPER AVE, ASPEN, CO 81611
SATURDAY, JUNE 3	
11:00 AM	Psychedelic Community Brunch LOCATION: Here House 614 E COOPER AVE, ASPEN, CO 81611
12:30 PM	Book Signing and Reading with Dennis McKenna LOCATION: Here House 614 E COOPER AVE, ASPEN, CO 81611

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What is Healing, What is Ceremony?

INRTODUCTION: Emcee Zach Leary welcomes and guides us through to the event's end.

Learn more about the history and contemporary practice of healing through plant-based medicines, exploring cultural and ceremonial use, the nature of healing, human experience and transformation with an overview of psychedelics today.



JAZ CADOCH

MODERATOR

Jaz Cadoch is a cultural and medical anthropologist who has been studying the psychedelic movement since 2016; director of the Global Psychedelic Society, a collection of leaders of psychedelic societies around the world and co-founder of ALKEMI Consulting & Development.



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William Wildcat Coakí, Executive Director, Mother Tree Food & Forest; ethnobotanist; agroecology and ecorestoration researcher, practitioner and educator; Indigenous ecologist psychonaut philosopher with a focus on using psychedelics, nonviolent communication, western and traditional ecological knowledge and modern understanding of anthropogenic landscapes to heal intergenerational trauma.



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VERONICA LIGHTNING HORSE PEREZ

PANELIST

Veronica Lightning Horse Perez, trainer of NLP, TLT, Hypnosis and Life Coaches, Psychedelic Practitioner and Integration Specialist; Founder of Lightning Horse Healing Grounds; and co-Chief Proponent for the Natural Medicine Health Act of 2022 in Colorado.



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REMI OLAJOYEGBE

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Remi Olajoyegbe, London-based coach to c-suite leaders, social entrepreneur, named one of the Top 100 Women in European Finance; selected in 2014 to be part of BBC's BAME (Black & Asian Minority Ethnic) Expert Voices; co-founder of Medicine Festival, launched in 2020; a Trustee of BOA Foundation and on the Advisory Board Member of Woven Science, her work includes integration coaching.

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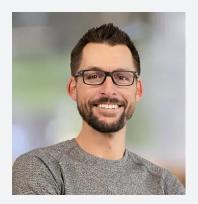
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Mental Health Breakthroughs

For those struggling to heal from depression, anxiety or substance use disorder, psilocybin – and other psychedelic-assisted therapies – can offer hope



BRANDON BURNS

MODERATOR

Brandon Burns is CEO/Owner of Peaks Recovery Centers, a comprehensive dual diagnosis drug & alcohol addiction treatment center, who sees the behavioral healthcare industry as fraught with fragmentation, lacking a unified approach to treating SUD and MH, and has moved to challenge industry wide narratives in support of patient care and outcomes, including his passion and support for the Natural Medicine Health Act and the innovative potential for plant based medicines within behavioral healthcare settings.





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KEVIN FRANCIOTTI

PANFLIST

Kevin Franciotti, MA, a Colorado-based writer, therapist, advisor & thought leader in the fields of psychology, psychedelics & substance abuse counseling. He is a Licensed Addiction Counselor and the founder of Psychedelics in Recovery, a 12-step based program for individuals using plant medicines in their recovery process.



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MEG RICHMOND

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Meg Richmond, a Celtic medicine woman, Ayahuasca church founder, and policy reform advocate; pioneering a nationally viable model for the protected use of plants as sacraments; co-founder of The HeartQuarters organization in Denver, Colorado, pioneering a hybrid profit/nonprofit model for community centers which facilitate the use of entheogens under the constitutionally protected liberties of the Religious Freedoms and Restorations Act.

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Matthew X. Lowe, PhD, Director of Research for Realm of Caring, a non-profit cannabis research organization; Executive Director & Chief Scientific Officer for Unlimited Sciences, a psychedelics research non-profit.

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The Neuroscience of Psychedelics

In addition to the treatments for mental health conditions, researchers have been exploring the neurobiological mechanisms of psychedelic drugs, the resulting changes in brain activity, and what treating chronic pain with psychedelics looks like.



NICOLE FOERSTER

MODERATOR

Nicole Foerster (moderator), co-proponent of Initiative 61 and founder of Decriminalize Nature Boulder County; advocate for psilocybin mushrooms as a treatment for cluster headaches; a mental health professional, and a proponent for the full decriminalization of entheogenic plants and fungi.



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COURT WING

PANFLIST

Court Wing, founder and CEO of REMAP Therapeutics, dedicated to exploring, innovating and developing the intersection between psychedelics and chronic pain with significant experience in injury recovery, applied neurophysiology, neuromuscular rehabilitation, performance training, and psychedelics; study participant in NYU's clinical trial of "Psilocybin for Major Depressive Disorder" (March 2020)



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DR. DAVE RABIN MD. PHD

PANELIST

Dr. Dave Rabin MD, PhD, a board-certified psychiatrist, neuroscientist, entrepreneur and inventor, who is the co-founder & chief innovation officer at Apollo Neuroscience, focusing on plant and natural medicines and medicine-assisted psychotherapy, specializing in treatment-resistant mental illnesses including depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress disorder.



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SCOTT THOMPSON, PHD

Scott Thompson, PhD, Professor and Director of the Center for Novel Therapeutics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry, his research is focused on understanding brain plasticity and how psychedelic compounds engage these processes to exert their antidepressant actions.





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Where Do We Go from Here?

There are so many questions to explore around what access might look like in the years ahead, why harm reduction efforts are an important next step, and how the conversation should continue.



ZACH LEARY

MODERATOR

Host of the MAPS podcasts; writer, futurist, spiritualist, wellness facilitator, integration coach and socio-cultural theorist; son of psychologist author and champion of psychedelic counterculture, Tim Leary, Zach studied under Ram Dass, giving him a front-row seat to the most important cultural movements of the late 20th century.





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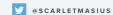
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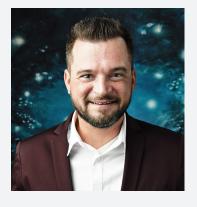
Scarlet Masius, Head of Community at Tactogen; formerly ran a creative consultancy called Liminalia, working with MAPS, Esalen, Omidyar Network and other orgs to build creative and participatory communities; former Executive Director of the Safety Net Fund, which financially supported 1,200 artists impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; and trained psychedelic peer support facilitator, working to create systemic change for global healing through the stewardship of public education initiatives, harm reduction, and community organizing.







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KEVIN MATTHEWS

PANELIST

Kevin Matthews, a Denver native and leading advocate for liberating access to psychedelic plant and fungi medicine nationwide; co-Designated Representative of the Natural Medicine Health Act of 2022; Coalition Director for Natural Medicine Colorado; and President of the Denver Psilocybin Mushroom Policy Review Panel.



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NATASIA POINSATTE

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Natasia Poinsatte, Director of Healing Advocacy Fund in Colorado, a non-profit working to support safe, equitable access to psychedelic therapies and research director at RBI Strategies and Research where she supported the passage of the Natural Medicine Health Act.

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Keynote Address by Dennis Mckenna

"Speculations on the Antiquity of Human Consciousness"

Examining the most ancient examples of human consciousness.



DENNIS MCKENNA

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dennis has conducted research in ethnopharmacology for over 40 years. He is a founding board member of the Heffter Research Institute and was a key investigator on the Hoasca Project, the first biomedical investigation of ayahuasca. Mckenna is the younger brother of Terence McKenna, who spent thirty years advocating for the investigation of psychedelics for the exploration of consciousness. From 2001 to 2017, Dennis Mckenna taught courses on Ethnopharmacology and Plants in Human Affairs as an adjunct Assistant Professor in the Center for Spirituality and Healing at the University of Minnesota. In 2019, he collaborated to start The McKenna Academy of Natural Philosophy, a non-profit for intellectual inquiry, psychedelic education, philosophical discourse, and expanding our understanding of humanity's place in Nature and the Cosmos.

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The After Party

LOCATION: Here House | 614 E Cooper Ave, Aspen, CO | Sliding Scale Tickets

Presented by HeartQuarters. Funded by FunG Extracts & Isolates.

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Tickets at door: Sliding Scale \$15-\$75

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Psychedelic Community Brunch

LOCATION: Here House | 614 E Cooper Ave, Aspen, CO

Come together with your fellow symposium attendees and enjoy a hearty brunch.

Presented by Aspen Psychedelic Resource Center.

BOOK SIGNING | 12PM, SATURDAY, JUNE 3

Book Signing and Reading with Dennis McKenna

Keyonte speaker **Dennis McKenna** will read an excerpt from his book *Brotherhood of the Screaming Abyss: My Life with Terence McKenna*. Copies available for purchase.

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