

2012 RETREAT FACILITATORS

Retreats are designed and facilitated by highly qualified teams of individuals with real world expertise in a variety of professional fields, and long practicing Raja Yoga Meditation Teachers as spiritual resources.

Shvetank Agarwal, MD, is a Cardiac Anesthesiology Fellow, Hershey Medical Center, Pennsylvania.

Paul Aherne is a Pilates Instructor and Therapist in Connecticut and spends his weekends assisting at Peace Village.

Elizabeth Aivars is a Public Interest Lawyer for 26 years and a Litigator for 17 years.

Sandra Budge, CMA, is a Certified Management Accountant, and a Raja Yoga Meditation teacher at Peace Village.

Rita Cleary is founder of The Learning Circle and The Visions of a Better World Foundation. She co-coordinates the Learning Center for Peace in Boston.

Sudha Dave, Project Manager, NYC Department of Design and Construction, works in the field of sustainable design.

Carol Davis, DPT, EdD, is Professor Emerita and immediate past Vice Chair of the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine in Florida.

Kamla Etwaroo is a Raja Yoga Meditation teacher based at Global Harmony House in Long Island.

Margo Mullein and Andi Fergon - Margo is a certified Herbalist, a local Bio-dynamic farm educator, and Director of a children's theater company. Andi is a Building Contractor / Tradesperson. They have four children.

Mary Friedland is a Certified Instructor of Iyengar Yoga. She coordinates the Brahma Kumaris activities in Chicago.

Johanne Frigon is in customer service at the government level and Assistant Coordinator at the Brahma Kumaris center in Montreal.

Julien Gagnon is the founder of a yoga school, where he enjoys sharing his experience of spirituality.



Carol Gill is a corporate training and development professional who creates workshops in which spiritual principles are applied to worldly situations.

Saurabh Gupta is a PhD student in Mechanical Engineering.

Kevin Helms is a freelance Writer whose work in the field of advertising has been internationally recognized. He has also edited numerous textbooks.

Merrilyn Hener, MSPT, is a Physical Therapist specializing in Integrative Manual Therapy and is a certified Reiki practitioner.

Colette Higgs hales from the Bahamas and has been the main Groundskeeper at Peace Village since 1999.

Kristina Hoefel coordinates the Brahma Kumaris activities in Ohio.

Kala Iyengar, MD, is a Board Certified Pediatrician, a spiritual teacher for over 30 years, and the Director of Peace Village.

Tyrone Jackson is Assistant Director of Recreation Therapy and Spiritual Advisor for the Grief & Loss team at Cedar Crest Rehabilitation Center in Rhode Island.

Sandhya Kanthan has a Masters Degree in Mathematics and is a Principal Analyst with a Contract Research Organization.

Kanu Kogod co-designed and facilitates Leadership Alchemy, an award-winning transformational leadership program. Kanu coaches and develops leaders.

Indra Lal has a degree in Computer Programming, and is a Raja Yoga Meditation teacher.

Erik Larson has a degree in Civil Engineering and is a technical consultant.

Anne-Christelle Le Hir is a freelance French Copywriter. She is currently completing a care practice training in energetic healing.

Nalishha Mehta works for a Washington, DC-based non-profit organization. She also serves as a youth representative for the Brahma Kumaris at the United Nations.

Irene Miller is a Psychologist specializing in personal empowerment issues, leadership development, and conflict resolution.

Jenna Maraj is Director of the Brahma Kumaris in Washington, DC. She has traveled internationally to promote positive awareness and change.



Oliver Olivieri operates his own renovation business in Toronto.

Carmen Palmer, RN, has a special interest in empowering women and health-care professionals. She is Program Coordinator for the Point of Life Foundation.

Aarti Pappu is a Physician Assistant at Albany Medical Center in New York.

Madhavi Patale is a Raja Yoga Meditation teacher in Queens, New York. She also organizes outreach events for youth and young leaders to spiritually empower them.

Champa Patel has a degree in Microbiology. Based at Peace Village, she also teaches Raja Yoga Meditation in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Rena Patel is an information technology professional in New Jersey.

Celina Pereira, MD, Adolescent Medicine, South County Hospital; also Staff Physician, University of Rhode Island Health Services.

Susan Pollock has many years experience in advertising sales, and exhibition and event planning.

Vijay Ramdhan is an administrator. Her interest in working with people led her to work with all levels of society.

Jean Ramnauth is an educator by profession and a Raja Yoga Meditation teacher at Global Harmony House in Long Island.

Judi Rich is a Graphic Designer in the field of communications.

Tanya Rich currently enjoys exploring spirituality as a mind-body Movement Specialist, following a career in live theater.

Judy Rodgers is a Communications Strategist and Writer whose projects strengthen the role of media as a constructive force.

Porie Saikia-Eapen, AIA, FCIQB, VP and NYC Area Manager, CH2M Hill, is an internationally recognized speaker on sustainability, urban design, and resource development.

Kat Satterley promotes the integration of yoga, self-defense, and meditation into physical education. She is Master Educator for Physical Education in Washington, DC.

Mahadeo Shivraj is a professional actor in New York.



Ram Singal, PE, is a spiritual teacher and, also, a consulting Engineer with diversified experience in design, construction, and infrastructure management.

Surekha Chendrah and **Raj Sookha** are Raja Yoga Meditation students and teachers in Toronto, Canada. Surekha works on Brahma Kumaris projects internationally. Raj works in information technology.

Dorothy Steinfeld is Program Director of Peace Village. From the field of education, Dorothy became a successful business entrepreneur.

Sudarshan Sundar is a Software Engineer at Microsoft. He also conducts workshops on Self-Empowerment, Positive Thinking, and Raja Yoga Meditation.

Kathleen Thompson, RN, is Assistant Director of Nursing for Psychiatric Services at Runnell's Specialized Hospital in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey.

Diane Tillman is a Licensed Educational Psychologist and the primary author of the Living Values Education books. She lectures internationally.

Vheena Vanier is a nurse by profession. As a long-time meditation teacher, she creates and facilitates workshops at Peace Village.

Juan Vazquez, ND, Natural Doctor (Homeopath), is a student at the Montreal Institute of Classical Homeopathy. Juan is also part of the Brahma Kumaris Green Team.

Joan Vitello, PhD, RN, is Associate Chief Nurse at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts.

Marianne Weiss has a Masters Degree in Clinical Social Work and has worked in the field of children and family therapy as a Clinical Therapist.

Ed Wondolowski is Professor Emeritus of Management and is a Director of Living Values Educational Program, Inc.

Harvey Zarren, MD, Cardiologist, Director of Healing Connection and Healing Your Heart Program, NSMC/Union Hospital, Lynn, Massachusetts, and President of the Board of Integrative Medicine Alliance.

Iris and Zvika Zur are Raja Yoga Meditation students and teachers in Boston, Massachusetts. They are the parents of twin boys. Iris is a Psychologist and Zvika is a Software Engineer.

