

2021 Tutor and Presenter Biographies

Anita Garrod (UK)

Anita has been steeped in Spiritualism throughout her lifetime and had the privilege from a very young age to witness some of the finest mediums demonstrating all forms of mediumship at the height of their powers. Her own journey has focused on assisting others to develop their own gifts of the Spirit; whilst doing so, her own mediumship developed, largely unnoticed and unpracticed, and demonstrated only when called upon to do so by Spirit. Her personal experiences have provided a wealth of knowledge on mediumship which she is delighted to share. It is, however, the philosophy which underpins mediumship which is the cornerstone of her life. She has led development groups in physical phenomena and taught all forms of mediumship, and is particularly interested in the link between energy, the development of science, and an understanding of mediumship in that context, as well as from a spiritual and philosophical perspective.

Ann Robson (UK)

Ann Robson is a Minister of the S.N.U, as well as having been a Spiritualist for over 50 years and a S.N.U. Church President for over 30 years. She has demonstrated in many churches around the north of England and occasionally for The I.S.F. In recent years Ann has worked mostly in her home Church where she also teaches in the Lyceum. Aside from tutoring for the I.S.F, she has been the Membership Secretary for the I.S.F for a number of years and is an SNU approved healer.

Coral Ryder (UK)

Coral Ryder is a British Medium, Spirit Portrait and Psychic Artist. In 2012 she had the honour of being the first person to gain a Certificate of Recognition (CSNU) from the Spiritualist National Union in demonstrating Spirit Art. In 2015 she was featured in the book Spirit Paintings and Art from the Afterlife. She serves Churches and Centers in the UK and abroad demonstrating her art and running development workshops on Mediumship, Spirit and Psychic Art; helping others to explore their mediumship through art and discover the hidden artist within.

Hampi van de Velde (CH)

Hampi van de Velde works as a healing medium, spiritual teacher, speaker, author and family man. On the subject of Trance Healing he published in 2014 in the German-speaking world the books: "Your Entry into the Supernatural" and 2015 "Your development in the supernatural" His latest book on Intuitive Trance Healing & Trance Mediality was published in spring 2019. Since 2008 Hampi has been teaching Intuitive Trance Healing "Made in Switzerland". A mixture of the well-known English Trance Healing and own techniques and experiences. He founded 2016 the center "SPIRIT BALANCE trance healing & more" in Sarnen, Switzerland. His specially developed course how to become a modern „healing medium“ is unique.

Harriet Piekkola (FI)

Harriet is a psychic and a medial resource Trainer ®. She has worked as a helper and trainer for people for about 18 years. She has also been the chairman of the Finnish Spiritualist Society for six years. She always took interest in people before she trained as a psychic. She owned a health food store which was part of the beginning of her spiritual path. As an author, she wrote a book on Jutta Gustafsberg with "On the Mind", which gently directs insights on the rise, through her life experiences. Life is rich when you can face spiritual people around the world, grow and become more and more insightful. This allows us to work together with the spiritual helpers.

Hazel Martin (UK)

Hazel Martin has been a working medium for 17 years and enjoys working across Spiritualist churches in the United Kingdom. She has been teaching mediumship for 10 years and has launched

many mediums to public work. She has been very much looking forward to teaching here at the ISF week. She is focused on providing specific evidence in her spirit messages and believes that each message should provide absolute proof of continual life and also to bring the recipient peace and healing.

Jackie Wright (UK)

Jackie is from the North East of England. And has a passion for serving the Spirit world in whatever capacity they desire, be it teaching, demonstrating or private sittings. Jackie inherited her mediumistic ability from her Paternal Grandmother who had died long before Jackie was born. Jackie's home is in the industrial town of Middlesbrough but she has been fortunate to share her mediumship all over the UK and the World. Jackie's Philosophy has always been; 'Retain your individuality, your uniqueness, because that is why the Spirit world has chosen you.' Jackie encourages the student to search for themselves and become their own authority within their development, not to believe it because the teacher says so. Jackie is not interested in developing clones, but instead wants the student to explore their own unique relationship with those in the world of Spirit. Jackie is a course organiser and tutor at the world -renowned Arthur Findlay College, in Stansted, Essex.

Kristbjorg Einarsdottir (IS)

Kristbjorg Einarsdottir is Icelandic and when she was nominated for the ISF committee she had just retired after 40 years of teaching. She closed one door of her life and opened another. She attended Her very first ISF event in 2003. In 2004 she became a life member. Since then she has attended nearly all events and has been on the Executive Committee since 2010. Along with teaching through her adult life she has worked as a qualified Healer in Iceland. She has some degrees in Reiki, Hypnosis, Spiritual Healing and Advanced courses of Theta Healing with teaching certifications. Along with that she has been active in the Spiritual Society and a member of few in Iceland.

Lou Ann Beecher (USA)

Lou Ann Beecher is a Spiritual Medium and Teacher, Reiki Master Teacher, and Ordained Minister with the Esoteric Interfaith Church. She started her mediumship journey in the 1990s, and has worked with many renowned Spiritualist Mediums over the past 20 years. Lou Ann is the owner of Serenity Guides LLC in Maryland. She teaches psychic, mediumship and healing courses with Chicago Medium Lillian Morales under the name SoulSideOut

Nancy Ryall (USA)

Nancy S. Ryall has been a practicing Spiritualist for 45 years. She carries credentials as an ordained minister and certified medium from the National Spiritualist Association of Churches (NSAC). She is an active member of the International Spiritualist Federation and acts as the editor of their newsletter *Yours Fraternally* and the membership representative for the eastern portion of the United States. She is currently Pastor of JT & EJ Crumbaugh Spiritualist Church in Le Roy, IL and currently runs an online service. Nancy is experienced in many forms of mediumship but has special love for Trance and Physical Mediumship and channels several spirits who share their philosophy regularly. She teaches online and in person workshops on trance, manifestation, meditation, and many other topics.

Richard P. Schoeller (USA)

Richard P. Schoeller is an ordained minister and founding member of Summerland Church of Light, NSAC in Long Island, New York. He has been studying the Science, Philosophy and Religion of Spiritualism since 1997 and holds the credentials of Certified Medium, Commissioned Spiritualist Healer and National Spiritualist Teacher. Aside from being a member of the Lily Dale Assembly, he currently holds the position of Vice President of the International Spiritualist Federation and is a Teacher with the Inner Spiritual Center in Fairfield, New Jersey. Richard has taught classes and demonstrated mediumship both Nationally and Internationally.

Robin Hodson (UK)

Robin Hodson is an English Medium with 36 years experience serving Spiritualist Churches and Centers both in his native Britain as well as America, Canada, Finland, Iceland, Switzerland and Sweden. Robin is the President of the International Spiritualist Federation as well as President of Seafordspirit, an independent Spiritualist centre. In addition to the church and public platform presentations of mediumship, Robin is an experienced tutor in the various forms of mediumship. His main area of interest is trance and physical mediumship, having run physical circles for the past 26 years.

Rosemary Calderalo (USA)

Rosemary Calderalo is an ordained minister through the National Spiritualist Association of Churches, and holds the NSAC credentials of certified medium, commissioned healer and National Spiritualist Teacher. Rosemary has served as General Secretary for the International Spiritualist Federation since 2017. Her focus on healing first brought her to a Spiritualist church in 2006; she has served churches throughout the country and has served internationally as well. Rosemary seeks to bring a sense of the sacred within her work as a medium, offering opportunities for healing, comfort, hope, and for the personal growth that comes from the understanding that love never dies.

Steven J. Vogel (USA)

Steve Vogel synchronistically was led to “coming home” to Spiritualism and shamanism in 1994. He joined the NSAC on March 31, 1996, and the ISF in 2000, when he attended his first teaching week in Austria. He serves as a healer, medium, speaker, and teacher, and is particularly interested in exploring the spiritual aspects of physical matter through psychometry, spoon bending, and table tipping. He also has studied shamanism since 1995 and serves as a shamanic practitioner and teacher, having facilitated ISF groups in Shamanic Journeying since 2003. “Spiritualism and shamanism definitely are the intertwined twin rails of my spiritual path!” In 2006 members first elected Steve to the ISF Executive Committee, where he has served as Minutes Secretary since 2010.

Ulla Alvarsdotter (SE)

Ulla Alvarsdotter is from Sweden and works with personal and spiritual development in different ways. She has her own healing practice called "Beeyond" where she works with hypnosis, sacral cranio therapy, past lives, private sittings with painting, trance healing and Cell Memory Painting. One of her passions is working with colors and spirituality, in order to communicate more directly and in a different way. Ulla also holds courses and workshops in “Inner Space – unlimited power” a platform with personal, mental and spiritual development. She has been a member of the ISF since 2006 and on the Executive Committee for several years.