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There has been nothing more elusive in our human history than peace, although it is the most desired element in human life. Cycles of war and violence seem to repeat with each generation. How can we meet this challenge with vision and hope? It's time for champions of peace—at personal and collective levels—to share their hearts, and share their visions. In this VoiceAmerica Special -- "HUMANITY'S MOMENT OF CHOICE: CHOOSING PEACE"-- from the Evolutionary Leaders Circle, peace champions from activist, arts and media communities, and the policy-making world, gather to confront this challenge!

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Featured Guests



Ben Bowler

Ben is a unity-activist and spiritual entrepreneur, a co-visioner of UNITY EARTH and World Unity Week, and an original co-founder of The Convergence Series on VoiceAmerica. In 2009 he founded Monk for a Month, a cultural and spiritual immersion program in Thailand. This then grew into World Weavers, a social enterprise specializing in authentic spiritual adventures into some of the world's great faith traditions, including in Tibetan India, Nepal, Cambodia and Ethiopia. Dubbed "The Faith Dealer" by Readers Digest in 2013, Ben is a "Social Entrepreneur in Residence" at the prestigious INSEAD Business School and is a blogger for the Huffington Post. Ben and his team launched 1GOD.com in O

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Audrey E. Kitagawa

Audrey E. Kitagawa, J.D., is the President/Founder of the International Academy for Multicultural Cooperation, the President of the Light of Awareness International Spiritual Family, the Chair of the Anti-Racism Initiative and Co-Chair of the Gender Equality Working Group of the G20 Interfaith Forum, and the former Advisor to the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict at the United Nations. She is a United Nations Representative for the United Religions Initiative, an Ambassador of Religions for Peace International, and Chair Emerita of the NGO Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns, A Committee of the Conference of NGOs

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Jonathan Granoff

Jonathan Granoff, President of the Global Security Institute, is an attorney, author, and international advocate emphasizing the legal and ethical dimensions of human development and security, with a specific focus on advancing the rule of law to address international security and the threats posed by nuclear weapons. He serves on numerous governing and advisory boards including: the Nonpartisan Security Group, Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy, Fortune Forum, Jane Goodall Institute, the NGO Committee on Disarmament, Peace and Security, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament, and Middle Powers Initiative. He is the recipient of the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award of

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Jon Ramer

Jon Eliot Ramer is an entrepreneur, civic leader, inventor, and musician. He is a co-founder of several collaborative technology companies including ELF Technologies, Inc. The designer, author, and co-founder of several Deep Social Networks, he launched the International Campaign for Compassionate Cities, that led the effort to make Seattle the first city in the world to affirm Karen Armstrong's Charter for Compassion. As a result, there are over 450 similar Compassionate Community Campaigns around the world. In 2012, Ramer conceived of and produced the "Compassion Games: Survival of the Kindest" in response to a challenge from the mayor of Louisville, Kentucky to other cities to outdo Loui

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Elena Mustakova

Dr. Elena Mustakova is author of the Nautilus Award winning book GLOBAL UNITY HEALING: INTEGRAL SKILLS FOR PERSONAL AND COLLECTIVE TRANSFORMATION. She is well known as a spiritual philosopher, evolutionary psychologist, social scientist, and member of Evolutionary Leaders United Nations Sustainability Development Goals Thought Leaders Circle. She is an expert on the systemic links between individual health, culture, moral development, language, and collective social health. Her scholarship on the evolution of moral consciousness, and her social justice work with communities have received academic recognition. Among her many publications, she is Senior Editor of a comprehensive volume on Tow

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Jude Currivan

Dr. Jude Currivan is a cosmologist, planetary healer, futurist, author and previously one of the most senior business women in the UK. She has journeyed to some eighty countries around the world, has experienced multidimensional realities since early childhood and worked with the wisdom keepers both incarnate and discarnate of many traditions. She integrates leading edge science, research into consciousness and universal wisdom teachings into a wholistic whole-worldview. This underpins her work aimed at enabling transformational and emergent resolutions to our collective planetary issues, raising awareness and empowering fundamental change and sustainable solutions to global problems. She ho

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Dot Maver

Dr. Dot Maver is an educator and peacebuilder whose keynote is inspiring cooperation on behalf of the common good. Dot is co-founder of Global Silent Minute, National Peace Academy USA (NPA), River Phoenix Center for Peacebuilding (RPCP), and Global Alliance for Ministries and Infrastructures of Peace, and is co-author of Conscious Education: The Bridge to Freedom. Dot is a Fellow with the World Business Academy; board member with Lifebridge Foundation, Garden of Light, NPA, RPCP; and serves on the International Cities of Peace Advisory Council, the Inamori International Center for Ethics and Excellence, and One Planet Peace Forum Advisory Boards, and is an advisor to Compassion Games. 2005-

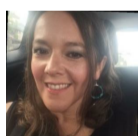
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Irina Morrison

Irina has a deep seeded passion for yoga and runs regular weekly sessions, assisting people from all walks of life to improve their well-being and discover the essence of yoga. Her caring nature and service to her student and community is the true embodiment of yoga; she can easily find the balance between physical and spiritual to give understanding of what it means to be human today and to be human together. Irina is also involved with the work of UNITY EARTH, a global network on a mission to accelerate the realization of unity and peace on Earth. Inspired by the world's wisdom traditions and born out of the desire to meet global-sized challenges with global-sized solutions, UNITY EARTH n

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Becky Suzik

Becky Suzik spent 20+ years in corporate communications and ran her own PR agency for a decade before erupting out of her head and into her heart to re-imagine a new story for media and communications. Her sacred work--in addition to being a mother of three children--is Joyfuel, a mixed-media unforce developing programs and experiences focused on kindness, creativity, and joy. She holds talking circles, playshops and retreats that intertwine personal reflection and narratives with expressive arts towards greater personal awareness, joy and safe expressions of grief. www.joyfuel.org

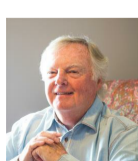
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Deborah Moldow

Co-host Rev. Deborah Moldow joins us a Director of the EVOLUTIONARY LEADERS (EL'S) and a co-editor of their award winning book OUR MOMENT OF CHOICE. She is an ordained interfaith minister committed to assisting in the transformation of human consciousness. She is the founder of the GARDEN OF LIGHT, providing an online platform for the emerging global spirituality so that this community can become visible as a powerful force in uplifting the human spirit. As Director of the EVOLUTIONARY LEADERS CIRCLE, a project of THE SOURCE OF SYNERGY FOUNDATION Deborah brings together visionaries committed to the acceleration of the conscious evolution of humanity. She is also Vision Keeper at UNITY.EARTH

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Robert Atkinson

Co-host Robert Atkinson, PhD, author, educator, and developmental psychologist, is a 2020 Gold Nautilus Book Award winner as co-editor of Our Moment of Choice: Evolutionary Visions and Hope for the Future, and a 2017 Silver Nautilus Book Award winner for The Story of Our Time: From Duality to Interconnectedness to Oneness. He is the author of eight other books including Mystic Journey: Getting to the Heart of Your Soul's Story (2012), and The Gift of Stories (1995). He assisted Babatunde Olatunji with his autobiography, The Beat of My Drum (2005). In 1969, following an M.A. in American Folk Culture from SUNY Cooperstown, he sailed with Pete Seeger on the maiden voyage of the Hudson River Sl

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Kurt Johnson

Dr. Kurt Johnson, your CONVERGENCE host, is a co-editor of the award winning book OUR MOMENT OF CHOICE. Kurt is a noted evolutionary biologist and comparative religionist, co-author of the award winning books THE COMING INTERSPIRITUAL AGE, NABOKOV'S BLUES, and FINE LINES (Brian Boyd Prize winner 2019). A former monk, Kurt is well known as a co-founder of the international Interspiritual Movement. With PhD in evolution and ecology, Kurt was associated with the American Museum of Natural History for 25 years. With a fifteen year association with New York City's One Spirit Interfaith Seminary, Kurt is also an editor of the e-magazines THE CONVERGENCE, LIGHT ON LIGHT, and CONSCIOUS BUSINESS, and

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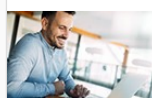
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