

Testimonials

"GRI has been engaged in Gender Reconciliation for 20 years, and its work resonates with two of the Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation's pillars: to advance mutual respect, and to enhance human wellbeing. The work of racial reconciliation will never be completed without the work of gender reconciliation."

~ Rev. Mpho Tutu, Executive Director,
Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation



"I was deeply touched by the exquisite sensitivity, awesome skills, and remarkable creativity. The work of GRI is essential if we truly yearn for global healing and transformation."

~ Imam Jamal Rahman,
Interfaith Community Sanctuary, Seattle, WA

"I wish Gender Reconciliation could be done all over India. Each time I attend, my eyes are opened more and more. This work is crucial for religious communities."

~ Sr. Lucy Kurien,
Founder, Maher interfaith ashram, India



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International & Interfaith Training Team

Training teams for each training module are drawn from the following skilled GRI trainers:

GRI Trainers



William Keepin, PhD & Rev. Cynthia Brix, PhD (hon) are founding directors of Gender Reconciliation International and Satyana Institute in Seattle, USA. Will is a physicist and psychologist with extensive spiritual training East and West. Cynthia is an ordained interfaith minister and former campus minister at Univ. of CO. Will & Cynthia have conducted 90 workshops and trainings on Gender Reconciliation in eight countries. Their books include *Divine Duality: The Power of Reconciliation Between Women and Men*, and *Women Healing Women*. Will's new book is *Belonging to God: Toward a Universal Path of Divine Love*, with a Foreword by Fr. Thomas Keating (Skylight Paths, 2016).



Judy Bekker is Director of Training for GRI in South Africa. She has over 30 years' experience as professional facilitator, specializing in personal and leadership development, communication skills, diversity, and relationship building. Judy has also been a solo wilderness guide for over 20 years.



Jabu Mashinini, BA is a GRI facilitator and organizational trainer for corporations and NGOs, including Phaphama Initiatives based in Soweto, South Africa. He specializes in diversity training, counseling, peace studies, and the Alternatives to Violence Project, which he helped establish in several countries.



Julien Devereux, PhD has been a GRI facilitator since 2005, based in Dallas, TX. His background is organizational development, clinical social work, criminal justice, and addictions treatment. He is Chair of the ManKind Project USA, a national men's organization that cultivates compassionate, integrated men.



Rob McLeod, BA, is an organizational consultant, trainer, and GRI facilitator in South Africa, specializing in leadership training and organizational development. He has extensive experience in course & materials design, facilitation & training in diversity, creative arts, mastering conflict, and self development.



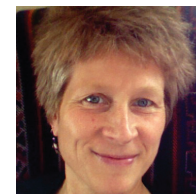
Shell Goldman, MA, CAH is psychotherapist, life coach, and GRI trainer based in Santa Fe, NM. He has 30 years' experience facilitating experiential groups, and is a certified hypnotherapist. Shell has led men's gatherings in Maine and New Mexico since 1987.



Judy Connors MA, is Director of Phaphama Initiatives in Soweto, South Africa. She is a GRI facilitator, Kundalini Yoga teacher, contemplative Catholic, and leads interfaith spiritual retreats. Judy has nearly 30 years' experience in leadership training, conflict resolution, and the Alternatives to Violence Project.



Rev. Laurie Gaum is Programme Coordinator at the Centre for Christian Spirituality, and is the only openly gay minister in the Dutch Reformed Church (DRC) of South Africa. He and his father, also a minister, were instrumental in the recent DRC ruling to ordain gay ministers and bless same sex unions.



Shirsten Lundblad, M.Div, LMT, is a yoga teacher, massage therapist, and GRI facilitator. She is a professional musician, performing and recording with Inanna: Sisters in Rhythm, and Referendum. She teaches classes in percussion, and in sacred chant.

Assistant Trainers



Zanele Khumalo, MA is Program Officer for GRI based in South Africa. She is a GRI facilitator and specializes in youth and diversity, intercultural communication, and Alternatives to Violence. She was a social science researcher, and trained young adult mentors of youth at risk.



John Tsungme Guy, MA, LMHC is consultant and support facilitator for GRI, based in Seattle, USA. He is a licensed psychotherapist with MA in Contemplative Psychotherapy from Naropa University, with a background in addictions counseling, and group dynamics and facilitation.

Gender Reconciliation International

PROFESSIONAL & FACILITATOR TRAINING

Gender Equality and Reconciliation Transforming Gender Relations between Women and Men

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING FOR RELIGIOUS LEADERS & SEEKERS

~ 2016 / 2017 ~

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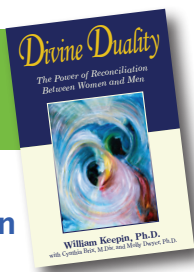


The future of humanity will be decided not by relations between nations, but by relations between men and women.

~ D.H. Lawrence

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Divine Duality: The Power of
Reconciliation Between Women and Men



Training in Gender Equality and Reconciliation

You are invited to apply for a unique professional training program for religious leaders and seekers who wish to experience or facilitate profound transformation of gender relations between the sexes. The structure and content of this training is tiered—to enable multiple levels of engagement and trainee commitment. The training encompasses three tracks:

• **Track I, Professional Gender Reconciliation Training**, consists of four 5-day modules of intensive group training, spread over a 12 to 15 month period. Track I may be taken on its own, without pursuing further tracks.

• **Track II, Internship Program**, is for those who have completed Track I and wish to deepen their learning, or work toward becoming facilitators of Gender Reconciliation. Interns gain valuable field experience by apprenticing and helping to organize and facilitate Gender Reconciliation and *Get Real!* programs.

• **Track III, Facilitation Certification**. After successful completion of Tracks I and II, a trainee may apply to become a certified Facilitator of Gender Reconciliation and *Get Real!* workshops. Conferred upon those who fulfill all requirements and review process with GRI training team.

Get Real! is a 3-day workshop aimed primarily at young adults in faith organizations, universities, and communities—to help young people create authentic relationships. *Get Real!* stands for **G**ender **E**quality **T**raining for **R**elationships that are **E**mpowering, **A**wake, and **L**oving. Social conditioning around gender and sexuality cultivates false ‘gender personas’ in young women and men, resulting in tremendous pain and confusion between the sexes. The recent documentary film *Miss Representation* high-

Transforming Patriarchy in Religion

Gender injustice and oppression afflict every major religion—with adverse effects on individuals, congregations, religious leadership, and cherished spiritual ideals. Developed over 23 years in eight countries, the Gender Reconciliation training cultivates a unique set of skills and practices that enable religious leaders and seekers of all faiths to facilitate powerful transformative group process in the often charged arena of gender relations between women and men. Religious leaders are thereby enabled to begin skillfully dismantling the shackles of patriarchal attitudes and structures, with profound benefit to the community.

The Gender Reconciliation process is unique in applying spiritual principles and practices to transform gender relations. Because gender is inherently entwined with the heart’s inmost yearning—for love, intimacy, and communion with the Divine—skillful work with gender relations and masculine and feminine dynamics provides a powerful leverage point for awakening the power of love and compassion in groups and communities. The training experience is designed to be an engaging, intimate, and inspired journey of individual and collective transformation.

lights negative gender conditioning for young women. The new film *The Mask You Live In* documents parallel negative conditioning for young men. When ‘misrepresented’ women interact with ‘masked’ men, gender relations become artificial, painful, and often destructive. *Get Real!* workshops help young people to shed negative gender conditioning, and discover new forms of authentic relating soul to soul that cultivate mutual trust, integrity, responsible intimacy and inspiring collaboration between the sexes.

Gender Reconciliation Professional & Facilitator Training



Who is this training for?

Gender Reconciliation training is appropriate for religious leaders, seekers, and students of all faiths, sexual orientations, race, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds.

Pre-requisites for the training are:

- Completion of a three-day Gender Reconciliation or *Get Real!* workshop, may be taken concurrently with Track I module.
- Basic skills in group leadership and facilitation, clinical or pastoral experience, or equivalent. (Skills training may be co-requisite);
- Commitment to a daily contemplative spiritual practice of trainee’s choice.

Application Process

Please download and complete the training application found at www.GRworld.org, and email to training@GRworld.org. Limited scholarships are available, and special discounts based on need; please write to us.

Training Cost in USA (includes tuition, room & board)

Cost Per five day module	Double room	Triple
General	\$1,900	\$1400
Early Registration	\$1,500	\$1000

(if paid in full by Dec 1, 2015)

Key Elements of the Training

- Spiritual basis and principles of reconciliation
- Gender and spirituality across the religions
- Advanced & creative group facilitation skills
- Silent meditation, prayer, breathing practices
- Creating safe space & maintaining integrity
- Working with emotions, trauma, and PTSD
- Gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, & transgender issues
- Intimate communication skills and presence
- Conflict transformation & collective alchemy
- Sexuality (sacred and profane) and spirituality
- Holotropic Breathwork experience
- Tricky and volatile gender issues & pitfalls
- Transmuting shadow aspects & unawareness
- Ceremony & celebration skills in community

2016 ~ 2017 Training Schedule

Dates shown: 1st module of Track I only	Training Location (Dates for further modules on website)
February 1 – 5, 2016	Bangalore, India
March 2 – 6, 2016	Cape Town, South Africa
April 27 – May 1, 2016	Ghost Ranch Abiquiu, New Mexico