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Speaker Biographies:

**Marion Balla, M.Ed., M.S.W., R.S.W.**

Marion Balla is President of the Adlerian Counselling and Consulting Group in Ottawa, Canada, and has gained international recognition for her expertise, dynamic speaking style and skills as a therapist, consultant, teacher, trainer and facilitator. She specializes in family, individual and couples therapy, and is an expert in a broad range of workplace and organizational performance issues. She has delivered keynote addresses and workshops in the areas of leadership, creative collaboration, work-life balance, parenting and many other subjects. Marion has also contributed significantly to the ongoing development of Adlerian Psychology and its growing popularity around the world.

**Dr. Marina Bluvshtein, PhD LP; MA LMFT**

Marina Bluvshtein, PhD LP; MA LMFT, is Program Director for Adlerian Studies and Online Education, IRB Chairperson, and a Core Faculty Member at the Adler Graduate School, MN. She also maintains a small private practice treating clients and supervising early career professionals. Dr. Bluvshtein's Master's Degree is from the Adler Graduate School, MN and she sees the Individual Psychology of Alfred Adler as her theoretical orientation in clinical practice, teaching, and supervision. Her professional interests and areas of expertise include cross-lingualism, geriatric psychology, multigenerational family processes, and cognitive assessments. She brings into her current practice diverse career experiences and education, including library sciences, chemistry, engineering, journalism, and teaching and administration in secondary education.

**Dr. Jill Duba Sauerheber, PhD, LPCC, RTC**

Dr. Jill Duba Sauerheber is a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor and a National Certified Counselor. She is EMDR Certified, Reality Therapy Certified, has completed levels 1-3 of the Gottman Couples Therapy Method and holds a Certification of Study in Adlerian Psychology. She has published over 55 journal articles and book chapters, and has edited two books addressing areas related to Adlerian psychology, couples counseling, psychopathology and religious factors in counseling and academic gatekeeping. Dr. Duba has conducted over 45 national and international presentations, and over 60 regional and state presentations related to similar topics. She is currently serving as president of the North American Society of Adlerian Psychology. She is an Associate Professor in the Department of Counseling and Student Affairs at Western Kentucky University and maintains a small private practice. Dr. Duba is privileged to serve the Catholic community by conducting workshops and lectures for both married and premarital couples.
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Ellen Mendel, MS, MEd, MSW, LCSW

Ellen Mendel, LCSW has been a holistic psychoanalyst/psychotherapist in private practice in New York City for many years and has also been President of the Alfred Adler Institute of New York for over six years. Having trained at the NY Institute in the areas of Individual, Marriage & Therapy, and then having served there as a clinician, training analyst, supervisor, faculty member and President, she has always sought to bring the richness of the Adlerian voice to the many groups with whom she is connected in the New York area and beyond. Her countless summers at ICASSI, at which she gave many special interest presentations, have served to enrich this deep felt commitment to the principles, practices and philosophy of Adlerian psychology. A former board member of American Board of Assessment Psychology (ABAP) and the National Association of Advancement of Psychoanalysis (NAAP), and keynote speaker at NAAP, Ellen has availed herself of the opportunity to present ongoing lectures to heighten awareness of Adlerian Psychology for the professional community. In order to reach lay audiences, she founded, coordinated and presented experiential workshops at the 92nd Street Y in New York City, at which several years ago she co-presented "The Essential Adler" with Margot Adler (granddaughter of Alfred Adler).

Ellen was born in Nazi Germany and, with her immediate family, made it to the U.S. just four months short of the German invasion of Holland, Belgium, France and Luxembourg, having to say goodbye to much of the extended family who were murdered several years later. Following the core Adlerian concept of Gemeinschaftsgefuhl ("community feeling"), she has been speaking to students and adults, first in Germany and then in the U.S., using family photos to bring her story to life for the past 15 years. Her goal is to build bridges through understanding and dialogue. She is currently in the process of putting her experiences into a book, entitled "My Four Journeys."

Harold H. Mosak, PhD

Dr. Harold Mosak is a pillar of Adlerian Psychology, counseling clients and training students, mental health professionals, educators and parents from around the world, according to the principles of Alfred Adler’s Individual Psychology. In following these principles in both his personal and professional spheres, Dr. Mosak has himself been one of the world’s foremost Adlerian Scholars and teachers for more than six decades. He is a co-founder of what has become Adler University in Chicago, and also helped to build what is now the Adler Graduate School of Minnesota, where he has served as an instructor, Faculty Member Emeritus and Honorary Board Member.