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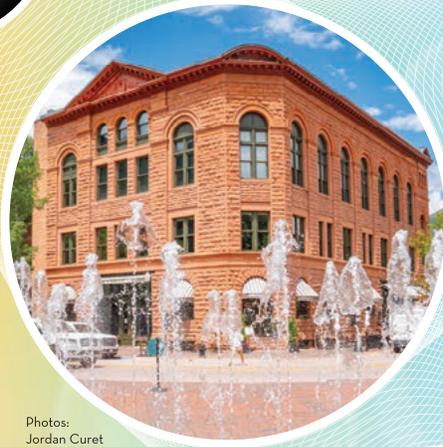


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10:00 AM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

PANEL 1

PSYCHEDELICS 101: Respecting Our Roots

Join us for an opening discussion on the cultural and spiritual roots of plant medicines and psychedelics, as we examine how ancestral traditions continue to shape our relationship with these substances. Featuring Zach Leary, who grew up in American psychedelic culture, and Tetonwan Lakota Oyate's Sandor Iron Rope. The aim of this conversation will be to inspire a deep appreciation for the many important historical influences on Psychedelics in our society.

MODERATOR:

Joe Moore *OF PSYCHEDELICS TODAY*

FEATURED PANELISTS:

Zach Leary

Sandor Iron Rope

12:00 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

PANEL 2

Neuropharmacology: Psychedelics on the Brain

Exploring psychedelic healing potential beyond the mind, including impacts to physical therapy and disability, this discussion will delve into topics such as CNS and peripheral neuroplasticity, anti-inflammatory effects, and their role in healing paralysis. Investigate the potential for psychedelic neurotoxicity, adverse events in spinal cord patients, and ways doctors and researchers are working to enhance the psychedelic experience while minimizing unwanted bodily responses for optimal healing and transformative experiences.

MODERATOR:

Jim Harris

FEATURED PANELISTS:

David M Mcmillan, PhD

Manesh Girn, PhD

Rachel Zoeller, DPT

11:15 AM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Jim Harris: How Psychedelics Transformed a Local Mountain Athlete's Rehabilitation

This compelling account sheds light on the possibilities of psychedelic therapy for paralysis. Jim Harris' journey exemplifies the transformative power of psychedelics not just in physical recovery but also in mental health and wellness, marking a significant breakthrough in rehabilitative approaches.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Jim Harris

2:00 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Coakee William Wildcat: Psychedelic Pathways to Ecological Resilience

The global ecological and climate crises are results of a human cultural crisis. Coakee will explore how psychedelic decriminalization can help us find our agency in mitigating the extinction event and stabilizing global climate if we focus on restoring relationships and opening pathways for ancestral wisdom to guide us.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Coakee William Wildcat

2:15 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Stéphane Lasme: Iboga and Gabon

Experience a unique perspective as Stéphane Lasme, hailing from Central West Africa, recounts his personal journey with Iboga. Learn how this powerful plant medicine from his homeland of Gabon holds deep cultural and spiritual significance for him, his country, and its people. Steph's next professional chapter is built around his mission to combine the ancient wisdom of his heritage with modern medicine to distribute effective ibogaine-assisted therapies to address the growing mental health crisis.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Stéphane Lasme

4:00 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Jen Bruce: Psychedelic Teachings on Addiction Recovery

Psychedelics hold profound potential in the treatment of addiction. By observing how psychedelics work to heal addiction, we can learn more about the nature of addiction and how to improve existing frameworks for better treatment outcomes. In this talk, Jen will highlight the often-overlooked healing mechanisms of psychedelics and how this translates to a more comprehensive and successful addiction treatment model.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Jen Bruce

2:30 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

PANEL 3

IBOGAINE: The Promise, the Protocol, and Protecting the Sacred

Ibogaine's complex effects on the brain and the need for medical monitoring are unique compared to other plant medicines. Learn more about its current and potential future applications as a medicine, and the importance of protecting the iboga sacrament in Gabon.

MODERATOR:

Kevin Franciotti, MA, LAC

FEATURED PANELISTS:

Talia Eisenberg, MBA

Tom Feegel

Lola O Ohonba, PHARM.D.

4:15 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

SHORT FILM

“Healing through Peyote” by Amber Labahe

Learn how peyote — used as a ceremonial, legal medicine — helped heal one family's grief. (5:49)

4:30 PM | DAY 1 | FRIDAY, MAY 31

FEATURE TALK

Fireside Chat: Rick Doblin, Ph.D with Ron Beller

Experience an uncensored dialogue between visionary leader and founder of MAPS, Dr. Rick Doblin, and his coach Ron Beller in a Fireside Chat exploring the intertwining paths of professional success, personal growth, and the transformative power of psychedelics.

Psychedelics 101: Glossary of Terms

CRITICAL PERIODS

During specific periods of brain development, the nervous system exhibits heightened sensitivity to the environment, as well as increased malleability for synaptic, circuit and behavioral modifications. Neuroscientists have long sought methods to reopen them for therapeutic benefit and recent studies reveal psychedelics are a master key.

ENTHEOGENS

En- meaning “within,” theos- “God,” and gen- “to produce.” Thus, entheogens “generate God from within.” Natural medicines that induce altered states of consciousness, often used in religious or spiritual contexts to connect with higher powers, explore inner worlds, and facilitate personal growth.

INTEGRATION

The process of making sense of and incorporating insights gained during a psychedelic experience into daily life.

PLANT MEDICINE

Natural substances derived from certain plants that contain psychoactive compounds known to induce altered states of consciousness, spiritual experiences, and therapeutic effects when consumed. These plants have been traditionally used by indigenous cultures in spiritual and healing rituals. Examples: ayahuasca, peyote, San Pedro cactus, and iboga.

PROP 122

Colorado’s Natural Medicine Health Act, Proposition 122, passed in November 2022, decriminalizes natural medicines and establishes a regulated therapeutic model for psilocybin mushrooms.

PSYCHEDELIC

A Greek word consisting of two roots. Psyche- refers to the mind, soul, or intelligence. Delos- means to manifest, reveal, disclose, or make clear: “mind manifesting” or “disclosing the mind’s contents”. Psychedelics are known for producing profound changes in consciousness, sensory experiences, and thought patterns.

SET AND SETTING

The mental state and physical environment in which a psychedelic experience takes place, influencing its outcome.

Important Milestones in Psychedelics

Psychedelics, often referred to as “entheogens” or “plant medicines,” have been discovered, integrated, and utilized as part of indigenous spiritual and healing practices for thousands of years.

1938

Albert Hofmann discovers LSD

MID-20TH CENTURY

Human studies in psychedelics began exploring the potential therapeutic uses of psychedelics for conditions such as depression, anxiety, and addiction

1960s

Psychedelics gain popularity in counterculture movements

1970s

Many psychedelics are classified as Schedule I substances in the U.S., extinguishing human studies

1990s

First human studies of the psychedelic renaissance

2010s

Denver, CO is the first U.S. city to decriminalize psilocybin mushrooms

2020

Oregon becomes the first state to decriminalize possession of small amounts of all drugs and legalizes psilocybin for therapeutic purposes

2022

Colorado voters passed Proposition 122, decriminalizing natural medicines and approving a regulated therapeutic model for psilocybin mushrooms

10:15 AM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

PANEL 4

Psychedelic Integration: The Science and the Support

Let's uncover the transformative potential of psychedelic experiences beyond the trip itself with esteemed experts Dr. Gül Dölen and Zach Leary as they illuminate the importance of post-journey integration practices in maximizing therapeutic benefits.

MODERATOR:

Laura Betti

FEATURED PANELISTS:

Zach Leary

Gül Dölen, MD, PhD

Rachel Zoeller, DPT

12:15 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

PANEL 5

First to Respond: Cultivating Compassion and Resilience in Law Enforcement Communities

What is the emerging relationship between law enforcement and psychedelic policy? Discover how Denver is spearheading the implementation of new laws balancing public health and safety. This panel will explore the needs and considerations faced by first responders as they navigate this evolving territory.

MODERATOR:

Joe Moore *OF PSYCHEDELICS TODAY*

FEATURED PANELISTS:

Rick Doblin, Ph.D.

Lt. Diane M. Goldstein (Ret.)

Lt. Sarko Gergerian, MS, MHC, CARC

11:45 AM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Britt Rollins & Veronica Lightning Horse Perez: Emergent Needs in the Psychedelic Space

Britt and Veronica explore the pressing challenges and opportunities arising in the evolving psychedelic field. Drawing on their expertise and experiences, the speakers dissect the current trends, ethical considerations, and societal implications shaping the psychedelic renaissance.

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Britt Rollins

Veronica Lightning Horse Perez

2:00 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

FEATURE TALK

Namae Ntumae: Love and Psychedelics

Love is at the heart of all effective, permanent transformational processes. Psychedelics can open us to mystical and transcendental experiences and reunite us with the intelligence of all of life, creating a sense of coming home. They achieve this by opening us to profound states of love. However, having peak experiences is not enough. We need to acknowledge the role Love plays in all applications of psychedelics: in resolving trauma, in training facilitators, in the global shift in consciousness, and in addressing the climate crisis. Love is the way home.

3:30 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

SPOTLIGHT TALK

Aaron Orsini: Autism on Acid

Join autistic psychedelic researcher Aaron Paul Orsini for a brief overview of the past, present and future of psychedelic research and care options for autistic populations. Book signing in the Bar Lobby at 4:45 PM.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Aaron Orsini

5:00 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

FEATURE TALK

Gül Dölen on Psychedelics: Master Keys for Unlocking ‘Critical Periods’

Dr. Dölen will present evidence to support her hypothesis that psychedelics are the long-sought “master key” for unlocking critical periods across the brain; understanding psychedelics through this framework dramatically expands the scope of disorders (including stroke, autism, and allergy) that might benefit from adjunct therapy with psychedelics, an approach she has dubbed the PHATHOM project (Psychedelic Healing: Adjunct Therapy Harnessing Opened Malleability), learn more at www.phathomproject.org.

3:45 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

PANEL 6

Psychedelic Healing and Community Empowerment: Navigating State Access Models in Oregon and Colorado

Next year, Colorado will become the second state in the country, after Oregon, to introduce a state-regulated therapeutic access model for psilocybin mushrooms. This panel explores opportunities and challenges, probing what’s possible as communities seek to ethically integrate legal access to psychedelic healing.

PRESENTER:

Joshua Kappell, JD

MODERATOR:

Tasia Poinsatte

FEATURED PANELISTS:

James Eshleman

Claudia Barfoot, LPC, LMHC

Rebecca Martinez

6:00 PM | DAY 2 | SATURDAY, JUNE 1

CLOSING REMARKS

Public Media has always championed curiosity –and research has shown curious people are happier, curiosity leads to more enjoyment and participation in life... and being curious can expand our empathy and strengthen our relationships. Aspen’s legacy commitment to life-long learning has resulted in our community serving as a cultural hub for over 75 years, fostering spaces like this one that champion storytelling and encourage us all to explore new ideas, challenge traditional thinking, and grow together.

FEATURED SPEAKER:

Breeze Richardson

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ASPEN PUBLIC RADIO



CLAUDIA BARFOOT, LPC, LMHC

A trained psychoanalyst, Licensed Professional Counselor, psychedelic guide, medicine woman, and founder of The Land of Possible, offering a holistic approach to mental and spiritual health. With over 20 years of experience in the field, she's guided seekers toward overcoming barriers, healing trauma, and prioritizing self-exploration, expansion, flexibility, compassion, and community connection. Through apprenticeships with elders and immersion in indigenous traditions and cosmovisions, including Wixarika, Mazatec, and Toltec practices, Claudia integrates sacred medicines and ancestral healing technologies into her transformative work.

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RON BELLER

An Aspen-based executive coach who works with top CEOs and founders to maximize their performance. Prior to starting his coaching practice, Ron had a successful career in business, government and philanthropy. Ron has been an active participant in the movement to legalize psychedelics for therapeutic and ceremonial use. He is a close advisor to MAPS senior executives and other leaders in the psychedelics space and serves on the board of MAPS Israel. Ron is also a founding member of the Psychedelic Science Funders Collaborative. Ron is an avid skier and mountain biker. He is married with three children.

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LAURA BETTI

Co-founder of the Aspen Psychedelic Resource Center and a lead organizer of the Aspen Psychedelic Symposium, Laura is a passionate professional guiding transformative experiences. Specializing in preparing individuals for psychedelic journeys and fostering post-journey integration, she helps minimize risk and optimize growth. A certified psychedelic integration coach and skilled fine artist, Laura is also a dedicated medicine guide, supporting individuals in their right to heal safely. Committed to growth, she attends regular facilitator meet-ups and trainings to ensure informed support in her mission to empower others.

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JEN BRUCE

A versatile professional in holistic health, serving as a Kundalini Yoga Teacher, Holistic Health Coach, Functional Nutrition Practitioner, Psychedelic Integration Specialist, Transformational Recovery Coach, and Whole Foods Chef. Certified in various disciplines including Health Coaching, Functional Nutrition, Herbal Medicine, and more, Jen's deep expertise underscores her commitment to personal growth, mental well-being, and sustainable health practices.

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RICK DOBLIN, PHD

The Founder and President of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS). He holds a doctorate in Public Policy from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, with a focus on the medical regulation of psychedelics and marijuana. Rick's mission is to advocate for the therapeutic and personal growth potential of psychedelic substances. He founded MAPS in 1986 and continues his work towards creating legal frameworks for their beneficial use.

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GÜL DÖLEN, MD, PHD

A globally recognized neuroscientist driving research on the brain's interactions with psychedelic substances. A Psychology Professor at UC Berkeley, she holds the Renee & U.S. Marine LCpl Bob Parsons Endowed Chair and contributes to the Berkeley Center for the Science of Psychedelics and Helen Wills Neuroscience Institute. An Adjunct Professor in Neuroscience and Neurology at Johns Hopkins Medicine, Dr. Dölen is a recipient of esteemed honors, including the Joukowsky Family Foundation Outstanding Dissertation Award, Conquer Fragile X Rising Star Award, and Searle Scholars Award.

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TALIA EISENBERG, MBA

A serial entrepreneur and co-founder of Beōnd, a company offering psychedelic-assisted ibogaine treatment for trauma, addiction, cognitive enhancement and optimization. She values the power of this plant medicine in her own recovery journey. Talia's mission is to facilitate healing for many, empowering them to lead purposeful lives. Witnessing transformation through soul connection drives her passion for helping others heal and thrive.

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JAMES ESHLEMAN

A psychedelic guide, integration specialist, and community builder, is a seasoned advocate with over 7 years of experience. His expertise in guiding plant medicine journeys, men's work, and transformational coaching is honed through non-traditional apprenticeships. James integrates various psycho-spiritual disciplines with a nature-based approach to well-being. Recently, he played a key role in shaping recommendations for Colorado's regulated psilocybin therapies program through the Natural Medicine Advisory Board's subcommittee.

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MANESH GIRN, PHD

A postdoctoral neuroscientist at the University of California, San Francisco, specializes in psychedelic research under the guidance of Dr. Robin Carhart-Harris. His work focuses on the neural mechanisms of the psychedelic experience and psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy, resulting in over 20 peer-reviewed publications. Operating as "The Psychedelic Scientist" on Instagram and YouTube, Dr. Girn shares accessible insights into psychedelic science. Additionally, he serves as Chief Research Officer at EntheoTech Bioscience, a Canadian company innovating in psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy and mental health solutions.

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A prominent figure in criminal justice and drug policy reform, known for her speaking, writing, and lecturing. Joining the Redondo Beach Police Department in 1983, she ascended to become the department's first female lieutenant, overseeing various divisions. An expert in crisis negotiations, she has made significant contributions to national training guidelines. Motivated by personal tragedy, she advocates for improved mental health and addiction support within the justice system. Since 2021, she has been the Executive Director at the Law Enforcement Action Partnership, holding degrees in criminology, law, and society, and legal studies.

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JIM HARRIS

A former mountain athlete, overcame paralysis through psychedelics, aiding his remarkable recovery almost a decade after his injury. Despite joking about his gait, he now navigates with a cane and enjoys skiing and mountain biking. His story showcases psychedelics' potential in mental health and physical healing, expanding scientific horizons.

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JOSHUA KAPPEL, JD

Joshua Kappel, a founding partner of Vicente LLP, is committed to supporting entrepreneurs in creating sustainable and people-centered ventures in the cannabis and psychedelic sectors. His advocacy includes shaping legislation and frameworks for emerging industries, notably co-authoring Colorado's successful Proposition 122, the Natural Medicine Health Act. Joshua's expertise spans advising companies on corporate structuring, regulatory compliance, and legal complexities at local and federal levels. A revered figure in the field, he serves on boards and associations, contributing significantly to cannabis and psychedelic policy development.

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Gabon native and serial entrepreneur with diverse experience in professional basketball, plant medicine, and early-stage investing. He earned an athletic scholarship for basketball at UMASS, where he earned accolades such as Atlantic 10 Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year. After graduating with a degree in biology, Steph played professional basketball for 12 years in the NBA and international leagues, winning championships and MVP awards. Transitioning to entrepreneurship, he founded "erbn'world", a cannabis business, and co-founded Stedde Capital. As Managing Director, he leads commercial initiatives in Gabon, focusing on leveraging the therapeutic benefits of the Iboga Tree to address global mental health challenges while honoring Gabon's rich cultural heritage.

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Host of the MAPS podcast and Spiritual Director for Illuminating Heroes; writer, futurist, spiritualist, psychedelic facilitator, integration coach, and socio-cultural theorist; son of psychologist, author, and champion of psychedelic counterculture, Tim Leary, Zach studied and was mentored by Ram Dass, giving him a front-row seat to the most important cultural movements of the late 20th century. His first book “Your Extraordinary Mind - Psychedelics in the 21st Century and How to Use Them” will be published on SoundsTrue in early 2025.

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Executive Director of Aspen Public Radio, Breeze is a respected public media strategist who has been in her current role since June 2021. With over twenty years of experience in media communications work, Breeze is known for her participation in community-focused programming throughout the Roaring Fork Valley. She has interviewed authors and renowned journalists and led public conversations on disability, inclusion, and the role of local news in fostering democracy. Showcasing her commitment to diverse voices and community dialogue, Breeze has expanded Aspen Public Radio's project to record panel discussions and lectures throughout the community, increased the station's production of live local broadcasts, and serves as the Executive Producer of the Aspen Psychedelic Symposium, following over two decades of experience producing public events.

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Sandor Iron Rope, a respected member of the Tetonwan Lakota Oyate, epitomizes his Lakota heritage. Born in 1970, he honors his ancestry, descending from Chief High Hawk and Chief Lone Bear. Sandor's family legacy in the Peyote tradition, passed down by grandfathers Sam Lone Bear and Sam Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk, drives his advocacy for Indigenous customs. Through roles in the Native American Church and as Chairman of the Native American Church of South Dakota, he champions preservation. A founding member of the Indigenous Peyote Conservation Initiative, Sandor strives for the safeguarding of sacred traditions and holistic wellness within his community.



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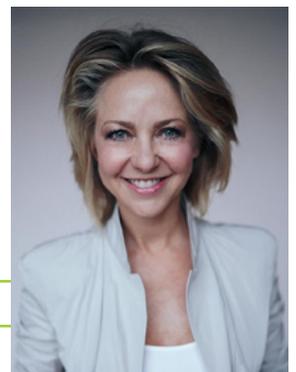
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