



## **Call for Proposals Afternoon Sessions at SYTAR 2013**

### **Theme for afternoon sessions at SYTAR 2013: “Competencies in Action”**

- All sessions should support the competencies in the new standards in practical and intriguing ways.
- Please read the “[IAYT Educational Standards for the Training of Yoga Therapists](http://www.iayt.org)” as posted on [www.iayt.org](http://www.iayt.org).

### **Important Dates**

- Submission deadline: Monday, October 22, 2012
- Notification deadline: Tuesday, November 20, 2012

### **Overview**

- Five concurrent sessions, scheduled for 2 pm and 4 pm, Friday and Saturday, June 14 and 15, for a total of 20 sessions
- All sessions will be approximately 1hr, 45 minutes in duration
- Afternoon session presenters will be asked to present a morning practice too, at 7 am. We would like conference attendees to have two chances to see you.

### **2 pm tracks**

- Since this is after lunch, we will be looking for sessions that are more lecture and theory and less practice, especially at the outset of the session. These sessions should include, as appropriate, the presentation of relevant “research you can use” that supports the session topic.

### **4 pm tracks**

- For the afternoon sessions we will be looking for sessions that include more movement and practice. After all, this is a yoga conference! All 4 pm sessions should include time for experiential and educational practice, as well as time for discussion.

### **How much lecture? How much practice?**

- Other than consideration of daily rhythms, we leave it up to the presenters.

### **Co-Presenters are Welcome**

Presenters are welcome to have a co-presenter. We cannot offer extra support for co-presenters but their photo and bio will be presented in the program. Co-presenters must register for the conference by April 1, 2013.

### **Assistants are Welcome**

You are welcome to use as many assistants as you need. Sessions may range from 50 to 150 attendees. All assistants must be conference attendees. This is a good opportunity for members of a school or a studio to work together.



### **Selection Criteria**

Presentations will be selected based upon the topic content, expertise of the presenter, the speaker's presentation skills and ability to effectively communicate to large groups, and adherence to the proposal instructions. The primary consideration is service to conference attendees. Additional considerations include:

- IAYT membership, required
- Service to your association (e.g., serving on a committee, serving as a peer reviewer, published articles in IAYT publications, reviewing books and DVDs, other)
- Unsupported presentations at previous conferences, such as CIC presentations and morning practices
- Attendance at previous IAYT symposiums (SYTAR and SYR)

Proposals from those who have not presented at previous conferences are welcome! We seek to create variety and interest and to allow for new ideas and faces.

### **Other considerations**

- Some of the sessions will be provided by keynote and plenary presenters as well as members of the Educational Standards Committee
- Please understand we typically receive many more attractive proposals than we have sessions available.

### **Support for Session Presenters**

Our intent is to support presenters by covering the reasonable costs of attending the conference. Presenters will be supported according to the following policy:

- Conference registration, which includes four meals
- Lodging at the conference hotel. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, June 13-15. Lodging includes light breakfast, e.g. hot cereals, fruits, etc.
- Travel expenses. We provide set fees for travel expenses:
  - \$50 for those residing in Massachusetts
  - \$100 for those outside of Massachusetts but in the region (states contiguous to MA)
  - \$400 for those outside the region and east of the Mississippi
  - \$500 for those west of the Mississippi and outside the country

### **Contracts**

A signed contract will be required for each presenter to clarify the agreement between IAYT and the presenter.

### **Your IAYT SYTAR 2013 Conference Team**

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