



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

At-A-Glance

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

6:30 PM **Doors Open, Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor**
Info Tables, Ballroom and Bookstore open in the Foyer

7:30 PM **Plenary Session Begins** Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Into the Night: Portraits of Life and Death –a new documentary
by Helen Whitney
A preview of the opening of her upcoming PBS film

The Needs of the Dying
David Kessler

The Tibetan Book of the Dead: Gift of Original Life Science
Robert "Tenzin" Thurman, PhD

9:45 PM **Book Signings with David Kessler and Robert Thurman**



SATURDAY OCTOBER 14

7:30 AM Doors Open

Info Tables, Ballroom and Bookstore open in the Foyer

8:30 AM Morning Plenary Session Begins

Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Musical Meditation

Catharine DeLong

Sacred Dying: Space, Souls, and Transitions

Megory Anderson, PhD

The Tangled Garden of Wisdom and Grief

Stephen Jenkinson, MTS, MSW

10:10 AM Break

Fresh Water in Grand Ballroom, Coffee and Tea served in Mezzanine

10:30 AM Morning Workshops Begin

Tibetan Book of the Dead I

Robert "Tenzin" Thurman, PhD

Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Mapping the Journey

Leslie Blackhall, MD

Herald Square, 3rd Floor

Hospice Care for Our Animal Companions

Ella Bittel, DVM

Kips Bay, 3rd Floor

Exploring The Energetics Of Death And Grief

Jeanne Denney

Gramercy, 3rd Floor

End Of Life Coaching For Caregivers

Janet Booth, RN

Sutton Place, 3rd Floor



12:15 to 1:45 PM LUNCH

Catered Lunch served on The Mezzanine, 2nd Floor and seating is in the Crystal Ballroom also on the 2nd Floor

1:15 PM Book Signings with Megory Anderson and Stephen Jenkinson

1:45 PM Afternoon Plenary Session Begins Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Musical Meditation

Michelle Pirret

Cultivating Moral Resilience at the End of Life

Cynda Rushton, PhD, RN

Facing Death, Finding your Life

Henry Fersko-Weiss, LCSW

End-of-Life Experiences and Their Contributions to an Understanding of Life and Consciousness

Peter Fenwick, MD

4:00 PM Book Signings with Henry Fersko-Weiss and Peter Fenwick

Break

Coffee/Tea served with snacks on the Mezzanine, 2nd Floor



4:30 PM Afternoon Workshops Begin

The Inspired Funeral
Amy Cunningham Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Tibetan Book of the Dead 2
Robert "Tenzin" Thurman, PhD Herald Square, 3rd Floor

Creating The Conditions For Compassion
And Resilience At The Bedside
Cynda Rushton, PhD, RN Gramercy, 3rd Floor

The Afterlife Journey Of
The Soul In Jewish Mysticism
Simcha Raphael, PhD Sutton Place, 3rd Floor

Death Midwifery
Oliva Bareham Kips Bay, 3rd Floor

6:15 PM Book Signing with Simcha Raphael

6:15 PM Free Time/ Dinner Break

7:15 PM Coffee and Dessert served on Mezzanine
Biscotti, Lemon Bars, Assorted Whole Fruit



7:45 PM **Open doors for Evening Event**

8:15 PM Evening Event in the Grand Ballroom
Coleman Barks & Eugene Friesen
"Our Death Is Our Wedding with Eternity" - Rumi

SUNDAY OCTOBER 15

7:30 AM **Doors Open**
Info Tables, Ballroom and Bookstore open in the Foyer

8:30 AM **Plenary Session Begins** Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

Musical Meditation
Catharine DeLong

Paranormal Experiences at the End of Life and After Death
Kenneth Doka, PhD, MDiv

The Shaman's View of Death
Alberto Villoldo, PhD

Psilocybin and Mystical Experiences Research
Anthony Bossis, PhD

10:45 to 11:15 AM Break

Fresh Water in Grand Ballroom, Coffee and Tea Served in Mezzanine



11:15 AM

Morning Workshops

Dying Consciously
Alberto Villoldo, PhD Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor

How Do We Want To Die?
Peter Fenwick, MD Herald Square, 3rd Floor

Disenfranchised Grief In
In the 21st Century
Kenneth Doka, PhD, MDiv Sutton, 3rd Floor

Bringing Death Into Life
Bastiaan Baan Kips Bay, 3rd Floor

Lazarus And The Mustard Seed
Leslie Blackhall, MD Gramercy, 3rd Floor

1:00 PM Book Signings with Alberto Villoldo and Bastiaan Baan

1:00 to 2:30 PM LUNCH

No catering provided, brown bag lunch

1:30 PM Coffee/Tea Smoothie Station Mezzanine, 2nd Floor

1:30 PM Death Cafe Herald Square, 2nd Floor



2:30 PM

Afternoon Panels

Caring For Our Dead Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor
Grief; Remembrance & Sacred Rituals
Olivia Bareham
Amy Cunningham
Megory Anderson, PhD
Jeanne Denney

Future Of End Of Live Care Crystal Ballroom, 2nd Floor
Simcha Raphael, PhD
Leslie Blackhall, MD
Peter Fenwick, MD
Anthony Bossis, PhD

4:45 PM

Closing Ritual and Musical Meditation

Grand Ballroom, 2nd Floor