



# Living Luminaries:

## THE SERIOUS BUSINESS OF HAPPINESS

Produced by Michael J Lasky

Gotham Metro Studios is a feature motion picture and television production company whose core business is to 'Enlighten and Entertain'. The Gotham companies create, develop, produce and distribute: multi-media content, feature films for worldwide theatrical release, digital media for television, DVD, radio and emerging new digital media.

As its core mission the company is committed to creating programs that impart something more than sheer entertainment. Gotham has branded the "New A-List" with a new emerging leverage for theatrical distribution by casting stellar spiritual and "Cultural

Creative" celebrities to share with the world the gift of their true persona. This 'cross-over' placement from mega-selling author/public speakers to the modern docu-drama venue is a new theatrical opportunity for audiences looking for more conscious, artistic and compelling films.

Gotham Metro Studios, the production company, has developed a slate of films in the consciousness genre with the first film, Living Luminaries (on The Serious Business of Happiness). It is in some ways a prequel to the next film, The Serious Business of Happiness.(SBoFH) Living Luminaries is a progressive minded church friendly film, whereas

SBoFH is more mature audience oriented in content, with more drama, less interview time, more music, and a longer 'entertaining' story line. (docu-drama)

Gotham's next films in the "Serious Business" franchise , in preparation include working titles-

The Serious Business of Peace (and war)

The Serious Business of Health!

The Serious Business of Love (and sex)

Gotham has developed a radio show, LIVING LUMINARIES which also lends itself well as a television show format featuring round table interviews with remarkable visionaries, luminaries and heroes in the "Cultural Creative"

world of mind-body-soul subject matter. New York Times' best-selling authors Eckart Tolle, Marianne Williamson, Don Miguel Ruiz and Matthew Kelly are some of the most celebrated authors and metaphysical thinkers of our time.

The Luminary cast list also includes Geronimo JiJaga (formerly known as Geronimo Pratt), Robert A. Schuller (of the Crystal Cathedral)

In the self-realization genre of the films, like "What the Bleep", "Living Luminaries" is initially distributing the film through non-traditional channels like non-denominational and New Thought churches like Unity and Religious Science in addition to yoga centers and consciousness oriented organizations.

There have been several special screenings to date with the film enjoying some very encouraging reviews;

*"By far, the best film of this genre, to date!"*

(Susan D. Los Angeles)

*"This film delivers. A ten".*

(Mike P. Honolulu)

*"I need to see it again. A few more times!"*

(Jan C. Honolulu)

*"Such deep insight delivered with an ease of comprehension for most audiences".*

(Steven A., Los Angeles)

## THE MOVIE:

Living Luminaries (on The Serious Business of Happiness) – a powerful new motion picture featuring the

insights of the consciously evolved A-list of stars in the Cultural Creative movement. Here are some of the people you will come to know in "Living Luminaries":

**Best selling authors:** Marianne Williamson (A Return to Love, Illuminata)

Eckhart Tolle (The Power of Now),

Don Miguel Ruiz (The Four

Agreements),

Gary Renard (The Disappearance of

the Universe), and Matthew Kelly

(Seven Levels of Intimacy.)

**Religious and spiritual leaders:**

Nachum Shiffren ("The Surfing

Rabbi"), Rev. Robert A. Schuller (of the Crystal Cathedral)

Venerable Tibetan Lama Chodak

Gyatso Nupka, Michael Bernard

Beckwith, Don Jose Ruiz, Rev. Mary

Manin Morrissey, and Dr. Harry

Morgan Moses.

**Outspoken advocates of civil rights:**

Geronimo Ji Jaga (Black Panther – aka. Geronimo Pratt) and Marc Emery

(Canadian marijuana activist.)

Contemporary thinkers and

enlightened teachers: Obadiah S.

Harris, Ph.D. (of the University of

Philosophical Research), Dr. Robert

Fragar, Rabbi Yitchok Adlerstein (of

Loyola University) and Rev. Dr.

William S. Epps.

Our young seeker's quest takes him to some of the foremost, most inspirational individuals of our day. Change your life, Now, and join him on the journey...



## MEET THE LUMINARIES -

Eckhart Tolle: Author of *The Power of Now*, a #1 New York Times best-seller widely recognized as one of the most influential spiritual books of our time. Born in Germany and educated at the Universities of London and Cambridge - at age twenty-nine a profound spiritual transformation virtually dissolved his old identity and radically changed the course of his life, deepening his transformation.

Marianne Williamson: Internationally acclaimed author and lecturer. She has published nine books, including *A Return to Love* and *Everyday Grace* - which have been #1 New York Times bestsellers. Her titles also include *Illuminata*, *A Woman's Worth*, and *Healing the Soul of America*.

Don Miguel Ruiz: Author of *The Four Agreements* (5 straight years on the New York Times bestseller list), *The Mastery of Love*, *Voice of Knowledge*, and *Prayers*.

Michael Bernard Beckwith: Founder and Spiritual Director of the Agape International Spiritual Center, a trans-denominational spiritual community. He is also co-founder of the Association for Global Thought, an organization dedicated to planetary healing and transformation.

Dr. Beckwith's achievement as a humanitarian and emissary of peace have been widely acclaimed: he is the recipient



*Sean, Don Jose Ruiz and Don Miguel Ruiz*



*Michael Bernard Beckwith*



*Rev. Robert Schuller*

of *The 2004 Africa Peace Award* and the *Humanitarian Award of the National Conference for Compassion and Justice*. Dr. Beckwith founded Agape in 1986 with the vision to take a stand for love, peace, and has expanded into a community of 9,000 members, with 1,000,000 friends worldwide.

Geronimo Ji Jaga (Pratt): High ranking member of the Black Panther Party. Ji Jaga was sent to prison in 1972 for a crime that he was later acquitted of. He spent 27 years in prison including 18 months on death row before being freed after his retrial in 1997. He is also the godfather of rapper Tupac Shakur.

Matthew Kelly: Author of *The Rhythm of Life*, *The Book of Courage*, *Rediscovering Catholicism*, *The Shepherd*, *A Call to Joy*, and *Mustard Seeds*. Kelly effortlessly elevates and energizes people to pursue the highest values of the human spirit and become "the-best-version-of-themselves."

He clarifies the hazy path of right-living in our world of compromised values with a message that is too clear to be confusing and too persuasive to be ignored. "Who you become is infinitely more important than what you do, or what you have."

Dr. Obadiah S. Harris, Ph.D: President of the Philosophical Research Society and author of *The New Consciousness: The Next Stage of Human Development*, a book that delineates the evolution of religion, philosophy and science, and how they integrate

themselves into the process man should follow to develop further. Through Eastern philosophies, and the spiritual dimensions of the Bible, new horizons for both the individual and societal achievements are opened.

Gary Renard: Author of *The Disappearance of the Universe and Your Immortal Reality*. In the early 1990s, Gary underwent a powerful spiritual awakening and was instructed to write *The Disappearance of the Universe*.

Gary lectures internationally, and serves on the faculty of the Omega Institute, considered to be the world's premier spiritual teaching organization. Combining a disarming sense of humor with radical metaphysical insights, Gary has been described as one of the most interesting and courageous spiritual speakers in the world.

Dr. Harry Morgan Moses: He is the founder of the New Thought Center in San Diego, cofounder of the Affiliated New Thought Network, and the Senior Advisor of the Emerson Institute, from which he received his doctorate.

Rev. Robert Schuller: Regularly seen on the internationally televised *Hour of Power*, Dr. Schuller delivers approximately twenty messages annually to the Crystal Cathedral television audience of over twenty million viewers.

Rabbi Yitzchok Adlerstein: of Loyola University, Los Angeles  
The Surfing Rabbi, Nachum Shifren

Venerable Lama Chodak Gyatso Nubpa: Resident lama of T'hondup Ling, a center for teaching and practice of Vajrayana Buddhism in the Tibetan Nyingma tradition.

Rev. William Epps: Pastor of the historic Second Baptist Church in Los Angeles. In addition to his responsibilities as pastor, Rev. Epps is also one of the most significant civic leaders in the Los Angeles community.

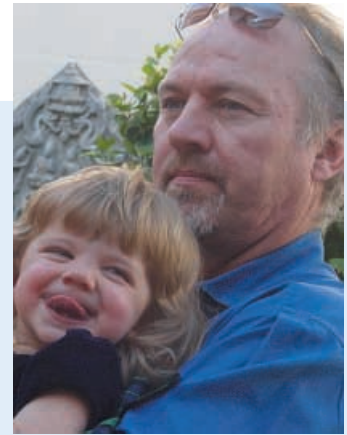
The Benedictine Monks of St. Andrews Abbey

Brandi Kelly: Voodoo Princess, New Orleans.

Marc Emery: Canadian marijuana activist, currently facing extradition to the United States for selling marijuana seeds over the Internet.

Dr. Robert Frager – Sufi Sheikh: Founder of the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology. Dr. Frager is a sheikh in the Halveti-Jerrahi Order and has written three books on Sufism, *Love is the Wine; Heart, Self, and Soul: The Sufi Psychology of Growth, Balance and Harmony*; and *Essential Sufism*.

*Living Luminaries* is now playing in select venues oriented around spirituality and higher consciousness, such as New Thought and Religious Science churches before the film is distributed through traditional channels. On-line accessibility and DVD is expected in late May, 2007.



*Producer Michael J Lasky and his daughter, Morgane Anastasia*

*As a consultant, writer and producer, Michael entered the motion picture industry in the 1980's with the foresight to option the movie rights to Frank Abagnale's infamous book, "Catch Me If You Can". In 1983 he partnered with Mr. Bartlett for many years and developed many film projects with such stars as Marlon Brando, Sophia Loren, Priscilla Presley and Anthony Quinn. Michael was a producer for Hall Bartlett Films, and was the Executive and partner overseeing The Jonathan Livingston Seagull Company. "Jonathan" had won 32 awards including the Grammy for Best Motion Score by Neil Diamond, two Oscar nominations.*

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