The Stanford University Forgiveness Project and PepStar present “Admissions”, an award-winning short film starring Academy Award™ nominee, James Cromwell. This will be followed by a moderated discussion with the film’s creator and a distinguished panel on the intersection of peace and forgiveness.

**PANEL**

Frederic Luskin, Ph.D. - Founder | The Stanford University Forgiveness Project
John Viscount - Admissions Creator, Founder | The Peace Entertainment Project - PEPSTAR.org
Adriana Alvarez - Founder | La Ventana Project & 100% Natural Restaurants

Moderator: Dr. Dot Maver - Co-founder | Global Silent Minute & National Peace Academy USA

**Saturday, Feb. 20, 2021 – 2:00PM EST via Zoom**

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**Panel Bios**

**Frederic Luskin, Ph.D.** is the Director of the Stanford Forgiveness Project as well as a Senior Consultant in Health Promotion at Stanford. He is the author of three best-selling books: *Forgive for Good* and *Forgive for Love* as well as *Stress Free for Good*. He delivers workshops and seminars throughout the United States and around the world on forgiveness, emotional intelligence, stress management, and happiness. He is also Co-Chair of The Garden of Forgiveness Project at the site of 9/11.

**Admissions writer & producer John Viscount** is the founder of The Peace Entertainment Project - PEPSTAR.org - a non-profit which offers fiscal sponsorship and creative support to uplifting social impact filmmakers who address societal challenges and promote peace. He is directing his next film on cyberbullying in 2021 and has a slate of other transformational film projects in development. John is also the co-founder of PeaceNow.com which is gathering signatures and support for the establishment of Ministries and Departments of Peace in governments worldwide. He is also the author of *Mind What Matters. A Pep Talk for Humanity* and *The Mind Supplement*.

**Adriana Alvarez** is a businesswoman with heart. She founded 100% Natural Restaurants guided by her vision of promoting health, vitality, and sustainability for her people. After a devastating hurricane took her first restaurant, she grew the business to its current family of 35 restaurants in Mexico and the surrounding areas. Ten years ago, she followed another heart-centered vision and spearheaded the founding of La Ventana Project. La Ventana is a Demonstration Center for Sustainable Living located behind the Palenque National Park in Chiapas, Mexico. It is a sanctuary that serves as a school of permaculture, music, healing, and spirituality. ([www.laventanapalenque.com](http://www.laventanapalenque.com))

As part of her mission, Adriana acquired 55 hectares to learn the ways of the native Palenque people. This made it possible for her to help children as well as adults, and to educate key influencers by inviting leaders in from around the world. The La Ventana Project created an education model to understand and share the roots of the knowledge that has sustained the people of Palenque for millennia. This indigenous wisdom has enabled them to live in vibrant and vital harmony with the animals, land, and natural resources, while giving back to the ecosystem. This, in turn, gives back to the people.

**Moderator Dr. Dot Maver** is an educator and peacebuilder whose keynote is "inspiring cooperation on behalf of the common good." Dot is a co-founder of the Global Silent Minute, National Peace Academy USA, Global Alliance for Ministries and Infrastructures for Peace, the River Phoenix Center for Peacebuilding, and was founding Executive Director of The Peace Alliance. In 2004, she served as National Campaign Manager for Kucinich for President. Dot is co-author of *Conscious Education: The Bridge to Freedom*; is a Fellow with the World Business Academy; board member with Lifebridge Foundation and Garden of Light; and serves on the International Cities of Peace Advisory Council, the Inamori International Center for Ethics and Excellence, Compassion Games, and Piscataqua Peace Forum Advisory Boards, as well as the Shift Network Summer of Peace Wisdom Council. She also presents The Maver Method: A Revolutionary Fastpitch Softball Hitting Technique for players of all ages. Her work in education, politics, and grassroots community organizing is focused on applied peacebuilding utilizing a shared responsibility and shared leadership model as she helps create the conditions for a culture of peace.
The Biosophical Institute is a non-profit private foundation headquartered in Bath, Maine. Its mission is to cultivate a community and Culture of Peace encompassing life wisdom and deep relationships through character and peace education. The Center for P.E.A.C.E. and Community is their public physical presence that provides the space for the institute to fulfill its mission through programming, workshops, and grants.

Dr. Frederick Kettner, a pioneer in character and peace education, founded Biosophy, which means “life wisdom.” Biosophy is based on Spinoza’s philosophy of ethics. It is the science and art of intelligent living guided by the practice of spiritual values, ethical-social principles, and character qualities essential to individual freedom and social harmony.

The concepts were created by Dr. Kettner as a way to navigate the inner life and overcome the ego. He established The Biosophical Institute so individuals could work together to develop their inner peace nature and contribute to the creation of a civilization based on peace principles. Dr. Kettner was also at the forefront of advocating for a Secretary of Peace in all governments and a Department of Peace in the United States.

https://biosophical.org/

The National Peace Academy USA is a home for peace professionals, community organizers, and peacebuilders looking to hone their practice and for budding community leaders and changemakers who are seeking knowledge and skills to create safe, healthy, and sustainable communities and nurture positive change in themselves, their family, neighborhood, workplace and the world. Together we are creating the conditions for the Culture of Peace.

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