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OVER 100 SCIENTISTS FROM 13 COUNTRIES AND OVER 1,200 ATTENDEES GATHER FOR PSYCHEDELIC SCIENCE 2013

Psychedelic Science 2013 presents the world's leading psychedelic research in a three-track conference and nine workshops over five days. More than 100 presenters from 13 countries will share their latest research with over 1,000 attendees. The conference will explore results and findings in three concurrent tracks: (1) Clinical, focusing on medical research in humans; (2) Interdisciplinary, focusing on qualitative research, and (3) Ayahuasca, focusing on its medical, shamanistic and cultural uses.

Over the past decade, psychedelic research has been experiencing an international renaissance. Substances such as LSD, psilocybin, MDMA, ayahuasca, and ibogaine are being explored for their potential to calm end-of life anxiety, reduce the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and depression, and help end addictions to alcohol and opiates. Psychedelic Science 2013 will present the latest research on the potential benefits as well as the risks of these fascinating compounds.

Psychedelic Science 2013 is the second such conference held in the United States. The first conference in San Jose, Calif. in April 2010 sold out, drawing over 1,000 attendees and receiving international media attention.

Conference presenters are accomplished authors, publishers, and speakers from the world's leading universities—including Johns Hopkins, University of California Los Angeles, University of California San Francisco, Purdue University, University of São Paulo (Brazil), Pompeu Fabra University (Barcelona), Heidelberg University (Germany) Hannover Medical School (Germany), University of Zürich (Switzerland), University of British Columbia (Canada), University of Toronto (Canada), and many others—as well as from leading independent research institutes.

In addition to the Conference and Workshops, Psychedelic Science 2013 will provide ample opportunities to connect with others interested in this promising medical and scientific field. Friday night attendees can enjoy a 3-hour Sunset Cruise and informal dinner on the San Francisco Bay, with an option to disembark in San Francisco to attend Alex and Allyson Grey's "Bicycle Day" event. On Saturday night, a formal evening Dinner & Performance will feature a tribute to psychedelic therapy pioneer Myron Stolaroff, a performance by visual dance artists Phadroid, and an address by Stanford neurosurgeon James R. Doty, M.D. The Marketplace of Goods and Ideas will be free and open to the public exhibit hall for shopping, scientific poster presentations, book signings, and impromptu gatherings.

Continuing Medical Education (CME) and Continuing Education (CE) credits are available for medical doctors, therapists, and other medical professionals. Psychedelic Science 2013 is presented by the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies (MAPS), Heffter Research Institute, The Beckley Foundation, and the Council on Spiritual Practices. For more information and to register, visit psychedelicsscience.org.