

ThriveLIVE Virtual

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Speaker Bios

Dr. Wally Renne

Dr. Renne is a full Professor and Assistant Dean of Innovation and Digital Dentistry at the Medical University of South Carolina. He is the course director for the preclinical CAD/CAM course. He has won several national and regional teaching awards for his efforts both pre-clinically and clinically. He is proficient clinically on numerous intraoral scanners, mills, printers and CBCTs applying multiple workflows for diagnostic and restorative plans. He is also active in dental research and currently has several patents including a patent for a platform of long-term antimicrobial dental materials that have revolutionary bond durability components by inhibiting enzyme degradation of the hybrid layer while simultaneously preventing bacterial proliferation. He has also published several studies on scan accuracy and milling accuracy using various systems.

James Nestor

James Nestor is an author and journalist who has written for *Scientific American*, *Outside Magazine*, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, *National Public Radio*, *Surfer's Journal*, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, and more.

He's spent the last several years working on a book called *Breath: The New Science of a Lost Art*. It released through Riverhead/Penguin Random House on May 26, 2020 and was an instant *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Los Angeles Times*, *Sunday London Times* Top 10 bestseller. *Breath* will be translated into 30 languages in 2021.

Nestor has been invited to speak about the importance of proper breathing at Stanford Medical School, the United Nations, and Global Classroom (World Health Organization+UNICEF), as well as more than 60 radio and television shows, including Fresh Air with Terry Gross, the Joe Rogan Show, ABC's *Nightline*, *CBS Morning News*, and dozens of NPR programs. To date, he has written for publications such as *Scientific American*, *The New York Times*, *The Atlantic*, and *The San Francisco Chronicle*, to name a few.

Dr. Bethany Valachi

Dr. Bethany Valachi, PT, DPT, MS, CEAS is author of the book, *"Practice Dentistry Pain-Free: Evidence-based Strategies to Prevent Pain & Extend Your Career,"* clinical instructor of ergonomics at OHSU School of Dentistry in Portland, Oregon and Ergonomics Editor for *DPR magazine*.

Bethany is a doctor of physical therapy who has worked exclusively with dental professionals for over 20 years. She is recognized internationally as an expert in dental ergonomics and has provided over 700 dental lectures worldwide, which have provided pain relief to thousands of dental professionals. Bethany is also a prolific author who has published more than 70 articles in peer-reviewed dental journals, and produced a series of dental ergonomic & exercise Online CE Video Courses. Bethany Valachi is a Certified Ergonomic Assessment Specialist and consults with universities and practicing dental professionals to improve ergonomics. She is also member of the National Speaker's Association.

Vanessa Van Edwards

Vanessa Van Edwards is the national bestselling author of *Captivate: The Science of Succeeding With People*, which has been translated into 16 languages. As founder of Science of People, Vanessa researches human behavior, communication, and the science of relationships. Her innovative work has been featured on CNN, NPR, Fast Company, and Entrepreneur. Her YouTube videos and viral TEDx London Talk have been seen by over 30 million people. Vanessa is renowned for teaching science-backed people skills to audiences around the world including SXSW and MIT, and at companies including Google, Dove, Microsoft, Amazon, Facebook, MillerCoors, and American Express.

Dr. Heidi Kohltfarber

Dr. Heidi Bridget Kohltfarber is the owner and managing oral and maxillofacial radiologist for Dental Radiology Diagnostics. In addition, she is an adjunct professor in the Department of Diagnostic Sciences at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She received her D.D.S. degree from Loma Linda University in 2003 and in 2012 she received her master's degree in Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology from UNC-Chapel Hill. Her master's research compared 2D versus 3D radiography in the treatment planning of root canal treated teeth with apical radiolucencies. In 2017, Dr. Kohltfarber received her PhD in Diagnostic Imaging with an emphasis in craniofacial radiology at King's College London focusing on the Validation and Diagnostic Efficacy of 3D Surface Models in Dentistry: Temporomandibular Joints.

Dr. Cristain Pavel and Dr. Danielle CAscisoli

Dr. Cristain Pavel and Dr. Danielle Cascisoli live and practice dentistry in Chicago, IL. Along with dentistry, they are certified yoga teacher and lead annual vitality retreats for dental professionals. They enjoy coaching, traveling, working together on smile transformation and celebrating all of life's splendors. Their mission is to empower dental professionals to live passionately and become health and wellness leaders. For more information, visit dental-yogis.com

Fabio Viviani

Fabio Viviani has harbored a passion for food since his childhood growing up in Florence, Italy. Between training in Italian and Mediterranean cuisine at top hospitality schools and working with culinary luminaries such as Alessandro Panzani and Saverio Carmagnini, Viviani also owned, operated and successfully executed several concepts in Florence by the time he was 27, including two nightclubs and five restaurants.

Fabio Viviani Hospitality has opened 34 restaurants to date, and in the next 18 months Fabio Viviani Hospitality Group is scheduled to open 14 more venues, including 5 Hotels in partnerships with different operators.

Best known for his participation in Bravo's Top Chef seasons 5 and 8 – earning the "Fan Favorite" title – his on-screen appearances and off-screen successes have propelled him to become one of the most influential culinary and hospitality names in the country.

Fabio is a recurring guest on national television shows such as Good Morning America, The Rachael Ray Show, and countless Food Network Shows, such as Cutthroat Kitchen: All-Star Tournament, which he won. Since 2016, Viviani released a successful YouTube cooking series, "Fabio's Kitchen," now in its third season.

He has authored four successful cookbooks: Café Firenze Cookbook, New York Times Best-Seller Fabio's Italian Kitchen, Fabio's American Home Kitchen, and most recently Fabio's 30-Minute Italian released in May 2017.

Dr. Naif Sinada

After earning a Bachelor of Arts in biology and a double in minor in chemistry and international studies with a global health emphasis at the University of Iowa, Sinada continued his studies at the University of Iowa for his Master of Public Health and then attended Midwestern University of Dental Medicine in Glendale, Arizona for his dental degree. Following dental school and residencies in Brooklyn and Baltimore, Sinada studied Maxillofacial prosthodontics and oral oncology at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Dr. Sinada has been an early adopter of digital dentistry and a proponent of applying digital dentistry to various aspects of prosthodontics – from surgical applications to comprehensive prosthodontics treatment and maxillofacial prosthetics. Dr. Sinada continues to publish work and present on the subjects of digital dentistry, prosthodontics, implants and a multitude of others. He is currently a reviewer for the International Journal of Oral & Maxillofacial Implants.

Dr. Jason Deblinger

Jason Deblinger, DMD, is an experienced endodontist at 3D MicroEndo, in the Upper East Side neighborhood of Manhattan. He has been serving patients in New York City for more than 15 years.

Dr. Deblinger earned his dental degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) in Newark in 2000. He then stayed at UMDNJ for his residency. Dr. Deblinger is experienced in endodontic therapy (root canals), internal bleaching, and apicoectomy (endodontic microsurgery).

Committed to staying up to date with the latest advancements, Dr. Deblinger is a member of the American Dental Association and the American Association of Endodontists.

Dr. David Wong

Dr. David Wong is a board-certified Periodontist in private practice in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Dr. Wong received his undergraduate education and dental training at the University of Oklahoma. He then went on to complete a three-year residency in periodontics at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology as well as a Fellow in the International Congress of Oral Implantologists. He is a published author in several peer-reviewed dental journals but has also reached a mainstream audience in media such as Fox News and the Wall Street Journal.

Dr. David Ostreicher

Dr. David Ostreicher graduated from Clark University and attended Columbia University School of Dental Medicine, where he received his dental degree and certificate of specialty in orthodontics. After dental school, he continued his education and earned a his master's of science in nutrition and a master's in public health from Columbia.

Dr. Ostreicher is professor emeritus at Columbia University and the University of New Haven. He is a member of the American Dental Association, American Association of Orthodontists, American Public Health Association, and the Honorary Dental Society (OKU). After serving many years on the board of directors of the Nassau County Dental Society, he became president of the New York State Dental Association.

Dr. Ostreicher has published dozens of articles on dentistry and health, and served as editor of For Dentists Only, a scientific dental journal. His books, Brush Your Teeth! and other simple ways to stay young and healthy and 7 Reasons to Straighten Your Teeth, are available at Amazon.com. Dr. Ostreicher is also a speaker for the National Bone Health Alliance, and Henry Schein Orthodontics.

Lee Culp, CDT

Lee Culp, CDT is the CEO of Sculpture Studios, Sculpture Academy, and is a recognized pioneer in Digital Dentistry and advanced functional aesthetic dentistry. He holds true to a belief that the attainment of perfection in restorative dentistry can only be harnessed through a unique combination of skillful application coupled with superior knowledge. As a world-renowned innovator and educator, he maintains an unparalleled focus and commitment to understanding the revolutionary, often complex, changes that continue to influence modern aesthetic dentistry. Thus, he lends his vision and talent to developing, throughout dentistry and within his laboratory, the related materials and communications

standards necessary to ensure the most realistic opportunities for success and gratification for those discriminating dental professionals who maintain a high profile, cutting-edge practice philosophy.

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Gary Kadi

For over 20 years, Gary Kadi has served as an advisor to dental team leaders around the world. A recognized authority on leadership, management, organizational transformation, and performance, he has been honored consistently for his dedication and motivation to dental team success. Kadi has directly impacted the lives of thousands of dental professionals, their families, and patients. His ground-breaking, world renowned book, Million Dollar Dentistry, is distributed in 37 countries. Three books follow: Raise Your HDL: Healthy Deserve Level, and The Dentist: America's Unsung healthcare Hero and his latest book, Stop! The Bleeding: The Seven Steps to Scaling Your Perio Practice.