TOM HENSCHEL Biography

Tom Henschel is an expert in workplace communications and self-presentation. Over the past 20 years, he has helped hundreds of senior leaders achieve *The Look & Sound of Leadership*TM.



His expertise as a communications coach has taken him into executive offices at companies such as Amgen, Cedars Sinai, CitiGroup, City of Hope, CoreLogic, Dole, Ernst & Young, HP, Intuit, Mattel, Raytheon, Sony Pictures, Symantec, Toyota and Warner Bros.

In addition to coaching executives, Tom facilitates team events and delivers highly interactive trainings in the areas of effective communications, presentation, and influence skills at companies such as

Cisco, Disney, Nissan, Taco Bell, Transamerica and NBC/Universal.

Tom's popular podcast, *The Look & Sound of Leadership*, airing since 2008, is consistently cited as "What's Hot" in the business podcasts on iTunes.

Also a sought-after, entertaining keynote speaker, Tom talks on "Acting On The Corporate Stage: 7 Ways to Manage How You're Perceived In The Workplace." And, with best-selling author Dr. Lois Frankel, "Why Men Are Heard & Women Are Liked: Capitalizing On Gender Differences In The Workplace."

Classically trained at The Juilliard School, Drama Division, Tom was a professional actor for more than twenty years and appeared in over 100 plays, films and episodes of television.

Tom also was an award-winning director in the theatre. Productions under his direction garnered thirteen theater critics' awards, including five for him personally as Best Director.

Tom is president of the executive development firm Essential Communications and also a founding coach at the consulting firm Corporate Coaching International. He is a senior coach with Aria Consulting and Executive Coaching Connections.

Tom is a Past President of the Los Angeles chapter of the Association for Talent Development (formerly ASTD). In 2010, he received their Lifetime Award for ongoing contributions to the field of Learning & Development. He lives in Southern California and is father to two daughters.



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