

# The Humor Presenter Course

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The HPC is designed to help you become proficient in finding your humor gifts, presenting to audiences, and gaining skills to prepare humor and educational material for various audiences. A humor resource kit is sent out. The lessons will be sent via e-mail every two weeks or as you complete the previous lesson. You can call for a coaching lessons about your lesson, The cost is \$400 prepaid.

**Lesson 1 - Inventory your Sense of Humor.** Take the Humor Survey. Explore the humor techniques that help you observe and enjoy more humor in the community. Write a bibliography of humor materials. Write several humor sketches according to the supplied format. With the supplied material, seek humor resources. Learn to do a humor interview.

**Lesson 2 - Explore Your Comic Artist.** Look for the artist in you through poetry, art, games, music, and journaling. Through a proven format, you will design humorous group games or ice breakers from the format supplied. Learn some simple cartooning techniques. Practice a humor arts skill with the supplied materials.

**Lesson 3 - Design Your Humor Character.** Observe funny people through video, audio cassette, and books. Find your own humor hero or mentor. Review humorous videos according to the supplied format. Observe, collect information, and report on a humor hero or mentor.

**Lesson 4- Learn How to Be Funnier.** Learn the basic types of humor and write a humor monologue. Classify the supplied jokes as to the humor category. Understand techniques that stand-up comics use to "work" the audience. Become aware of possible pitfalls in using jokes by knowing "savers." Learn how to keep a joke and/or humor prop index.

**Lesson 5- Humoring Almost Everyone.** Not all audiences react to humor in the same way. Learn to use variety and customizing of humor for effective audience involvement. Explore techniques for humorous connection with various audiences. Explore using humor for classroom environments and learn how humor enhances learning.

**Lesson 6- Secrets of Writing Humor.** Find out how to humorize almost everything with writing. Whether for fun or profit, you'll learn to use humor for success. You'll also design your humor project through writing.

**Final project:** Plan a community project using humor that involves an audience, a lesson outline, goals, interaction, props, and evaluation. Present and film. Send back for review and receive your Humor Presenter Course Certificate of Completion. The Humor Presenter Course is \$400 prepaid. Please complete the following application. Invest in your sense of humor and learn to use your talents to enhance community programs and to develop a humor arts career.

**Yes, I want to take the Humor Presenter Course.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the area(s) you are most interested in using humor for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Medical Facility

\_\_\_\_\_ Nursing home, skilled care, and/or retirement community.

\_\_\_\_\_ Corporate and/or community agency

\_\_\_\_\_ State or government conferences

\_\_\_\_\_ Other:

Please check the area(s) you want to offer to audiences:

\_\_\_\_\_ Presentation and/or public speeches

\_\_\_\_\_ Workshops

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference presenter

\_\_\_\_\_ Small group meeting enhancers

\_\_\_\_\_ Trade fair or event entertainment

\_\_\_\_\_ Other:

Why do you want to use more humor or design humor programs for audiences and/or clients and patients?

What talents and/or experience do you bring to this endeavor?(Use another sheet if necessary)

Are you involved in a volunteer community program? If so, please describe.

Enclose your payment of \$400 with check payable to Arts Can Heal. Your resource kit will be sent.

Send to this address:

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