

Tal Ben-Shahar

Tal Ben-Shahar is an author and lecturer who taught the most popular course at Harvard University on "Positive Psychology," and the university's third most popular course on "The Psychology of Leadership"—with a total of more than 1,400 students.



Ben-Shahar consults and lectures around the world to executives in multi-national corporations, the general public, and at-risk populations. Topics include leadership, ethics, happiness, self-esteem, resilience, goal setting, and mindfulness. His most recent book is [*Choose the Life You Want: The Mindful Way to Happiness*](#). He is also the author of *Being Happy: You Don't Have to Be Perfect to Lead a Richer, Happier Life* and *The New York Times* bestseller *Happier: Learn the Secrets to Daily Joy and Lasting Fulfillment*.

Ben-Shahar is a serial entrepreneur and is the co-founder and chief learning officer of the [Potentiallife](#), [Maytiv](#), and [Happier.TV](#).

An avid sportsman, Ben-Shahar won the U.S. Intercollegiate and Israeli National squash championships. He earned his Ph.D. in Organizational Behavior and B.A. in Philosophy and Psychology from Harvard.

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Steven Johnson



Host, PBS six-part series: *HOW WE GOT TO NOW* with Steven Johnson. Bestselling Author, *Wonderland* and *How We Got to Now* among many others.

Steven Johnson is the leading light of today's interdisciplinary, collaborative, open-minded approach to innovation. His writings have influenced everything from cutting-edge ideas in urban planning to the battle against 21st-century terrorism. Steven was chosen by *Prospect* magazine as one of the Top Ten Brains of the Digital Future, and *The Wall Street Journal* called him "one of the most persuasive advocates for the role of collaboration in innovation." He unites a deep understanding of scientific progress with a sharp sensitivity to contemporary online trends. Together, those traits give him an unmatched insight into how ideas emerge and spread and how they affect the world today.

An innovator himself, Steven has co-created three influential sites: the pioneering online magazine FEED, the Webby-Award-winning community site, Plastic.com, and the hyperlocal media site — outside.in, which was acquired by AOL in 2011. His TED talk on innovation has been viewed more than three million times.

He is a regular contributor to *Wired* magazine, as well as *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and many other periodicals. He's appeared on many high-profile television

programs, including *The Charlie Rose Show*, *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*, and *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*. He is [@stevenbjohnson](#) on Twitter, where he has 1.4 million followers.

Kenneth Kaufman



Kenneth Kaufman is Managing Director and Chair of Kaufman Hall – a management consulting firm that provides advisory services and software to hospitals and health systems nationwide.

Since 1976, Mr. Kaufman has provided healthcare organizations with expert counsel and guidance in areas including strategy, finance, financial and capital planning, and mergers, acquisitions, and partnerships. Clients include organizations of all types and sizes – community hospitals and health systems, academic medical centers, and regional or national health systems.

Recognized as a leading authority and committed to industry education, Mr. Kaufman has given more than 400 presentations at meetings such as those organized by the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), American Hospital Association, Healthcare Financial Management Association, The Governance Institute (TGI), and others.

Mr. Kaufman has authored or coauthored six books, most recently authoring *Focus on Finance*, published by TGI, and *Best Practice Financial Management*, 3rd Edition, published by ACHE. In addition, he's often quoted and his articles regularly appear in major healthcare publications.

Mr. Kaufman has an M.B.A. with a concentration in Hospital Administration from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

Robert E. Nesse, MD

Robert E. Nesse, MD was born in Toledo, Ohio and received a B.A. degree from St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1973. He attended Wayne State University School of Human Medicine and received an M.D. degree in 1977. Dr. Nesse completed residency training at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, Michigan in 1980 and was board-certified in Family Medicine.



On August 1, 1980, he joined the staff of Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He served as the residency program director for family practice from 1984-1990 and was Vice Chair of the Mayo Clinic Department of Family Medicine from 1990-1996.

Dr. Nesse was the physician chair of the John Deere Clinic Development Committee and served on the steering committee that developed the Institute for Clinical Systems Integration in Minneapolis. In 1996 he joined the Mayo Clinic Rochester Board of Governors and served as Vice Chairman of the Board from 1999-2004. From 2005-2013

Dr. Nesse was a member of the Mayo Clinic Board of Governors and the Mayo Clinic Board of Trustees. He continues to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Governors.

From January 1st 2004- July 1st 2010, Dr. Nesse served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Mayo Clinic Health System - Franciscan La Crosse, Wisconsin. On July 1st 2010 Dr. Nesse became the Chief Executive Officer of the Mayo Clinic Health System and continues to serve in this role.

In 2006 Dr. Nesse was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Medical Group Association in 2006 and joined the AMGA Executive Committee in 2008. He served as the Chair of the AMGA Board of Directors in 2012.