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Dr. Brinkman is best known for his Conscious Communication<sup>®</sup> expertise conveyed to millions of people via keynotes and trainings, radio, television, print interviews, and numerous award-winning books, videos and audio programs. He has been touring nationally and internationally since 1980 sharing his human behavior insights and practical communication strategies in his trademark entertaining and educational style.

After graduating with a Bachelors of Science degree from State University of New York at Oneonta, Dr. Brinkman earned his Doctorate in Naturopathic Medicine from National College of Naturopathic Medicine, Portland, OR. Following his residency in obstetrics and psychology, he opened a practice specializing in mind / body medicine. His success with his patients led him to further study communication and how it can profoundly affect one's quality of life. During this time, he earned his certification as a Master NLP Practitioner, and became a trainer and professional speaker in association with the Tom Peters Group and other companies.

Dr. Brinkman has received numerous awards including Funniest Speaker of the Year by the Sales Forum and the Institute for Management Studies Distinguished Faculty award. He is the coauthor of *Dealing With People You Can't Stand*, an international best seller translated into seventeen languages. In 1988, he was one of only 15 people selected by the Tom Peters Group to present the "In Search of Excellence" and "Thriving on Chaos" programs. He is a regularly featured speaker for Young Presidents Organization, and many associations and corporations.