

Burt Woolf, Ed.D.

Speaker, workshop leader, consultant and coach

Helping People Live in a Quality-of-Life Context



Meet Burt Woolf

Burt Woolf, is Chief Principal of the Center for Quality of Life, has been inspiring people, teams, organizations and communities for over 30 years. His life-long mission: to help improve quality of life in the world. He is an engaging speaker, master workshop facilitator, and compassionate coach.

Burt's experience and insights into personal, organizational, and community systems led him to develop "*The Eight Principles for Quality of Life*". These guidelines are the basis for the keynote presentations, workshop topics, and follow-up coaching that Burt now offers.



Burt's Quality of Life programs have been featured in Association Management Magazine; in the on-line newsletter of the American Library Association – Allied Professional Associations; and on CNN.com, AOL.com, and Careerbuilder.com!

Program Topics

Burt delivers lively, thought-provoking keynotes, and insightful experiential workshops on quality-of-life topics and subjects such as:

Personal Transformation

Welcome Your Destiny! The 8 Principles for Quality of Life Living at the Edge: Creativity *Inside* the Box!

Leadership Development

Effortless Leadership: Managing Without Struggle!

In The Work Place

Beat the Work-Life Balance Conundrum!

Satisfaction at Work: "That's Not My Job!"

Stress Management

Relax, Recharge, Renew: Don't Burn-Out at the Stake!

Career Re-Invention

Unleash Your Passion to Make a Difference!

The Nonprofit Executive: "Take My Life, Please..."!

Relationships

Successful Relationships From The Inside Out!

What people say about Burt...

"Quality of Life ...you are effectively addressing one of the most important topics of our time. Each person in the room felt as though you were working with them personally."

- Robert W. Elliott,
Former Deputy Secretary of
State; New York State

"You are an inspiring presenter. You make so clear what each of us goes through to deal with the pressures of everyday life. The quality of my own life has been enhanced dramatically as a result. Thank you for this gift."

- Dr. Steven Shama, MD

"...the program was wonderful. My mental attitude is the most positive it has been for a long time!!!!!!"

- Director of University
Campus Planning

"...an unbelievable experience! ... the program helped me to tackle one of my greatest fears."

- Federal Agency State Director

**Now Accepting Bookings
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Contact us today and we'll show you how Burt can bring a powerful Quality-of-Life keynote address, workshop, or seminar, to your organization, association or community!

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Burt Woolf's Narrative Résumé

Burt Woolf is founder and chief principal of the *Center for Quality of Life*, which he founded in 2003 to nurture those who want to live and work in a quality-of-life context. He recently co-founded *Buddhism in Context LLC* where he led an intergenerational service-learning tour to Thailand to promote global citizenship through compassionate service.

Since 1974, Burt has facilitated, coached and advised people, teams, organizations and communities to achieve their full potential. He developed *Accelerated Consensus™*, a citizen-based approach to strategic decision-making that has been used in dozens of public sector quality-of-life initiatives throughout the U.S.. His *8 Principles for Quality of Life, Effortless Leadership™* executive development program and *Living at The Edge* workshops for personal growth help people re-discover their intuitive inner wisdom, so they can lead others productively, without struggle, and find fulfillment and satisfaction, regardless of whatever daunting circumstances they may face.

Professional History

As a consultant, entrepreneur, and chief executive of national and statewide public agencies and private organizations, Burt has led a wide variety of corporate, governmental and nonprofit enterprises. From 2011-2012 he was the interim CEO of Glynwood Center, Inc. a leading nonprofit organization focusing on sustainable agriculture. He was President of **QL Consulting, Inc.** (1992-2008), a national consulting practice he founded to improve quality-of-life for people where they live, work, play, visit, and learn. From 2001-2003 he was Executive Director of the **Creative Education Foundation**, an international organization which is best known for its Creative Problem Solving Institutes and the Journal of Creative Behavior.

Burt has directed and facilitated dozens of quality-of-life enhancement and social change projects for organizations and communities. As Senior Consultant to **Economics Research Associates** (1988-1992), he was the senior facilitator for a wide variety of community and economic planning studies throughout the United States.

As CEO of **Burt Woolf Management, Inc.**, (1983-1988), he designed and marketed the TEAM SYSTEM® Development Package, a fundraising software program that was installed in over 140 nonprofit organizations and public agencies in the U.S. and Canada. As Executive Director of the **Massachusetts Cultural Alliance** (1978-1983), Burt led a 250-member association, providing management services, professional development programs, publications, and public advocacy campaigns. At the **National Endowment for the Arts**, he was Project Director of the CITY SPIRIT Program (1974-1978), which provided funding and consulting assistance for community-based cultural planning in over 200 communities nationwide. Earlier in his career, Burt was a museum administrator.

Publications and Presentations

Burt has conducted professional training programs, facilitated workshops and retreats, and delivered keynote speeches in facilitation, quality-of-life planning, public management, and information technology. His articles have appeared in *The Taft NonProfit Executive, Fundraising Management* magazine, and in the newsletter of the **American Library Association – Allied Professional Associations**. Burt is a regular participant and presenter at the **Creative Problem Solving Institute** and at national meetings of the **American Society of Association Executives**; and he is a featured workshop leader for the **Center for Quality of Life**. He has been a lecturer at **Harvard University, UCLA, Sangamon State University** and **Lesley College**.

Education, Training. Professional Affiliations

Burt earned his EdD. in 2011 from the **University of Massachusetts Amherst School of Education** where he conducted extensive research on adult transformative learning and career theory. Earlier, he received an MS in Management from the **Anderson School of Management (UCLA)** and a BA *Cum Laude*, in Political Science from **Amherst College**.

Burt was a charter participant in the **Harvard University, Institute in Arts Administration**, and is certified in the **Interaction Method** of facilitation. He has been a member of the **Creative Education Foundation**, the **Kripalu Consulting Consortium**; the **American Society of Association Executives**, and the **International Coach Federation**.