

The **National Capital Area Skeptics** and the **University of Maryland Honors Program** present

THE **PSYCHOLOGY** OF ██████████ ██████████ **"PSYCHIC" READINGS**

THEORY, PRACTICE AND SHOWBIZ OF TALKING TO THE DEAD

RAY HYMAN, PH.D. ██████████

██████████ PROFESSOR EMERITUS, UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

9:00AM - 5:00PM, SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2003

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK

TV mediums and best-selling authors claim to talk to the spirits of the dead. How do they do it? Is it some special power?

In this all day workshop, Prof. Hyman will teach you the very non-psychic techniques used by mediums, palm readers, and others who claim these special "gifts." You'll learn the ten secrets of "cold reading"—we only ask that you use your new found powers for good!

Who should attend: Anyone interested in the psychological and physical methods used by those who pretend to have psychic or mediumistic abilities.

Registration: Postmarked by Feb 18 —
University of Maryland students: \$20,
NCAS members: \$30, general public: \$40.
Includes all materials and light lunch.
After February 18, please add \$10.
Optional post-workshop buffet dinner: \$30 (please indicate at time of registration)

Registration form and location information on back.

Ray Hyman is considered the leading constructive critic of academic parapsychology research. A longtime professor of psychology (now emeritus) at the University of Oregon, Hyman has taught about the psychology of belief and self-deception and conducted painstaking critical analyses of published parapsychology experiments.

An amateur magician, he has critiqued experiments with prominent psychics and other psychic claimants conducted by private scientific and government organizations. Despite intense controversies, he has managed to maintain the respect of both parapsychologists and fellow skeptics. As a well-informed outside critic, he is often credited with helping raise the quality of parapsychological research. He has cautioned skeptics on the need to become better informed about the research they criticize.

Dr. Hyman's books include **Water Witching USA** (with Evon Vogt), and **The Elusive Quarry: A Scientific Appraisal of Psychological Research**.



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National Capital Area Skeptics

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Shadow of a Doubt

THE MONTHLY CALENDAR OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA SKEPTICS

MARCH 2003

Registration form: Psychology of psychic readings, March 1, CSIC Building, University of Maryland, 20742, 9am-5pm
 Cut out or duplicate and mail to: March Workshop, NCAS, PO Box 8428, Silver Spring, MD 20907
 Registration fee includes breaks and lunch. Dinner is extra.

Names: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

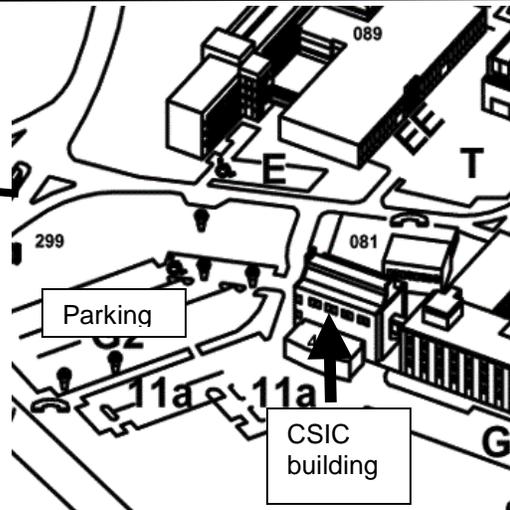
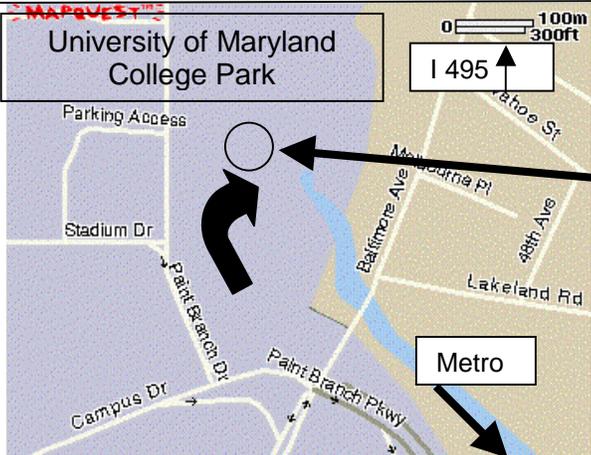
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Early registration fees (Postmarked by 2/22):

- _____ NCAS members@ \$30 = _____
 - _____ Nonmembers@ \$40= _____
 - _____ Fulltime students@ \$20 = _____
 - _____ Buffet dinner (optional)@ \$30= _____
- (Must register by February 18th for dinner)

Regular registration fees (After 2/22):

- _____ Add \$10 for each person _____
- TOTAL** (Enclose check) _____



It is a 10-15 minute walk to the Metro station

Time to renew?

Check your mailing label – **this means you**. If the renewal date has passed, please send \$30 (for 1 person) or \$40 (for 2 member households) for a one-year renewal to the NCAS address below. Multi-year discounts are available – avoid the annual hassle of renewing by signing up for 2, 5 or lifetime memberships. (See rates on website.)

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