

## BRIEF PROFILE OF LEE JAMES

**Lee James** was born on April 1<sup>st</sup> 1960 in Cairns, Australia. He moved from a major in Psychology at Queensland University to Acting. He enjoyed success at the forefront of Australian drama. In 1984, he began a lifelong personal research of human consciousness and personal transformation with the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual Organisation (BKWSO).



In April 1990, Lee moved to Japan to coordinate a meditation centre in Tokyo and work as an independent field advisor to World Health Organization on social trauma and disaster relief.

He has spent the last 20 years touring Asia facilitating programs for private corporations, universities, government institutions and theatre companies. Lee usually conducts more than 500 lectures and workshops in more than 15 countries each year, touring six months of the year.

### Main Lectures

- ASEAN Meetings: 1989, 1990, 1992
- International AIDS Conference: 1993, 1994, 1996
- World Health Organization Annual Meet: 1990 - 92, 1993, 1995.
- Various universities (inc. Seoul, Delhi, Oxford, Sydney, Tokyo)
- Hospitals worldwide and police units

### Cross-cultural Training Workshops

- JALCOS: JAL Academy - 1990- 2003
- Mitsubishi: Overseas manager training - 1994-1995
- Japan Medical Association: In response to Kobe earthquake, January-April 1995
- Tokyo Metro Government: Aids Counseling Centres, 1993-1995
- World Cup 2002 (Tokyo) – assisting in intercultural counseling (Police Dept.).
- 2004 Athens Olympic Games – advisory committee on crisis response.

### International Projects

Half of Lee's counseling hours are part of a United Nations volunteer counselors program. People who have benefited include relatives of victims of the September 11<sup>th</sup> 2001 terrorist attack and sustenance of medical and psychological support and relief teams at site of the December 26<sup>th</sup> 2004 tsunami (Banda Aceh - Indonesia).

As an independent field advisor to government agencies and Non-government Organisations, (WHO and UNHCR), Lee deals with emergencies in the 'field', giving support and training after human or natural disasters, working with both emergency crews and victims.

Notable missions include:

- Aum Shinrikyo (rehabilitation of past cult members) and post trauma for gas victims.
- Bullying and youth delinquency (Japan, India, Spain)
- Kobe earthquake 1995; Taiwan earthquake 1999; Bam (Iran) earthquake 2003/2004.
- Land mine rehabilitation (Cambodia); drug rehabilitation (inc. Thailand; The Philippines).
- Suicide intervention and prevention, inc. youth (Japan, Korea, Spanish Education Dept 2004).
- Hospice support (inc. Philippines).
- Post traumatic stress - training field workers in East Timor (1999, 2000, and 2001)
- Hostage negotiation - Indonesia (2002/03), The Philippines (2001/02); Japan/Iraqi negotiations Easter 2003.
- War Children - youth who've grown up and lost relatives in war, including the Palestinian Territories and Israel.
- **Asian Tsunami** - Banda Aceh - in the field support; Phuket & Phangnga - post-trauma counseling for relief workers.
- Young Adult training Hanoi -creativity, self esteem and innovation workshops (2005)

### Corporate Training

Some of the latest names in the list of companies that Lee has worked with are: Japan Airlines, Mitsubishi Corporation, Qantas Airline, Malaysian National Oil and Petroleum Corporation and The Organisation of Private Security Companies of America.

Last year during his visit to India he conducted workshops at Infosys, Wipro, HCL Technologies, IBM Daksh, Sierra Atlantic, Apollo Hospital, IIT, IIFT, Indian Institute of Science and ICFAI School of Management.