

## *A New Year Note from the Windbridge Institute*



January, 2011 — We began this year once again with gratitude for everything we were able to accomplish at the Windbridge Institute over the last year. In 2008, Windbridge researchers focused on publishing new methods and research. In 2009, we made a dedicated effort to present at scientific conferences and provide interviews and articles to the media. In 2010, we did a bit of both.

In this note, we have included a 2010 Year-in-Review including highlights of Windbridge media, research, conferences, publications, and members' newsletter features with links to the original materials.

We have also included a peek into what is in store for the Windbridge Institute during 2011.

Please feel free to pass this note on to others who may be interested.

We look forward to sharing our progress with you in the coming months. Please make sure you stay connected by visiting:

<http://www.windbridge.org/connect.html>

Best wishes for a year filled with stability, tranquility, and civility,

*Julie and Mark*

Julie Beischel, PhD  
Director of Research

Mark Boccuzzi  
Director of Operations

The Windbridge Institute  
<http://www.windbridge.org/>

### 2010: A Year in Review

#### Research

The majority of 2010 was spent collecting data for our two-year (2009-2010) project titled "Process- and Proof-focused Investigation of Anomalous Information Reception by Mediums: A Two-Part Quantitative Study" funded by the **Bial Foundation**. This project involved the screening of new prospective Windbridge Certified Research Mediums (WCRMs) and a quintuple blind study of WCRMs' abilities to report accurate and specific information about the deceased.

As these **newly screened mediums** finish up their remaining training steps, they will join the current list of WCRMs on the Windbridge Institute website so that individuals interested in having a mediumship reading will be able to contact even more reputable and ethical mediums whose abilities have been tested in a laboratory: <http://www.windbridge.org/mediums.htm>

Books written by WCRMs are available here: <http://tinyurl.com/WCRMbooks>

#### Windbridge Institute Events

##### Online with the Other Side

On October 17, 2010, a sold-out online crowd received "mini-readings" from Windbridge Certified Research Mediums Dave Campbell and Doreen Molloy and individual responses about research from Dr. Julie Beischel.

##### An Online Chat with Julie and Mark

On October 10, 2010, we put on a **free, online event** in which Windbridge Institute members could ask specific questions of Julie Beischel and Mark Boccuzzi, co-founders of the Windbridge Institute.

To take advantage of more members-only events in the coming year, become a Windbridge Institute member today:

<http://www.windbridge.org/members.htm>

## Conferences

Windbridge Institute researchers were presenters or attendees at the following 2010 conferences. (For information about specific presentations, see box on right.)



### Toward a Science of Consciousness 2010

Tucson, AZ, April 13-17

[www.consciousness.arizona.edu](http://www.consciousness.arizona.edu)

International  
Remote  
Viewing  
Association  
(IRVA)  
Las Vegas, NV  
June 18-20



[www.irva.org/conferences/2010/index.html](http://www.irva.org/conferences/2010/index.html)

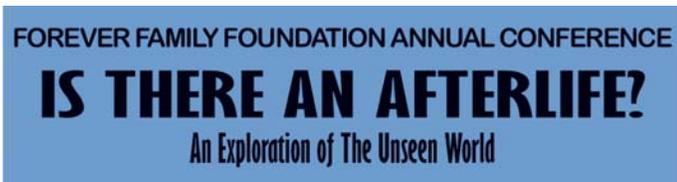


### International Society for the Study of Subtle Energies and Energy Medicine (ISSSEEM)

20th Annual Conference

Westminster, CO, June 25-29

[www.issseem.org/conference.cfm](http://www.issseem.org/conference.cfm)



Fort Myers, FL, November 12-14

[www.foreverfamilyfoundation.org](http://www.foreverfamilyfoundation.org)

## Presentations and Publications

Listed below are Windbridge Institute studies that were presented, published, or released during 2010. Summaries of methods and results are available in the Winter 2010 edition of *Winds of Change*, the Windbridge Institute members' newsletter. For full papers, please visit: [www.windbridge.org/publications.htm](http://www.windbridge.org/publications.htm)

Rock, A. J., Beischel, J., & Cott, C. C. (2009). Psi vs. survival: A qualitative investigation of mediums' phenomenology comparing psychic readings and ostensible communication with the deceased. *Transpersonal Psychology Review*, 13, 76–89.

Beischel, J., & Rock, A. J. (2009). Addressing the survival vs. psi debate through process-focused mediumship research. *Journal of Parapsychology*, 73, 71–90.

Beischel, J. & Rock, A. J. (April, 2010). A phenomenological pathway to an empirically driven distinction between survival psi and somatic psi by research mediums. Presented at Toward a Science of Consciousness 2010, Tucson, Arizona.

Boccuzzi, M. & Beischel, J. (April, 2010). *Old dog, new trick: The effect of animal micro-psychokinesis on quantum events*. Presented at Toward a Science of Consciousness 2010, Tucson, Arizona.

Mosher, C., Beischel, J., & Boccuzzi, M. (April, 2010). *The potential therapeutic benefit of mediumship readings in the treatment of grief*. Poster presented at Toward a Science of Consciousness 2010, Tucson, Arizona.

Boccuzzi, M. & Beischel, J. (2010, June). *Empirically addressing a proposed mechanism behind orbic photographic artifacts*. Poster presented at the 20th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Subtle Energies and Energy Medicine (ISSSEEM), Westminster, Colorado.

Boccuzzi, M. (November, 2010). *Investigations of paranormal phenomena*. Annual Conference of the Forever Family Foundation (FFF): Is There An Afterlife? An Exploration of the Unseen World, Fort Myers, Florida.

Beischel, J. (November, 2010). *The mind of the medium and Live mediumship research reading demonstration*. Annual Conference of the Forever Family Foundation (FFF): Is There An Afterlife? An Exploration of the Unseen World, Ft. Myers, Florida.

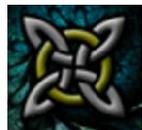
## Windbridge Institute in the Media

Windbridge Institute co-founders Julie Beischel, PhD, and Mark Boccuzzi were featured in a variety of media outlets throughout the year. Links to the original materials are included if available.

### Intro to Mediumship Research Video On-line

A video recording of Julie's invited presentation titled "Mediumship under the Microscope: Science and the Afterlife" for the 2009 Society for Scientific Exploration (SSE) meeting in Charlottesville, VA, became available online in 2010. This presentation is an excellent introduction to modern mediumship research at the Windbridge Institute:

<http://www.windbridge.org/introtalk.htm>



### Daily Grail

In May, Julie began participating as a featured blogger on The Daily Grail website: <http://dailygrail.com/>

### Anything But Paranormal

On May 18th, Mark was interviewed by Katie Mullaly on her internet radio show "Anything But Paranormal."

### Enquêtes Extraordinaires

On May 20th, 2010, Stéphane Allix, founder of the Institut de Recherche sur les Expériences Extraordinaires (INREES; Institute for Research on Extraordinary Experiences), launched a six-part weekly television documentary called "Enquêtes Extraordinaires" ("Extraordinary Investigations") on France's M6 channel. The series premier attracted one million viewers. On June 10, the episode focused on mediumship and "signes de l'au-delà" (signs of the afterlife) and included material from an interview Stéphane conducted with Julie (with her voice dubbed over in French):



<http://tinyurl.com/3664nld>

No English version of the documentary has been produced at this time. A PDF version of the interview (in French) titled "Julie Beischel: les médiums à l'épreuve de la science" (Mediums and scientific testing) was also featured in *2e: le magazine de l'INREES*: <http://www.windbridge.org/papers/2eMag.pdf>

## EdgeScience

### The reincarnation of mediumship research

An article by Julie from *EdgeScience*, vol. 3, Apr-Jun 2010.

<http://tinyurl.com/JBES3p10>

### Can mediums talk to the dead? Can you? Why should we care?

An IONS teleseminar interview with Julie by Dean Radin from June 30th.

<http://tinyurl.com/2cpx82g>

### The World of Parapsychology

The Windbridge Institute is listed on the new World of Parapsychology (WoP) website. WoP is "an international effort to present and promote parapsychology research throughout the globe." [www.thewop.org/?p=1016](http://www.thewop.org/?p=1016)

### Blog posts by Dr. Julie Beischel

#### Afterlife Dance Party (4/24/10)

<http://tinyurl.com/26mpblo>

#### The Two Sally's (5/22/10)

<http://tinyurl.com/25nj2ry>

#### What I did on my summer "vacation" (9/17/10)

<http://tinyurl.com/34whlpr>

#### Mediums in the Media (10/1/10)

<http://tinyurl.com/2e33zep>

#### A Scientist's Spoiler-free Review of *Hereafter*

(10/24/10) <http://tinyurl.com/29b5e9t>

### An Interview with Dr. Julie Beischel

This interview was published in the Academy of Spirituality and Paranormal Studies' *The Searchlight* and also featured on interviewer Michael Tynn's blog:

<http://tinyurl.com/27grcye> and <http://tinyurl.com/2aclnte>

### Helpful Hints for Hauntings

These hints from the Windbridge Institute may help with experiences of haunting phenomena including unexplained environmental changes, sounds, movement of objects, odors and smells, visual phenomena, electrical disturbances, and sensing a presence.

<http://www.windbridge.org/haunt.htm>

### How to Get the Most out of Your Mediumship Reading

An article by Windbridge researchers with tips for optimizing the process for the medium, you, and your discarnate so that a successful reading can take place.

<http://www.windbridge.org/reading.htm>



### Forever Family Foundation Signs of Life Radio

Julie: Can Science Find Afterlife Answers From Mediumship Investigations? (10/14/10)  
Listen here: <http://tinyurl.com/2748v4n>

Mark: Ghosts Are People Too! (10/28/10)  
Listen here: <http://tinyurl.com/2bsf7b5>

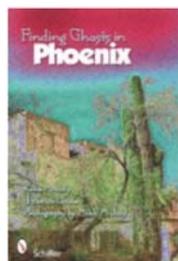
Julie and Mark; Phran and Bob Ginsberg; Claude Swanson, Joanne Gerber, and Janet Mayer:  
Live from the 4th Annual Conference (11/11/10)  
Listen here: <http://tinyurl.com/2f6tpyy>



(L to R) Phran, Bob, Julie, and Mark prepping for the show

### Medium Frequency

An article featuring the Windbridge Institute from the mainstream Australian magazine *Good Health*.  
<http://tinyurl.com/2c282e7>



### Mark Boccuzzi and EVPs

This Q&A with Mark about Instrumental Transcommunication (ITC) was featured as a chapter in *Finding Ghosts in Phoenix* by Katie Mullaly and J. Patrick Ohlde.  
<http://tinyurl.com/2dah2pp>

### 2010 Winds of Change Features from the Windbridge Members' Newsletters

<http://www.windbridge.org/members.htm>

*The Afterlife as an Extension of Lifespan Development*  
by Pamela Rae Heath, MD, PsyD,  
author of *Handbook to the Afterlife*  
<http://tinyurl.com/HeathKlimo>

*Certified Mediums' Experiences with the Afterlife*  
by Julie Beischel, PhD, with Windbridge Certified Research Mediums Samara Anjelae, Dave Campbell, Do-reen Molloy, and Stephanie Ann Stevens

*Studies of Near-Death Experiences  
at the University of North Texas*  
by Janice Miner Holden, EdD,  
co-editor of *The Handbook of Near-Death Experiences:  
Thirty Years of Investigation*  
<http://tinyurl.com/ox2dgo>

*Impacts of the NDE on Non-NDErs*  
by Ryan Rominger, PhD

*Paranormal Programming:  
Less Real than Actual Paranormal Experiences?*  
by Loyd Auerbach, MS  
author of *Ghost Hunting:  
How to Investigate the Paranormal*  
<http://tinyurl.com/26q2l4y>

*The Lives of Ghost Hunters: An interview  
with Katie Mullaly and Mark Boccuzzi*  
author and contributor: *Finding Ghosts in Phoenix*  
<http://tinyurl.com/2dah2pp>

A promotional graphic for Windbridge merchandise. It features a white t-shirt with a ghost illustration and the text 'Ghosts Are People Too!', a white mug with the same ghost illustration and text, and a calendar for August 2011. The calendar has a purple and white color scheme. The text 'www.cafepress.com/windbridge' is at the bottom.

## 2011: Looking Forward

We are very excited to announce that we have been awarded **TWO NEW research grants from the Bial Foundation** in Portugal. One study, titled "Somatic Psi vs. Survival Psi: A Quantitative Investigation of Mediums' Phenomenology comparing Psychic Readings and Ostensible Communication with the Deceased," will take place at the Windbridge Institute in 2011 and 2012. The second project is a collaborative one titled "Cortical and Autonomic Responses associated with Accurate Intuition" in which we will be working with researchers from the Institute of Noetic Sciences (IONS) and the University of California, San Diego (UCSD). This is the second (and third) time that we have been funded by the Bial Foundation and we could not be more grateful! The funding provided by these projects covers about half of the yearly operating costs of the Windbridge Institute. We depend on other grants, memberships, and private contributions to cover the remainder of our expenses.

A paper discussing the results of our project "**Real-time EVP Conversations: A Pilot Study**" which was funded by ATransC [formerly the American Association of Electronic Voice Phenomena (AA-EVP)] has been accepted for publication in the *Journal of Scientific Exploration* and should be published sometime in 2011.

### Research Projects

During the upcoming year, we will be collecting data for the two studies funded by the Bial Foundation listed above.

In addition, we will forge ahead with new research on the following topics:

- mediumship and grief,
- anomalous photography,
- near-death experiences, and
- animal-related psi.

### Events, Conferences, Etc.

There are several conferences we are planning to attend in 2011. Please join our email updates list for more information as it becomes available: <http://www.windbridge.org/connect.html>

## How can you help support important Windbridge Institute research?

- **FREE:** Tell your friends about the Windbridge Institute! Feel free to share this New Year Note!
- **FREE:** Become a fan on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/windbridge.institute>
- **FREE:** Join our email updates list: <http://www.windbridge.org/connect.html>
- **FREE:** When shopping for any items on Amazon, start at our search box: <http://tinyurl.com/WindStore>
- **FREE:** Sign up and use iGive: <http://www.igive.com/welcome/warmwelcome.cfm?c=44583>
- **FREE:** Discover other ways to get involved: <http://www.windbridge.org/connect.html>
- Purchase books from our bookstore: <http://tinyurl.com/windbridgebooks>
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- Buy unique and useful products and gifts: <http://www.cafepress.com/windbridge>
- Make a contribution online -- every dollar helps! <http://www.windbridge.org/donate.htm>
- Attend a Windbridge event: <http://www.windbridge.org/news.htm>



## About the Windbridge Institute

**The Windbridge Institute for Applied Research in Human Potential** is an independent research organization consisting of a community of scientists of varied backgrounds, specialties, and interests investigating the capabilities of our **bodies, minds, and spirits** and how that information can best serve all living things.

Members of our international **Scientific Advisory Board** review research questions and protocols and provide feedback and suggestions based on their expertise.

At this time, Windbridge is primarily interested in research regarding the **survival of consciousness** hypothesis; that is, the theory that an individual's consciousness or personality continues to exist, separate from the body, after physical death. The principal methods for carrying out survival research include: (1) investigating **technologies** that may be useful in enhancing communication with deceased individuals, (2) addressing reports of **haunting** phenomena using both field and laboratory methods, and (3) studying **mediums** (individuals who experience regular communication with the deceased) and the information they report as well as their experiences during the communication.

In addition to survival research, we are also interested in **animal** consciousness, applied **intuition** and **intention**, and complementary and alternative therapies for personal and planetary **health**.

For more information, visit [www.windbridge.org](http://www.windbridge.org) or email us at [info@windbridge.org](mailto:info@windbridge.org)



*“Continued research with mediums is a tremendously important endeavor if it is done appropriately and with rigor; that is, research which involves trained investigators and modern-day research mediums whose abilities to report accurate and specific information have been demonstrated under appropriately blinded laboratory conditions which control for alternative explanations for accuracy. The social, cultural, and political environments in which these mediums perform readings in addition to their actual phenomenology during ostensible communication with the deceased are quite different than those of the mediums studied in the early days of psychical research. The data collected from these current research participants will aid in reframing concepts such as ‘consciousness’ and its relationship to the brain as well as how information may be transferred non-locally. Additionally, the information reported by mediums may be socially useful in areas such as criminal investigations, wisdom acquisition, and grief counseling and recovery.”*

—Julie Beischel, PhD

Director of Research

The Windbridge Institute

in *“The Importance of mediumship research: A variety of perspectives from contemporary investigators of mediumship,”*

*Paranthropology, 2, p. 20*

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