

A Message from the President of the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter, I welcome you to this evening's lecture, **Portraits & Promises in Alzheimer's Disease**, and to the companion art exhibition featuring self-portraits from **The Later Works of William Utermohlen**.

This program is one of a series of initiatives presented by the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter, that uses the visual and performing arts to call for greater public attention to, and understanding of, Alzheimer's disease. It is our desire to inspire, inform, and encourage all of us—persons with Alzheimer's disease, caregivers, advocates, researchers, health care providers, the media, and government officials—to maintain an open dialogue and garner public awareness about this devastating disease.

The artwork that is showcased in our exhibition is by Mr. William Utermohlen, an artist born in Philadelphia in 1933. In 1995, Mr. Utermohlen was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. It was then he started this series of self-portraits, which poignantly and powerfully document the course of his disease and his decline. Through his art, we can see Mr. Utermohlen's attempt to stay connected to the world around him while he loses the ability to communicate in other ways. His work is a testimony to the creative and human spirit that resides in many people with Alzheimer's disease.

Tonight's lecture brings together a distinguished faculty of leaders in the field of Alzheimer's disease along with Mrs. Patricia Utermohlen, the artist's wife, who will offer an art historian's perspective in addition to her role as caregiver. As this year marks the 100th anniversary of the first report of dementia, by Dr. Alois Alzheimer, we reflect on where we have been, and where we are going, in the search for solutions. These lectures will help put into context both the portraits and promises of a better future.

Every day, our work at the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter, requires us to integrate health care, public policy, science, and social services as we strive to reach our goal of creating and sustaining a comprehensive and humane system of care for our community.

Thank you for joining us tonight and we look forward to your involvement in our work.

Sincerely,



Lou-Ellen Barkan
President & CEO
Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter

Faculty



Jeffrey L. Cummings, MD

Director, UCLA Alzheimer's Disease Center
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA
Los Angeles, CA

Dr. Cummings is the founder and Director of the UCLA Alzheimer's Disease Research Center. The Center supports research in imaging, genetics, and clinical and neuroscience research and has an active clinical trials program. Dr. Cummings is also the Director of the UCLA Behavioral Neuroscience and Dementia Research Fellowship and is the founder and Director of the Deane F. Johnson Center for Neurotherapeutics at UCLA. Dr. Cummings' interests involve clinical trials that focus on the development of new treatments for neurodegenerative disorders and other neurologic diseases. He is a worldwide leader in the field and has authored or edited over 20 books and more than 450 peer-reviewed papers. He has broad interests in dementing disorders, neuropsychiatry, neurotherapeutics, and the interface of neuroscience and society.



Patricia Utermohlen, MA

Art Historian
London, England

Patricia Haynes married the artist William Utermohlen in 1965. She obtained her BA from London University and her MA in Art History from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, in 1975. Returning to England in 1975, she became Professor of Art History for Syracuse University's London Program—a position she continues to hold today. She has also taught at the University of Massachusetts' Oxford Summer School and for the City and Guild's Art School. From her husband's old studio in Little Venice, London, Mrs. Utermohlen conducts her own lecture series on current exhibitions in London.



Bruce L. Miller, MD

Professor of Neurology
A.W. & Mary Margaret Clausen Distinguished Chair
Clinical Director of the Memory and Aging Center (MAC)
University of California at San Francisco (UCSF)
San Francisco, CA

Dr. Miller is a behavioral neurologist with a special interest in brain and behavior relationships and has focused his work in the area of dementia. Dr. Miller's work at UCSF links comprehensive patient evaluations to basic research in neuropsychology, neuropsychiatry, neuroimaging, and genetics. His goal is the delivery of model care to all of the patients who enter the clinical and research programs at the MAC.

Dr. Miller has lectured extensively in the area of creativity and neurological disease—as this has been a major area of interest in his research initiatives in patients with specific forms of dementia. The recognition that dementia patients have many strengths is a guiding principle of the MAC.

Dr. Miller is author of the book *The Human Frontal Lobes*, and has multiple publications regarding dementia diagnosis and treatment.



Daniel D. Christensen, MD

Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology
Adjunct Professor of Pharmacology
University of Utah School of Medicine
Salt Lake City, UT

Dr. Christensen has been at the University of Utah since 1965, first as a student and then as a resident in psychiatry. He has been a member of the faculty since 1976. Dr. Christensen's research interests began early in his career when, as a student in the Department of Chemistry and during medical school, his work received numerous research awards. His research interests have since included defining the structure of brain receptors, psychiatric genetics, and the safety and efficacy of medications for depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, and dementia. He is currently focusing his research efforts in the area of Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. He lectures extensively, both in the United States and internationally, on Alzheimer's disease and other topics relevant to geriatric psychiatry. Dr. Christensen is the recipient of many teaching awards, including being named Outstanding Professor at the University of Utah School of Medicine.



Lou-Ellen Barkan

President & CEO
Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter
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Prior to joining the Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter, Ms. Barkan enjoyed a successful career on Wall Street, holding senior executive positions at Lehman Brothers, Citicorp, and Paine Webber. She served Mayor Rudolph Giuliani as his Director of Finance and Administration and was the Chief of Staff to Deputy Mayor Randy Mastro. Ms. Barkan received her BA, Summa Cum Laude, from Hunter College and has an MA from Teachers College/Columbia University. She is married to attorney Mel Barkan and has two grown children and three grandchildren.

Program

6:00 PM to 6:05 PM

Welcome

Lou-Ellen Barkan
President & CEO, Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter
New York, NY

6:05 PM to 6:20 PM

One Hundred Years After Dr. Alois Alzheimer

Jeffrey L. Cummings, MD
Director, UCLA Alzheimer's Disease Center
David Geffen School of Medicine
University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA)
Los Angeles, CA

6:20 PM to 6:50 PM

The Works of William Utermohlen: A Portrait of a Man & His Body of Work

Patricia Utermohlen, MA
London, England

6:50 PM to 7:15 PM

Creativity in the Context of Neurologic Illness

Bruce L. Miller, MD
Professor of Neurology
A.W. & Mary Margaret Clausen Distinguished Chair
Clinical Director of the Memory and Aging Center (MAC)
University of California at San Francisco (UCSF)
San Francisco, CA

7:15 PM to 7:40 PM

Alzheimer's Disease Research—Progress & Promises

Daniel D. Christensen, MD
Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Neurology
Adjunct Professor of Pharmacology
University of Utah School of Medicine
Salt Lake City, UT

7:40 PM to 7:50 PM

Advocating for Persons With Alzheimer's Disease & Caregivers

Lou-Ellen Barkan
President & CEO, Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter
New York, NY

7:50 PM to 8:00 PM

Question & Answer Session

Acknowledgments

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Special thanks go also to the highly distinguished faculty for taking the time to speak tonight and for their continued dedication to working in the Alzheimer's disease arena and to Mrs. Patricia Utermohlen for her commitment to advocating for art, Alzheimer's disease, and her husband's work.

We also wish to acknowledge the following people who have helped to make this program a success: Chris Boicos, from the Galerie Beckel-Odille-Boicos, Paris, France, for his contributions to the exhibition brochure and for making Mr. Utermohlen's paintings available for the exhibition; Patrice Polini, MD, for his descriptions of Mr. Utermohlen's work in the exhibition brochure; the Team from the Philadelphia College of Physicians, for their input based on having created a similar program this year in Philadelphia; Donald Morcone and the staff from The New York Academy of Medicine, for their program support; the Team from US Micron, for producing the program; Richard di Fatta and Michael Robby (for their art direction and design of the program materials, respectively); and to MBL Communications, Inc., and the McMahon Publishing Group for providing program announcement space in their respective medical journals. Thanks also to the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) Team for their outreach efforts.

And, most important, we wish to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to Mr. William Utermohlen for sharing his creative gifts so that we might see the world, for just one moment, in a new and different way.

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New York City Chapter

Presents

An Evening Lecture Event:

Portraits & Promises in Alzheimer's Disease

Wednesday, October 25, 2006

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

The New York Academy of Medicine, Hosack Hall
1216 Fifth Avenue (at 103rd Street)
New York, NY 10029

In Conjunction With the Art Exhibition:

The Later Works of William Utermohlen

On display at The New York Academy of Medicine, Presidents Gallery

Open free to the public

October 22 to October 27, 2006

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

(The exhibition will be open exclusively for registered lecture attendees from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM on October 25.)

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