

## Message from the Chair Couple

Welcome! The 2011/2012 Conference Committee has kicked off the conference planning season and we are all looking forward to this year's conference facilitated by Kate & Joel Feldman. They are very excited about working with us and getting to know all of you at the conference.

Who are we? Have you ever had trouble describing the essence of the conference and the unique sense of community that has been created over the last 44 years? If you have, then you are not alone. When researching potential facilitators, we have found the most difficult part of connecting them with our conference, is providing a description of who the Banff Couples Conference community is, and what makes this weekend unique and special.

To help answer these questions, we are currently conducting a survey to clearly define our culture. The survey questions have been developed by members of the current committee, in concert with active members of our conference community. The focus will be to ask last year's first time participants their impression of the conference, and what they saw and felt while attending the conference.

We look forward to sharing our findings in a future newsletter so together we can promote and describe this special gift of community to others.

If you would like to know more or have comments on this or any of the other work that the conference committee, please let us know by writing to us at [info@banffcouplesconference.com](mailto:info@banffcouplesconference.com)

Mike and Jenn Campbell  
2012 Conference Chair Couple

## Creating Joy & Passion Together Kate & Joel Feldman

Kate & Joel believe the key to joy and passion in your relationship is your ability, as partners, to bring mindful awareness to all your interactions – whether verbal, physical, soulful, playful or even conflictual. During this workshop, we will focus on the art of relational presence – slowing down, creating sacred space together, letting go of agendas and goals, and discovering ways to bring deepened pleasure and aliveness to your partnership.

Kate and Joel Feldman have been helping people transform their relationships for over thirty years. They are a compassionate, skilled, co-counseling and workshop presenter team with training in Imago Relationship, Gestalt, Internal Family Systems therapies, as well as EMDR and Equine Assisted Psychotherapy. They each have a dedicated spiritual practice, including yoga and meditation.

More information is available about Kate & Joel Feldman through their website: [www.consciousrelationships.com](http://www.consciousrelationships.com)

## Conference Registration

The Banff Couples Conference can fill up fast and most years, sadly, we have to turn away disappointed couples.

Registration prices for 2012 are \$250 per couple but you can save \$25 by registering **before November 30, 2011 for \$225 per couple.**

Room costs at Chateau Lake Louise hotel start at \$620/couple for the weekend including meals. Upgraded rooms are also available. You must stay at this hotel to take part in the conference. Please click [this link](#) for the Hotel costs package details.

### How to Register

<b>Step 1: Newsletter &amp; Website Registration</b>	<b>Step 2: Register for the Conference</b>	<b>Step 3: Book Room at Chateau Lake Louise</b>
<p>Create a Member Profile on the website to keep contact information up-to-date and to subscribe to the BCC Newsletter. Click the link below to create your profile.</p> <p><a href="#">Click to Create New Profile</a></p>	<p>Use the Member Login to access your profile and then Register for the Conference. Payments can be made on-line or by sending in a cheque after you have filled out your registration information.</p> <p>March 9-11, 2012 Conference: <a href="#">Click to Register</a></p>	<p>All attendees at Banff Couples Conference <u>must</u> stay at the Chateau Lake Louise. This is due to insurance reasons and so that we can make use of conference rooms at the hotel at minimal additional cost.</p> <p><a href="#">Click this link</a> for Hotel Costs and Booking Info</p>

Conference cancellations received on or before January 15, 2012 will be given a 50% refund of the Conference Registration fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations after this date.

We would prefer that you register using the website, but if you want to send your registration in by mail, you can get a copy of the early bird registration form by clicking here: [2012 BCC Registration Form](#). Print the second page of the brochure, complete the registration information, and mail the registration along with a cheque to register for the conference.

For more information, send us an email at [info@banffcouplesconference.com](mailto:info@banffcouplesconference.com)

### Future Newsletters

We are planning on making use of a feature on our updated website for future newsletters that will send the newsletter in an improved form directly from the website. This will mean that if you do not have a Newsletter Profile on the website, we will create one for you and send you the login information to your email. If you do not want to receive newsletters or if you want to update the profile, there will be a link in the initial email used to setup the profile and links in each newsletter to allow you to make changes. If you have any questions about our plans for future newsletters, please send us an email at [info@banffcouplesconference.com](mailto:info@banffcouplesconference.com)

If you want to take advantage of Early Bird Registration for the March 9-11, 2012 Conference in Lake Louise at the \$225 rate, the deadline is November 30, 2011. Regular registration is \$250 until two weeks before the conference.

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