

History of Sage-ing International

Sage-ing® International (SI) began as a seed planted by Rabbi Zalman Schacter-Shalomi in the fall of 2004. Rabbi Schachter-Shalomi, or Reb Zalman as he was known by many, had a vision of a professional association that would facilitate cooperation and exchange of ideas between current Sage-ing Leaders as well as provide a structure for the training of future Sage-ing Leaders.

Sage-ing International, known from 2004 until 2012 as the Sage-ing Guild, was preceded organizationally by the Spiritual Eldering Institute (SEI), which served as the public face of sage-ing work for over a decade. Following the 2005 closing of SEI, and with the support of Reb Zalman, SI picked up where SEI left off, assuming the role of certifying new Sage-ing Leaders and serving as a networking and support group for approximately 300 Certified Sage-ing Leaders internationally. In addition, SI also serves a membership of more than 3500 who are not Sage-ing Leaders, but have an interest in sage-ing philosophy.

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Certification Program

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Sage-ing Leader Certification Program

Sage-ing® International is dedicated to helping elders reclaim their role as leaders, sharing wisdom and spirit essential to creating a better world for current and future generations.



Sage-ing Leader Certification Program

The Sage-ing Leader Certification Program is structured to provide content and experience relevant to leading adult groups in personal and spiritual development workshops. Interns attend an initial and final training session, complete 15 hours leading community workshops or programs while working one-on-one with a Certified Sage-ing Leader (CSL) mentor, and participate in a monthly Wisdom Circle via video conference. As in the training of all healing practitioners, we must first apply “the practical work of translating theory into practice in the laboratory of our own life.” Sage-ing International faculty have concluded that the introspective inner work and the presentation skills required in the training program take about a year to complete.

Application to the Sage-ing Leader Certification Program

- Read *From Age-ing to Sage-ing: A Revolutionary Approach to Growing Older* by Zalman Schachter-Shalomi with Ron Miller
- Attend a Sage-ing® International Workshop such as
 - *Awakening the Sage Within*
 - *Deepening the Sage Within*
- Complete an application for Sage-ing Leader Certification Program and submit to the Program Coordinator
- Complete the *Exercises for Sages in Training* found on page 267 in the Appendix of the book *From Age-ing to Sage-ing*

Tools Provided for Training

- *Awakening the Sage Within* program materials
- Master copies of copyrighted material
- One-on-One Mentor guidance
- Technology and Marketing Resources

General Process

- Submit application and fee.
- Participate in interview
- Receive notification of acceptance
- Pay tuition
- Attend initial training session
- Be assigned a mentor
- Lead 15 hours of workshops/programs
- Complete Intern/Mentor conversations
- Participate in a monthly Intern Wisdom Circle via video conference
- Receive recommendation by Mentor and Program Coordinator
- Attend completion session, certification ceremony and celebration

Who Would Benefit from this Training?

- Adult Educators
- Clergy and Lay Leaders
- Social Service Professionals
- Health Care Professionals
- Senior Center Directors and Staff
- Residential Community Leaders