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## ANNOUNCING THE 2012 VRSII INTERPRETER EDUCATORS SYMPOSIUM

From its inception, the VRS Interpreting Institute (VRSII) has provided educational and professional development opportunities for both interpreters and interpreter educators.

The 2012 VRSII Interpreter Educators Symposium is a four-day symposium focused on teaching practices that result in increased teacher satisfaction and enhanced student achievement. Keynote speaker, Ken Bain, Ph.D., author of *What the Best College Teachers Do*, will present his research on topics, from what we expect of students to how college teachers evaluate themselves.



**Dr. Ken Bain**

Dr. Bain has served as founding director of four major teaching and learning centers: the Center for Teaching Excellence at New York University, the Searle Center for Teaching Excellence at Northwestern University, the Center for Teaching at Vanderbilt University, and the Research Academy for University Learning at Montclair State in New Jersey. His book is one of the top-selling publications on the subject of college education and has been used by colleges around the world as part of faculty development programs.

The symposium will also offer lectures, interactive discussions, experiential learning and group work taught by interpreter training experts, Dr. Carol Patrie, Dr. Marty Taylor and Sharon Neumann Solow.

The VRSII asserts interpreter educators' leadership shapes the knowledge, skills, and personal attributes of future interpreters who will provide outstanding services to the deaf community. We hope to see you at this outstanding event. Click [here](#) to learn more.

To apply for the 2012 VRSII Interpreter Educators Symposium, click [here](#). Cost of travel, lodging, meals and transportation will be compensated for applicants who are accepted to the symposium.

**Application deadline: Jan. 27, 2012**

### About Carol Patrie, Ph.D.



Dr. Patrie was awarded the Outstanding Graduate Faculty award at Gallaudet University, where she was Professor and Director of the Master of Arts in Interpretation program. While at Gallaudet, she was Project Director for a federal grant focusing on interpreter education in an outreach format for the Mid-Atlantic region. She is past president of the Conference of Interpreter Trainers (CIT) and a recipient of the Mary Stotler Award. Dr. Patrie was one of the founding Commissioners on the Commission on Collegiate Interpreter Education. She serves on the Board of Editors of RID's *Journal of Interpretation* and was recently appointed to the Editorial Board of the *International Journal of Interpreter Education*, published by CIT.

### About Marty Taylor, Ph.D.



Dr. Marty Taylor is the founder and director of Interpreting Consolidated, a company created in 1993 to promote excellence within the field of sign language interpreting. Dr. Taylor is the recipient of the Edward C. Bealer of Merit Award for Outstanding Contribution given by the Association of Visual Language Interpreters of Canada (AVLIC). She holds a post doctorate fellowship awarded by the Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

### About Sharon Neumann Solow



Sharon Neumann Solow has worked throughout the world as an interpreter coordinator, performer, lecturer and consultant. She has authored two books: *Sign Language Interpreting: A Basic Resource Book* and *Say It With Sign..* She co-stars on the Emmy award-nominated NBC Knowledge series, "Say It With Sign." Neumann Solow holds the CIT Specialist

Certificate: Legal, as well as NAD's SIGN Comprehensive Permanent Certificate. She is the 1987 recipient of the Virginia Hughes Award for outstanding contributions to the field of sign language interpreting.