

## Biography of Terry Nicholetti Chief Encourager



***What's a former nun doing in the 70's selling Valium for Hoffmann-LaRoche?***

***She's building her expertise in business development and networking,*** in a career that spans 39 years of sales and marketing, public speaking, writing, and performing. During her six years with the Washington Business Journal, Terry showed business development professionals in over 200 organizations how to use business news to improve their success when making new connections through networking. She won a national award for her seminar, Fill Your Sales Funnel, which was adapted for presentation by many of the 41 papers in the American City Business Journals family.

***During her tenure at the Business Journal,*** Terry deepened her networking expertise through her active participation in organizations such as the Greater Washington Board of Trade, the DC, Rockville, Bethesda, and Vienna-Tysons Chambers of Commerce, and the Executive Women's Roundtable.

***In 2007, Terry decided to work to fulfill her mission:*** to inspire success and healing in others by sharing her own experiences. As an expert in making new connections, Terry developed ***GetWorking Networking,***™ a unique process for overcoming "networking procrastination." Audiences who listen to her humorous stories and learn her simple steps to effective and enjoyable networking activities, end up feeling, "She gets me; I can do that too!"

***More recently, Terry has listened to the advice of her friends, who have enjoyed her custom song parodies and Raps for many years,*** and has decided to offer this service to the general public through her new project, ***Singular Songs***™. Terry has realized that her mission has expanded: to inspire success and healing in herself and others through expressions of truth, love, and laughter. She does this by expressing important stories in an entertaining way, whether through her song parodies or her solo-performance plays.

***As a performer, writer, and stand-up comic,*** Terry specializes in telling stories of her own healing experiences in ways that inspire and encourage healing and transformation in her audience members. Her solo performance, one-act play, ***Dance with Me, Abuelita,*** was a winner in the 2006 MadCap Players Winter Carnival of New Works, Washington, DC, and placed second in The ONE Festival, 2006, produced by Teatro La Tea, New York, NY. She also performed ***Abuelita*** in the 2007 Capital Fringe Festival in Washington, DC. ***Just recently, Terry has expanded her solo performance to a full, three-act play, Holy Trinity, which is currently in workshop in DC.***

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***Terry has earned her CTM qualification in Toastmasters Intl. and is a member of the National Speakers Association.*** She is member of the DC Chamber of Commerce, Yes!Circle, and is affiliated with various other networking organizations. She has served as an authorized representative for the Washington Business Journal, Constant Contact E-Mail Marketing, and Contacts Count Networking Training.

***Terry also serves on the Board Emeritus committee of the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE-DC).*** Terry is the author of Fed Up! (NY, Carroll and Graf, 1993) and has expressed her entrepreneurial spirit by producing and self-publishing a full-color, illustrated children's book, NoraLee's Adventures on Planet Ifwee, and its accompanying GoldStar Magic Family Pen-Pal Kit. She has sold print and radio advertising, newspaper subscriptions, pharmaceuticals, relocation services, fine jewelry, and demographic data packages. Her sales successes include: nearly doubling subscription sales from 260 to 500 in one year; closing a \$60,000 deal with a major utilities company for a brand new relocation product, and outselling the competition in pharmacy orders for a major antibacterial while working for Hoffmann La-Roche.

***Terry was the co-creator of both the SPARC Peer Mediation Program*** and the Tompkins County Alcoholism Council Peer Education Program in Ithaca, New York. One of her most fun achievements was to be selected as one of PEOPLE magazine's 2007 Fifty Most Beautiful Women over 50.

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