

## LEADING

FROM WITHIN

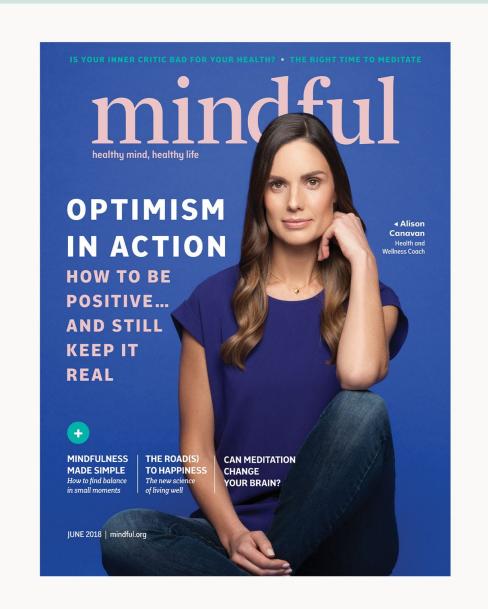
MASTERING

YOUR ENERGY



## MY JOURNEY

- Spoke about postnatal depression and my alcoholism on The Late Late Show
- Created wellbeing shows where I flew in experts on non-toxic skincare from Paris
- Wrote world's first self-care book for new mums
- Meditation teacher and practitioner for over 20 years
- Written 1000s of articles for newspapers, magazines and websites globally





# **BUILDING YOUR LIFE ON A STRONG** FOUNDATION

Year 1Year 2Year 3Year 4Year 5

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"The average person becomes discouraged and quits anything they undertake after one or two failures, while a very great number do not wait for failure to overtake them but quit because of anticipation of failure"

> Mental Dynamite (Andrew Carnegie and Napolean Hill)

## AWARENESS IS THE GREATEST AGENT

## FOR CHANGE



Awareness gives you the power to make different decisions in familiar situations

## Your new best friend.... CURIOSIT Y

### Everything is energy and that's all there is to it.

Match the frequency of the reality you want and you cannot help but get that reality. It can be no other way.

**Albert Einstein** 





### HOW DO YOU

- Spend it
- Save it
- Invest it



**BANK OF THE UNIVERSE** \$100 (to everyone everyday)

Person A: Wakes Up Meditates +\$50 Exercises +\$50 Healthy Breakfast +\$50 Gratitude Journal +\$50 Starts Day = \$300 Person B: Wakes Up Checks Phone\$50 Starts Worrying-\$50 Skips Breakfast\$50 Rushes to Work-\$50

**Starts Day = -\$100** 

Practices to help you **DEPOSIT** into your bank account of energy



- Mindfulness/Meditation
- Movement
- Dancing
- Positive Self Talk
- Being in nature
- Hydration
- Qigong/Yoga
- Community
- Journaling/Reading
- Grounding
- Strong Boundaries

- Having a Daily Rhythm
- Nutritious Food
- Nice Relaxing Bath
- Breathwork
- Gratitude
- Sunlight
- Laughter
- Soothing Music
- Good Sleep
- Sound Therapy

Practices that **DEPLETE** your bank account of energy



- Too Much Screentime
- Social Media/Scrolling
- Mess and Clutter
- Focusing on the past
- Resentment
- Negativity
- Comparison
- Worry
- Gossip

- Poor Boundaries
- Isolation
- Fear
- Inconsistent Sleep
- Processed Food
- Stress
- Overthinking
- Overworking
- Alcohol



## "AN ANXIOUS MIND

### CANNOT EXIST

### IN A RELAXED BODY'

Edmund Jacobson

## **Benefits of Earthing/Grounding**

- Reduces Inflammation and boosts immunity
- Increases energy and reduces stress
- Decreases emotional upset and anxiety
- Pushes off the body's dirty electricity absorbed from electronics
- Improves circadian rhythm (sleep/wake cycle)
- Reduces blood pressure and improves Heart Rate Variability
- · Allows you to disconnect and reconnect with yourself

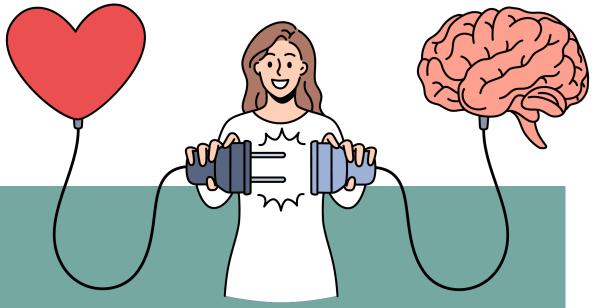


## YOUR SUPERPOWER IS.....

## Your Breath



## Heart-Brain Communication

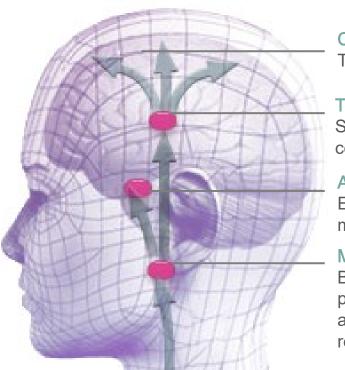


- The heart has its own complex nervous system; the "heart brain"
- The heart sends far more information to the brain that the brain sends to the heart.
- Patterns in the neural signals from the heart especially affect the brain centers involved in perception, sensory motor integration and self-regulation.

## Heart Rhythms

directly impact physical and mental performance.

• The heart's signals especially affect the brain centers involved in social and situational awareness, decision making, and the ability to self-manage.



Cortex Thinking brain

Thalamus Synchronizes cortical activity

#### Amygdala

Emotional memory

#### Medulla

Blood pressure and ANS regulation

Incoherence inhibits brain function

Coherence facilitates brain function

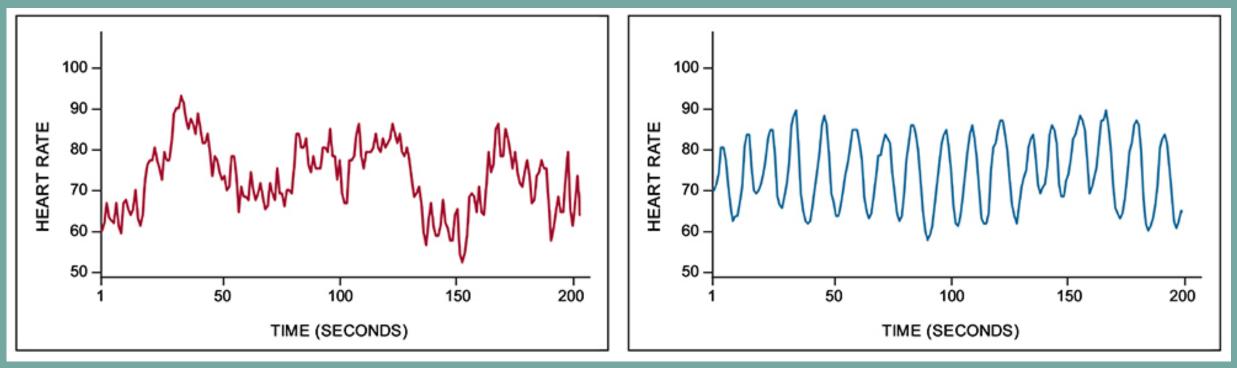
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HeartMath<sup>®</sup> Institute expanding heart connections

### Heart-Rhythm Patterns

**Incoherence** Frustration, Anxiety, Worry, Irritation

**Coherence** Confidence, Appreciation, Love, Courage



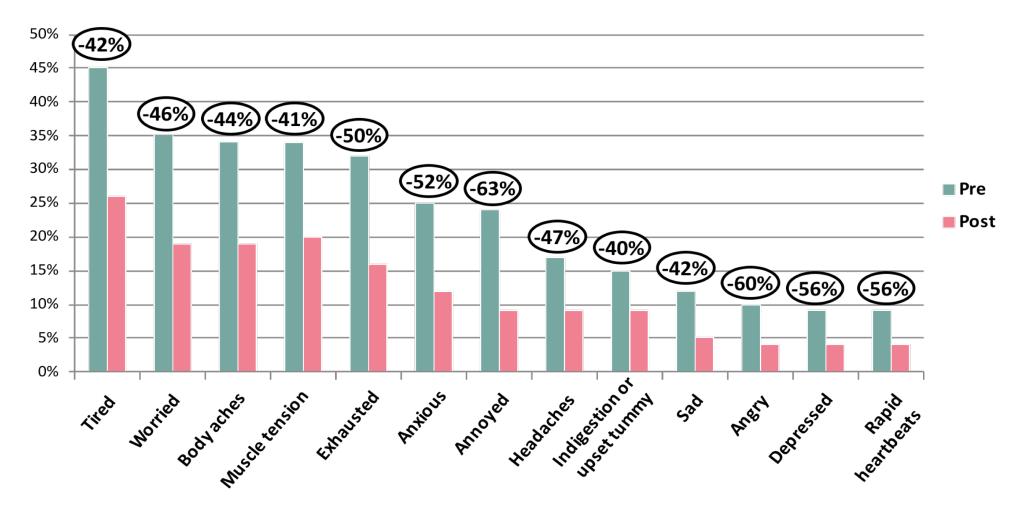
Impairs Performance

Promotes Optimal Performance

### **Clinical Stress Risk Reduction**

Percentage of individuals who responded: "often", "very often" or "always" (n=10,249)

Before and 6 weeks after taking a HeartMath programme

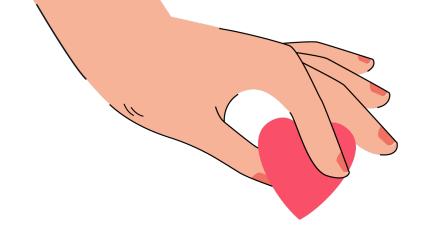


Source: Institute of HeartMath (2015), Boulder Creek, California. Results obtained from analysis of 10,249 people who completed the Personal and Organisational Quality Assessment (Revised) questionnaire (POQA-R) before and 6 weeks after completing a HeartMath programme.

# Focused Breathing

Heart





## TAKE YOUR VITAMIN G DAILY

## YOUR**RAS**AND HOW TO WORK WITH IT



### PRACTICE THE PAUSE

- When frustrated PAUSE
- When tired PAUSE
- When stressed- PAUSE
- When scared- PAUSE

THEN BREATHE BEFORE YOU PROCEED 66

## When you give someone or something your time,

## Why Not Give Them

your presence too?

### MANAGING TIME, DAILY RHYTHM & ROUTINE

- Ditch your phone to get in the zone– no phone for 30 mins when you wake
- Start your day the right way with some presence and calm
- Take notes by hand in meetings, engages the brain
- Get a good night's rest-sleep is where the magic happens
- Take breaks often
- Get fresh air every day
- Stay hydrated and eat well
- End your day with a reflective practice, let go of what no longer serves you
- Wind down with no blue light for at least 60 mins before bed



## ACTION, ACTION, ACTION



## Too much knowledge, not enough action



## Small Moments Matters



You are a beautiful, powerful being who has the potential to make the impossible possible.

You are the writer, director and producer of your life. You are the creator, its all up to you. The only question left to ask is...

Where do you want to go and what would you love to do?



Now go, do it and shine your light bright!

Download my free booklet of resources from my website www.alisoncanavan.com



### Thank You

IS YOUR INNER CRITIC BAD FOR YOUR HEALTH? . THE RIGHT TIME TO MEDITATE

healthy mind, healthy life

OPTIMISM IN ACTION HOW TO BE POSITIVE... AND STILL KEEP IT REAL

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