



International Dyslexia Association Establishes the Gordon F. Sherman Neuroscience and Education Symposium

Honors Former Executive Director of The Newgrange School of Princeton, Inc.

PRINCETON, NJ, Nov. 1, 2018 – The International Dyslexia Association (IDA) has established the annual Gordon F. Sherman Neuroscience and Education Symposium in honor of Gordon F. Sherman, Ph.D., a pioneer in dyslexia research and the executive director emeritus and former executive director of The Newgrange School of Princeton, Inc., a leading network of educational environments and support resources for students who learn differently.

According to the IDA, the symposium has been established to recognize the vision, leadership and contributions Dr. Sherman has made to the International Dyslexia Association and to the scientific knowledge of dyslexia, its educational treatment and legislative efforts promoting effective practices. It will launch in 2019.

Dr. Sherman is known for playing a key role in groundbreaking research establishing dyslexia's brain basis, for coining the term cerebroadiversity and for championing the strengths of novel thinkers. He also is recognized for his engaging presentations spanning the chasm between research and practice and translating seemingly esoteric findings into inspiring messages for families and educators.

Prior to joining Newgrange, Dr. Sherman was director of the Dyslexia Research Laboratory at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and a faculty member in neurology (neuroscience) at Harvard Medical School. He received his doctorate in developmental psychology from the University of Connecticut. Dr. Sherman is a former president of the International Dyslexia Association, a recipient of two of its most prestigious honors (the Samuel T. Orton Award and the Norman Geschwind Memorial Lecture Award), and has been inducted into the Sylvia O. Richardson Hall of Honor. He also is the author of more than 80 scientific articles, reviews, and books.

"Dr. Sherman's scholarship, vision, leadership, and humanity has touched countless lives across the nation, especially the lucky students and families who found their way to Newgrange," noted Carolyn Cowen, board member of The Newgrange School of Princeton, Inc. "It's fitting that the International Dyslexia Association—which Gordon led as president for many years—will honor him at its annual conferences through this symposium."

According to Cowen, the symposium's goal is to inspire future leadership, vision, dialogue, and collaboration within and across the domains of science, education, advocacy, and policy on behalf of students with dyslexia and related learning differences.

"Gordon did much to advance this goal during his career as a neuroscientist and educator," added Cowen. "He is among a handful of pioneers and giants upon whose shoulders we now stand."

Earlier this fall, the New Jersey International Dyslexia Association named a scholarship in honor of Dr. Sherman.

For more information about Newgrange, which is comprised of The Newgrange School of Hamilton, a state-approved private resource for individuals with such learning challenges as autism, Asperger's Syndrome, and dyslexia; The Laurel School of Princeton, which Dr. Sherman founded to assist promising students with dyslexia or other related language-based learning differences; or the Ann Robinowitz Education Center, which provides educational evaluations, dyslexia screening, tutoring, and professional development, contact Kelly Dun, assistant head for external relations at Newgrange at 609.584.1800 x293.

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