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Bio - Shirley Knight



Shirley Knight is the founder of Awake Now, a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization. Awake Now grew out of a non-profit that Shirley founded in 1996 called The Athena Art Project. For 16 years that organization produced an annual music and art festival and other community events such as concerts, art shows, literary readings and social events. For this effort Shirley was honored with a Certificate of Special Recognition from the city of Houston in 2004 and an Extra Mile Award from Uncommon Legacy in 2005.

Prior to founding a non-profit, Shirley produced a show on community access television in which she interviewed accomplished women such as musicians, authors, artists and directors of national organizations. The program won two Access Awards for Programming Excellence.

In 2018 Shirley graduated from Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute with a master's degree in divinity and was licensed as a Unity minister. While in school, Shirley was a founding member of the Unity Ministers Student Association (UMSA) and served on the board. Shirley is now a part-time associate minister at Unity of Houston.

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