



BIOGRAPHY: **Mary Faktor** is a professional actor, speaker and business owner. A member of the Screen Actor's Guild and graduate of The Second City of Chicago & Cleveland Improv Institute, Mary is featured in several films such as AMERICAN SPLENDOR (with Paul Giamatti), YOU ARE HERE (PBS), AND THE WINNER IS...(with Jerry Springer) and the FOX Sports Network Special, LIGHT UP LIKE VEGAS (With Wayne Newton). Mary has been entertaining corporations, associations, hospitals, churches, women's clubs & fundraisers across the country for over two decades with her original one-woman comedy show, "*The Six Ages of Woman.*"

Mary is a member of the International Federation for Professional Speakers, National Speakers Association, National Association of Self-Esteem, and Cleveland Coaches Federation. She is personally trained and certified as a Self-Esteem/Life Balance Coach by Jack Canfield (*Chicken Soup for the Soul; Success Principles*), and also trained with Dr. John Gray (*Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus; What You Feel, You Can Heal*). Mary is certified in Emotional Release Therapy (ERT) by Dr. Walter Weston (*Healing Yourself, Healing Others*), and is a certified REIKI Practitioner. She sees clients on a confidential basis and conducts intimate day retreat workshops at THE ANGEL'S NEST, her life balance Retreat House in Peninsula, OH

Mary has presented her inspirational, interactive, and fun workshops, "*Inner Voices, Smart Choices,*" and "*Venus & Mars Meet Myers & Briggs*" in the U.S. and internationally. From the staff of the prestigious Lincoln School in Buenos Aires to the state conference of DARE Officers in Ohio, Mary incorporates her message of self-growth with humorous anecdotes and selections of thought-provoking poetry from her book, *Inner Voices*. Her accomplishments have been featured on various television newscasts & major newspapers. Mary is active in the Youth Motivation Task Force and speaks pro-bono for Inner City Schools and transitional housing programs.

Her other business, Faktor's Talent Network, Inc. (www.FactorsTalentNetwork.com) provides clean-cut, professional variety talent & creative services to diverse organizations and businesses. Mary has occasionally co-hosted the "Today in Cleveland" television show, and can be seen and heard on various radio and television commercials. In 1995, Mary's boundless energy placed her in the Top 20 Women Business Owners of Northeast Ohio. Mary is married to her husband, Mike Wickiser, and is a proud mother of two adult married children & grandmother of five.

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