



## **AUDIENCE/PRESENTER** **COMMENTS**

*Thank you for sharing your music, art and inspiring stories. Reactions were extremely positive both in regards to your performance and your ability to engage the audience. Thank you for your excellent work and contributions to our program.*

**Elizabeth Curry, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN**

*The Bluestones performed for our statewide cancer consortium, staff, patients, cancer survivors, and the public. Their message of interconnectivity resonated with each audience, and with me. At each performance, I was surprised to find myself in a spiritual place of contemplation and calmness that I rarely achieve during the hustle and bustle of the day.*

**George Weiner, MD**  
**Director, Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center**  
**University of Iowa**

*Rebecca & Robert are eloquent speakers, willing to work in challenging situations with aplomb, and willing to engage in meaningful dialogue with community members, university students, healthcare professionals, university administrators and major program supporters. I cannot express my appreciation enough for what they shared with our community...we are a better community following their visit.'*

**Dan DeWayne, Director, University Public Events, California State University, Chico**

*The program introducing the concept and philosophy of Planetree to our physicians and nurses was absolutely the perfect vehicle for this inaugural season of Planetree at Enloe Medical Center. You are both not only gifted artists, you each are articulate in a truly calm and powerful manner.*

**Trudy Duisenberg, Enloe Medical Center, Chico, CA**

*Robert and Rebecca Bluestone do so much more than present a program...they touch people in a profound way and they make a difference in the lives of those fortunate enough to spend time with them. I can recommend them without reservation to any organization looking for a unique and unforgettable experience. They are incredibly talented and personable with a strong commitment to professionalism and to helping sponsoring organizations meet their objectives.*

**Marion Scott, Director, Corporate Communications, Columbus Regional Healthcare System, GA**

*“There are a few artists that we have the opportunity to present to our community that transcend the aesthetics of what they bring to the stage. Robert and Rebecca Bluestone are two such artists. They have an ability to reach into the core and soul of each audience member through their communication, the passion that they bring to what they do and their ability to personalize their artistry so that all who encounter them can read it uniquely. These are two people who integrate their artistic skills into the essence of who and what we are.”*

**Michael Blachly, Director University of Florida Performing Arts, Gainesville, Florida**

*Words will be completely inadequate in describing how wonderful it was to have Robert and Rebecca here. They are truly exceptional people!...As you know, they have the most extraordinary way of bringing people intimately inside of their art. This was amazing in the hospital. The patients and their family members felt so supported and inspired by them; it was really beautiful to witness. They brought the transformative experience of great art to the patients without any distance or pretentiousness. The patients were really changed by their time with them...I knew they would be wonderful but I never imagined how wonderful!..*

**Jill Sonke-Henderson, Co-Director of the Center for the Arts in Healthcare at Shands Memorial Hospital, University of Florida**

*On behalf of the Society for the Arts in Healthcare, I heartily thank you both for being plenary speakers at **vision+voice: Charting the Course of Arts, Health and Medicine**, the 2006 International Society for the Arts in Healthcare Conference in Chicago. Your presentation... challenged conference attendees to bring the world of the arts, humanities and design fully into healthcare, inspired by your leadership and encouraged through your examples.*

**Gay Hanna, PhD, MFA, Executive Director, Society for the Arts in Healthcare, Washington, DC**

*I just wanted to thank you again for your powerful presentation last Friday night at the University of Missouri. As I said that evening, you so beautifully wove the elements of art, spirituality and health together. You guys just really charged my soul's batteries up again!*

**Gwen Raterman, Associate Director, Center for Health Policy, University of Missouri, Columbia**

*The special evening for women...was a significant success by any measure. This was one of the best events that I think St. John's has ever sponsored. It was only because of your input and your help that this was accomplished.*

**W.C. Dandridge, Jr., M.D., M.B.A., F.A.C.S., St. John's Medical Group, Joplin, MO**

*...you presented two programs at Freeman Health System. I was in attendance at both the morning and evening programs. I believe I was destined to attend...you said things that were profound and I was able to heal a little bit more. You touched many people that night and we are all better for it.*

**Linda, Joplin, MO**

*Needless to say, our entire team was blown away by the beauty of the afternoon and the generosity of spirit exhibited by this blessed couple.*

**Judy Bronleewe, RN, CHTP, Arts in Medicine Program, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute**

