

David Krauss, Ph.D. has been involved professionally with Phototherapy since 1977 and is one of the pioneers in the field, having made contributions as an early advocate and trainer as well as the writer who delineated the theoretical foundations of the field. He taught the first college level course in the subject in 1978, and in 1979 completed his doctoral dissertation, The uses of Still Photography in Counseling and Therapy: The Development of a Training Model. At that time he created the Center for Visual Therapies as a nexus of training and information about the field. He subsequently was the major contributor to the 1983 book Photo Therapy in Mental Health, which he co-edited with Jerry Fryrear, Ph.D. David received a grant from the Polaroid Foundation in 1981 for phototherapy research in partial hospitalization populations. He was a presenter at all International Phototherapy conferences and also organized the first five-day International Phototherapy conference at Kent State University in Kent Ohio in 1982. David, in collaboration with about a half dozen colleagues created the International Phototherapy Association and he served as its first president. He was the Phototherapy Journal's editor for training during its several year tenure. David has written numerous articles regarding both theory and application of this modality and has done presentations and training in America, Canada, and Great Britain. He continues to be pleased to share his enthusiasm and energy for this field. David is a clinical psychologist, photographer and musician.