

SPEAKER PROFILE:

Tod Augusta-Scott, MSW, RSW

ABOUT A BETTER MAN

A documentary co-produced by Intervention Productions and the National Film Board, *A Better Man* follows conversations between co-director Attiya Khan and the man who abused her 25 years ago. Illuminating a new paradigm for domestic-violence prevention, *A Better Man* offers a fresh and nuanced look at the healing and revelation that can happen for everyone involved when men take responsibility for their abuse. It also empowers audience members to play new roles in challenging domestic violence, whether it's in their own relationships or as part of a broader movement for social change.

Media Coverage

- *International Journal of Narrative Therapy*
- *CBC World at Six*
- *Vulture*
- *Globe & Mail*
- *Huffington Post*

Testimonials

“This is one of the best workshops I have attended.”

“[Tod’s] process allows men to be honest and speak to their values and be held accountable to their values. The process keeps it real and provides a baseline of expectations of men.”

Select Publications

- *Innovations in Interventions to Address Intimate Partner Violence: Research and Practice*
Routledge Press, 2017
- *Narrative Therapy: Making Meaning, Making Lives*
Sage Publications, 2007

ABOUT TOD AUGUSTA-SCOTT

Tod Augusta-Scott is the counselor who works with Attiya and Steve in *A Better Man*. Tod is known internationally for his restorative approach to sexual harassment and intimate partner violence. He is the Executive Director of Bridges Institute, a domestic violence counseling centre in Nova Scotia, and a civilian therapist with the Canadian Armed Forces. Over the last twenty years, Tod has published and presented his work in Canada, Asia, Europe, British Isles, and the United States. He is also the co-founder of the Canadian Domestic Violence Conference.

KEYNOTES & TRAINING

Tod is available for keynote addresses and training on helping men take responsibility to repair the harms they have created after intimate partner violence or sexual harassment. Along with keynotes and training, Tod also conducts confidential restorative conversations with professional athletes, politicians, business people, military units, universities, government departments and those in the entertainment industry.

Tod’s keynotes and training focus on how a restorative approach can help men to help the women they have harmed. The process involves conversations that hold men accountable to the women they have hurt. Women are asked to communicate the effects of the harassment and abuse on themselves and others. They are also consulted about what they want men to do in order to remedy the harms they have suffered. This collaborative process helps men acknowledge what they have done, study the impact of the abuse so they can meaningfully repair the damage caused and, finally, help them create a plan to prevent it happening again.

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