

Nanci Luna Jiménez is recognized regionally, nationally, and i nternationally for her highly effective and insightful training, inclusive facilitation, and dynamic speaking with groups of diverse ages, industries, and cultural backgrounds. Following her passion, she founded <a href="Luna Jiménez Seminars & Associates">Luna Jiménez Seminars & Associates</a> in 1994 to design and deliver unique programs that encourage individuals in their process of personal transformation, releasing individual initiative to create a more just and equitable workplace and world.

From members of US Congress, chiefs of Amazonian indigenous tribes, and Executive Directors to early childhood educators, students of every level and leadership fellows from every sector; from one-on-one coaching, intimate groups of 10 or less to over 1000 participants; from in-house training to multi-lingual, multi-

national events, Nanci has touched the lives of tens of thousands by offering them tools and frameworks that transform their lives.

Nanci's unique approach to diversity, inclusion and social justice continues the legacy of work that <a href="mailto:Dr. Erica Sherover-Marcuse">Dr. Erica Sherover-Marcuse</a>, who coined the term "unlearning racism," began and <a href="mailto:Lillian Roybal Rose">Lillian Roybal Rose</a>, M.Ed., recognized Cross-Cultural Communication specialist, continues. This approach empowers participants to take pride in their own heritage as a means of building alliances with others. Nanci uniquely combines this training along with methodologies developed by the <a href="mailto:Institute for Cultural Affairs">Institute for Cultural Affairs</a> (ICA), an international organization that provides training and facilitation in participatory group leadership processes for sustained organizational and social change. A <a href="mailto:Certified Professional Facilitator@">Certified Professional Facilitator@</a> since 2006, Nanci facilitates individuals and groups to look freshly at where they might be stuck while supporting them to make transformational changes they envision through: personal healing, cross cultural communication, group consensus, organization inclusion, and short and long term planning and implementation.

In 2016 Nanci was a Fellow in the <u>Presidio Institute's Cross Sector Leadership Program</u>. Also that year she completed the <u>Social Justice Yoga Teacher Training (SJTT)</u> with the <u>Delivering Accesible Yoga Alternatives (DAYA) Foundation</u> based in Portland, Oregon and participated in the <u>Social Justice Training Institute (SJTI)</u>. In 2006 she completed the Executive Leadership Program through the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and the Center for Creative Leadership in Brussels, Belgium as a National Hispana Leadership Institute (NHLI) Fellow. In August 2001 she attended the <u>United Nations World Conference against Racism Non-Governmental Forum</u> in Durban, South Africa as a delegate with United to End Racism (UER). In 1995 she served as an international observer for the Haitian presidential elections. She was a Ford Foundation Fellow and a Ph.D. candidate at the University of California, Santa Cruz, and received her BA *cum laude* from Yale University. She also attended the Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto de Río Piedras and completed El Programa Interdiciplinario de la Mujer at the Colegio de México in Mexico City.

Of Puerto Rican and Chicana heritage, Nanci was born in Detroit, MI, and raised in Detroit and Tucson, AZ. When not facilitating and training with LJS, you can find Nanci doing Bomba – an Afro Puerto Rican dance and drum tradition, practicing yoga—on and off the mat—weight lifting and training for half marathons.

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