Craig Valentine, MBA, an award-winning speaker and trainer, has traveled the world helping speakers, executives, and salespeople turn their presentations into profits. Known as **the Master Storyteller**, he is a professional speaker and has spoken in the United States, Taiwan, Canada, Jamaica, Qatar (Doha), England, Bahamas, Hong Kong, China, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Australia, India, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, South Africa, Japan, and Ireland, giving as many as 160 presentations per year. He is the **1999 World Champion of Public Speaking** for Toastmasters International, winning out of more than 25,000 contestants in 14 countries.

Craig is also the co-author of the Amazon.com #1 Bestseller, World Class Speaking In Action.

He has used his speaking success formulas to:

- win Salesperson of the Year (3 times) for Glencoe/McGraw-Hill's Mid-Atlantic Division
- become an award-winning management trainer for one of the most prestigious and largest seminar companies in the United States (averaging an industry-leading 5.85 on a 6.0 rating scale)
- produce sales years of 233%, 157%, and 152% of goal for Glencoe/McGraw-Hill
- sell more than \$8 million in educational resources in a single year
- win the Rising Star salesperson award as a rookie with Glencoe/McGraw-Hill
- win Events Manager of the Year for the National Small Business Council
- win a **Congressional Achievement Award** from the United States Congress for excellence in communications
- earn the Distinguished Alumni Award from Johns Hopkins University
- receive hundreds of speaking awards from Toronto to Taipei
- help the United Way of Central Maryland exceed its \$45 million fundraising goal in the year 2000 by training their Loaned Executives to present with influence

Craig is the President of The Communication Factory, LLC, which is an award-winning company that helps people present and profit. A partial list of Craig's clients include:

American Payroll Association (APA)

Anne Arundel Community College

Arkansas Realtors Association

Baltimore County Public School System

Bloomberg BNA

Boston University

Business Clubs America (BCA)

CareFirst

CareFirst Blue Cross/ Blue Shield

CertainTeed

Circuit City

Colonial Athletic Association (CAA)

Colorado School of Mines

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Communication Workers of America (CWA)

Department of Veterans Affairs

Dental Sleep, MBA

District of Columbia Housing Authority

DuPont Pharmaceuticals

Educational Systems Federal Credit Union

FINRA (Financial Industry Regulatory Authority)

Grants Managers Network

Great Plains Young Professionals Summit

Howard County Public School System

HSBC (Hong Kong)

International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA)

ISCU

Jackson National Life Distributors, Inc.

Jackson State University

Johns Hopkins University

Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (APL)

Leadership Nevada

Learning Resources Network, Inc (Lern)

Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development

MASCA

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Massachusetts Municipal Police Institute (MPI)

McDonalds Corporation

McMaster University (Canada)

Minnesota Association of Financial Aid Administrators (MAFAA)

MISA Ontario Annual Conference

Mississippi Tourism Association

Montgomery County Public School System

NASA

National Association of Credit Management

National Cemetery Administration

National Sales Network

National Sales Network (NSN)

National Security Agency (NSA)

National Speakers Association (several chapters)

Novo Nordisk

NovoNordisk

PowerStrides Conference

Principal Financial Group

Project Management Institute (PMI)

Raytheon

Raytheon

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Rodan & Fields

Saint-Gobain

Signature Consulting Group

Social Security Administration (SSA)

State of Oklahoma Career & Technology Education

Sychumash Foundation

Texas A&M University

The Williams Companies, Inc.

TIBCO – Spotfire

Toastmasters International

Tuskegee University

U.S. Army (128th Aviation Brigade)

U.S. Army Evaluation Center

U.S. Department of Justice

U.S. Pretrial Services Office

U.S. Probation Office

United Healthcare

United Way

University of Denver

University of Houston

University of Michigan

University of Phoenix (in Columbus, Cleveland, Minneapolis, and Raleigh)

University of Pittsburgh

Author

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