DOUG MANUEL Collaboration In Action

Speaker Biography



Doug Manuel is a speaker and performer specialising in fostering purpose driven engagement and collaboration. He has performed at TED Global and with Oprah, and for 3 decades he has been delivering interactive virtual and in-person programs for fortune 500 companies and leading business schools around the globe.

His clients include HBS, The World Economic Forum, LVMH, Google and literally hundreds of others.

The foundation of his work draws on the timeless wisdom of rural Africa where he has traveled and lived for more than 25 years pursuing his passion for West African music and culture.

He is the creator of 'Do You Speak Djembe?' an award nominated stage show (Chicago JEFF Awards). An ex-BBC documentary producer of 8 years, he has recently returned to film making to produce a documentary for Netflix (BEATS AS ONE) about the cure to the loneliness and isolation epidemic.

His not for profit 'Lighting Up Lives', encourages partnerships with rural villagers across West Africa inspiring and supporting local action to solve local problems putting words into action.