#### **Nancy Christiano**

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#### Terry Tamminen, CEO, Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation

"Nancy "walks the talk," caring deeply and authentically about the environment and inherently understanding the importance of empowering women in order to help affect positive change in the world. She is both a visionary and an implementer. I have been especially impressed by her ability to encourage NGOs, foundations, and corporations to work together collaboratively. Her confidence, persuasiveness and diligence is cloaked in an envelope of humility and poise."

#### Fulton (Tony) Gale III, Corporate Architect, Starbucks

"Nancy always brings thoughtful, innovative, and elegant solutions that connect the right people with the right projects and funding. Most importantly, her ideas are presented with an open mind and a delightful sense of humor."

#### Bill Ritter, Anchor WABC-TV Eyewitness News, New York

"She is a master at bringing people together - a kind of modern day muse - who has this unspoken sense of forging connections that will work. Mama Kass used to do it. One day she invited Crosby, Stills and Nash to her house - three guys without bands at the time - and asked them if they wanted to jam. They did and the rest is history. Nancy has that same kind of intuitive sense of connecting people and she uses it to the good of humankind."

#### Michael Kinch, PhD, Vice Chancellor, Washington University, St. Louis

"Nancy is the ultimate "connector." I met Nancy earlier this year, one of the few positive outcomes of the COVID-19 pandemic, and have been absolutely amazed at how she has been able to promote interactions and with a variety of different people. Nancy has an infectious enthusiasm and is one of the rare people in this world (and we need more), who are devoted to making the world a better place.

## James R. Doty, M.D., Founder and Director of Center for Compassion and Altruism Research Center and Professor of Neurosurgery-Stanford University School of Medicine

"Nancy is an uber connector and has an incredible network. I have worked with her closely and her work ethic is extraordinary. We have worked on a number of initiatives together and I am always impressed with her insights, thoughtfulness and can do attitude."

# **Peter Samuelson, Producer, Philanthropist, President and CEO PhilmCoMedia.com** "Nancy is a Connector . . . a very high level Crossroads of the Universe. I am so glad she is in my life; career and philanthropy are through relationships, and her introductions are golden."

#### Sister Joyce Meyer, Board Member, Hilton Foundation

"Nancy has a vision and depth of empathy that pushes her to seek ways to make the world better for everyone, as the UN SDGs commend, "leaving no one behind." Her initial thoughts are always about solutions that can change seemingly impossible goals

into new realities. I love working with Nancy. She is enthusiastic and her confidence in the goodness of others fosters a wonderful sense of humor and hope for futuristic thinking. She never disappoints."

#### Kevin Surace, CEO, CTO, Innovator, AI, Board Member, Keynote Speaker

"I have known Nancy for many years. Nancy is a mega connector and someone hard to say no to. She is brilliant, concerned, and a human of wonderful spirit. She understands climate, women empowerment, world change. Humble and confident. A rare person in a challenging world."

#### David Allison, Senior Campaign Director, Oceana

"In everything she does, Nancy commits her mind, her heart, her soul and her full attention. Her smile is real and infectious. Her words are direct and honest. Her vision is clear. Nancy has done many wonderful things in her career, but more valuable than anything she has done is something that she has demonstrated over and over in her life: Nancy is a truly good person."

### **Bruce Armstrong Taylor, Founder DXPlanet 4.0, Managing Director Smart Nations Foundation**

"Nancy and I have worked closely on the development of the SmartNations Foundation, formed to bring sustainable Digital Transformation technologies and digital infrastructure to the enablement and support of UNSDG projects and programs at all levels of "community". I could not possibly ask for a better team partner in this kind of knowledge network and communities of professional practice development.

#### Keith Williams, Senior Vice President, Entrepreneur's Organization

"Nancy is a strategist, networker, connector of people and ideas. Her success is built upon the desire to help others. Whether it is raising funds, identifying a speaker for an event or introducing people who she believes need to know one another - it all comes from the depth of her love and truly wanting to make the world a better place. She is a powerful and wonderful woman!"

#### Herbert M. Bedolfe III, Executive Director, Marisla Foundation

"I have known Nancy for about ten years both professionally and personally and I would recommend her for any position that demands attention to detail, background knowledge of many issues, and an engaging personality. Ms. Christiano has experience in environmental issues and social causes and is a self-starter. In addition to being well-read and a good writer, Nancy has a naturally positive attitude which makes her an especially good ambassador with organizational partners and donors. In sum, Ms. Christiano would be an excellent colleague who can be trusted with high level assignments."