Cloé Madanes

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Cloé Madanes exudes a sophisticated, charismatic style. She energetically offers her definitive positions and her strong postures, especially on the rights of children. Seeing and listening to her becomes an experience of motivation and learning wrapped with appreciation for professional development. She knows how to take ideas and expand them, exploring the limits of professional understandings.

Well-known in the Ericksonian arena, Madanes has presented dynamic keynote speeches at many of our Congresses. Her professional endeavors are diverse: She is Director of the Program for the Prevention of School and Family Violence at the University of San Francisco Center for Child and Family Development. She is known for her work on the Council for Human Rights of Children. Nationally and internationally, she has spoken in a large number of professional forums and is now a speaker for Global Issues and Communications with the U.S. Department of State International Information Programs. She is also Director of The Robbins-Madanes Center for Strategic Intervention.

Madanes received her License in Psychotherapy from the University of Buenos Aires and later was granted an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from the University of San Francisco. Her ideas and approaches to strategic therapy have been built upon an array of approaches including strategic family therapy, which has its foundations in Erickson’s work. Her tenacity for investigation and her clarity of expression have earned her the reputation as one of the seminal figures in family therapy. Author or co-author of five books that have been translated into more than ten languages, her works: Strategic Family Therapy; Behind the One-Way Mirror; Sex, Love, and Violence; The Secret Meaning of Money; and The Violence of Men are all considered to be classics in the field of psychotherapy.