



# Helen Harkness, Ph.D.

futurist, researcher, speaker & author of

*The Career Chase* (1997),

*Don't Stop the Career Clock* (1999), and

*Capitalizing on Career Chaos*  
(2005)

## About Helen Harkness, Ph.D.

Helen Harkness is a pioneer in career management who founded Career Design Associates Inc. in 1978. A superb strategist and a resourceful catalyst, she spurs others to act, while providing resources and realistic direction for the process of change. She is a visionary, intuitively synthesizing extensive research and developing viable ideas for the future, and resourcefully programming action to achieve that end. She is a devoted grower of people and ideas.

Helen Harkness is regularly quoted in major publications, including *USA Today*, *Financial Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Good Housekeeping*, and scores of others.

A dynamic, witty and experienced presenter and teacher, Helen Harkness exhibits an uncanny ability to read and speak directly to the issues of each audience. She is equally highly effective with small groups and large assemblages. Dr. Harkness is available for workshops, seminars, and keynote presentations.

## Audience Response

"Dr Harkness is a dynamic, entertaining, provocative speaker. You will enjoy and learn from her research in career development, change, aging and futuristic trends in careers and life." –ASTD Perspective, 11/98, Dallas Chapter

"The instructor was charming – had a great sense of humor, was empathetic and knew her stuff." –Re-careering class participant, SMU, May 2000

"Wonderful, the old bat grabbed our attention, held it tight and inspired us all to get older – loved her and moved by her humor, insight and absolute resolve."

"Thank you – such an important topic, best workshop of the conference, research-based, theoretical, social-cultural, multi-dimensional, interesting, provocative – presenter was fun, humorous, knowledgeable, and passionate – a sheer delight ...."

"What can we say? It was unanimous! You are the "smash speaker of the year" at the downtown Rotary Club of Dallas. Truly, Helen, you were sensational. As a club, we do not recall a standing ovation for a presentation. You got it ... you deserved it! You are a real Dallas treasure. Thank you again for sharing your zest for life and attitude for living .... Good luck in all your future endeavors." —Bettye A. Rodgers, Program Committee Member, June 2000



## Presentation Topics:

- Capitalizing on Career Chaos
- Shattering the Mindless Myths of Aging
- Re-Career: Redefining and Rethinking Retirement
- Creating Career Options
- Turn the Page on Age
- Entrepreneurship: Search for Meaning, Money, Creativity and Control

- "Wonderful, energetic speaker – what a delight."
- "... she had a lot of experience to share."
- "Great speaker ... really enjoyed it."  
–WITI (Women in Technology International)  
National Conference, July 2000