



Stephen Marcus, is the founder/codirector of Sacred Ground, www.sacredground.us, an online interactive meeting place for experiencing the consciousness we come from and form together.

Stephen's life intertwines a series of early spiritual awakenings with work in the academic and scientific research field: he received his PhD in Experimental Psychology from Cambridge University in England in 1976, working on the human perception of speech, using some of the earliest computer speech synthesizers as tools. During a decade at the Philips/University collaborative Perception Research Institute (IPO) in Eindhoven, the Netherlands, Stephen combined his academic and teaching work with visits to the Findhorn Community in Scotland and setting up the "One Earth Nederland" Foundation networking together individuals and organizations already opening to a new consciousness on our planet.

A decade in the Netherlands was followed by a decade working at AT&T Bell Labs Research in the US focusing on the use of computer speech technology in the public phone network. Stephen was the inventor and coauthor of an early and long expired US patent which underlies the speech recognition services now in common use.

In 2001 Stephen met the late Dr Isa Lindwall and his wife Yolanda who were sharing their soul-guided "Freedom Through Releasing" process while voyaging to Machu Picchu and Lake Titikaka. He began working with their Lindwall Foundation (www.releasing.org) sharing their work and the direct access to consciousness which it provides to groups around the world.

After the passing of Dr Lindwall in 2007 and with the emergence of social media and widespread availability of internet access, Stephen created the Sacred Ground site in 2010 using early group video technology (and later Zoom) as a vehicle to bring people together globally in a space of mutuality and shared awakened consciousness.

This has continued to be his main focus to this day.