

## **Karen Shanor, Ph.D.**

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Dr. Shanor has served on a number of national advisory boards, co-chaired the organizing committee for Georgetown University's International Conference: "The Brain and Communication," and taught from 1998 - 2012 at Georgetown with internationally renowned neuroscientist, Dr. Karl Pribram, her former professor at Stanford. She's writing a book on perception based on her work with Georgetown's Professor Patrick Heelan as well as another book highlighting the important contributions of Drs. Karl Pribram and Walter J. Freeman. Her recent bestselling books include *The Emerging Mind* and *Bats Sing, Mice Giggle: The Surprising Science of Animals' Inner Lives*.

