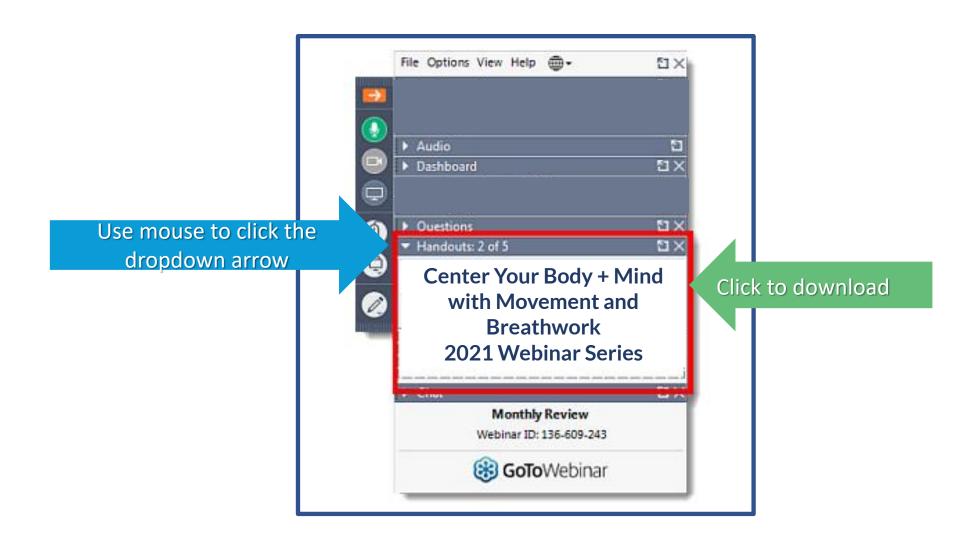
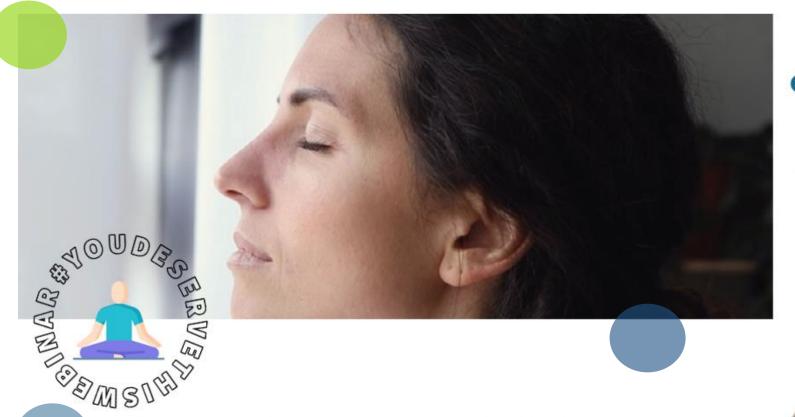
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# Center Your Body and Mind with Movement and Breathwork

with Well-Being Coach + Consultant Alisha Leytem

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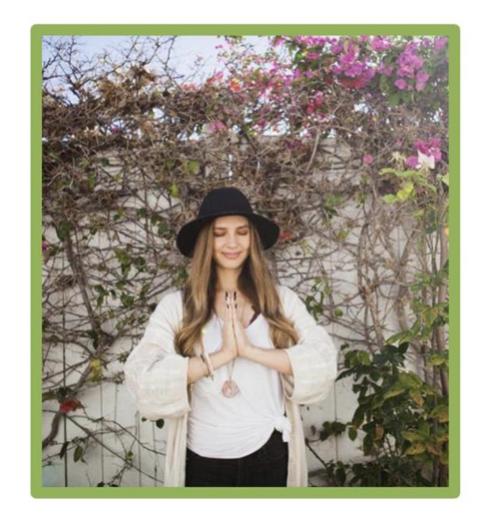
Certified Wellness Coach [Mayo Clinic, 2015]

Certified Yoga Teacher [2014 - Present]



#### **PERSONAL INTERESTS**

Hiking, Cooking, Mindfulness, Traveling



#### "6 Shining Steps to Well-Being"

Well-Being: The state of feeling well; good mental health, high life satisfaction, sense of meaning and the ability to manage stress STEP 5 LIVING WITH INTENTION AT WORK AT HOME STEP 4 BENEFITS OF **MEDITATION &** MINDFULNESS IN STEP 3 GRATITUDE AND THE WORKPLACE GROUNDING FOR STEP 2 PERSONAL GROWTH CENTER YOUR BODY + MIND WITH STEP 1 MOVEMENT & THE CONNECTION BREATHWORK BETWEEN EATING AND ENERGY SLEEP BETTER & STRESS LESS FOR SUCCESS

# "Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape"

- unknown



#### **A Self-Reflection Moment**

When was the last time you moved your body in some way?

How often do you take a conscious deep breath per day?

• On a scale of 1 - 10, how stressed does your BODY feel?



#### **Stress: Acute vs Chronic**



• Acute Stress: Immediate reaction to a threatening situation

 Chronic Stress: Continuous ongoing stress that isn't triggered by danger or life-threatening event

Chronic stress can result in long-term damage in the body thus causing physical symptoms such as headaches and constipation, as well as general wear-and-tear. What makes chronic stress so damaging to our health and to our body is the presence of a third stress hormone called cortisol. Unlike adrenaline and norepinephrine, cortisol can linger throughout your body all day. Excessive levels of cortisol can lead to a number of physical health problems such as digestive problems, inflammation, weight gain, hormone imbalances, heart disease and diabetes.

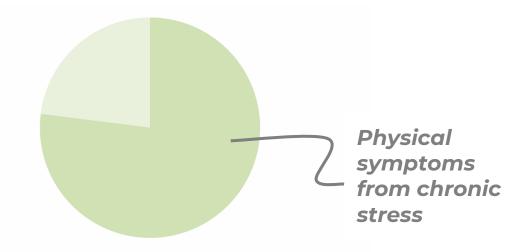


#### **How Stress Shows Up In The Body**

77% of Americans report experiencing physical symptoms from their chronic stress

- Fatigue (51%)
- Headache (44%)
- Upset Stomach (34%)
- Muscle Tension (30%)

Americans tend to be chronic shallow breather into your stomach and full lung capacity)



Do any of these apply to you?



#### **How To Release the Effects of Stress**



When you breathe deeply, it sends a message to your brain to calm down and relax. The brain then sends this message to your body. Those things that happen when you are stressed, such as increased heart rate, fast breathing, and high blood pressure, all decrease as you breathe deeply to relax and the way you breathe affects your whole

body

**Learn How to Breathe** 

# Regularly Move Your Body

Regular movement improves production of endorphins, improves your mood and self-confidence and helps to release the day's stresses and irritations. This gives you a sense of control over your body and life by releasing stress and becoming more calm and clear.

# Release of the Effects of Stress



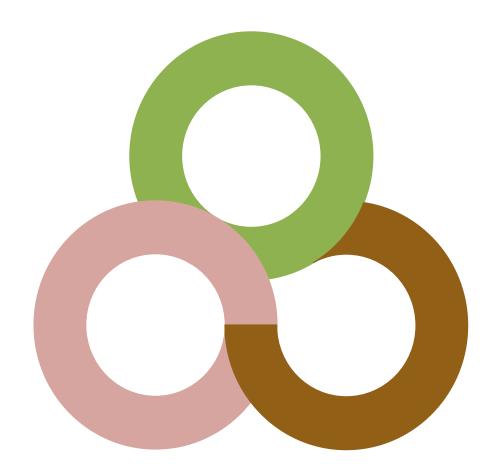


#### **3 Breathwork Techniques**

Full Belly Breath

• Alternate Nostril Breath

Square Breath

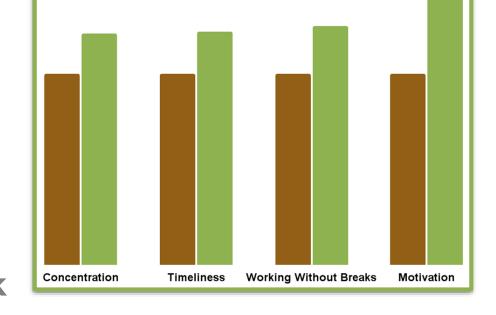




#### **Moving Your Body To Increase Productivity**

A study from Bristol University Found that on workout days:

- 21% higher concentration at work
- 22% higher for finishing work on time
- 25% higher for working without breaks
- 41% higher for feeling motivated to work



Good news: Research found that less time and intensity (10 - 20 mins a day) is best for greatest productivity benefits



#### What Movement Style is Best?

Choose a movement style that **feels** a certain way and sounds like fun!

Lean into what is unfamiliar to you (opposite style of movement to your daily routine)

Try to do what will balance your current energy

- Are you feeling stressed and overworked? Try yoga.
- Want to feel stronger and confident? Try strength training.
- Need to have clarity + simplicity? Walk





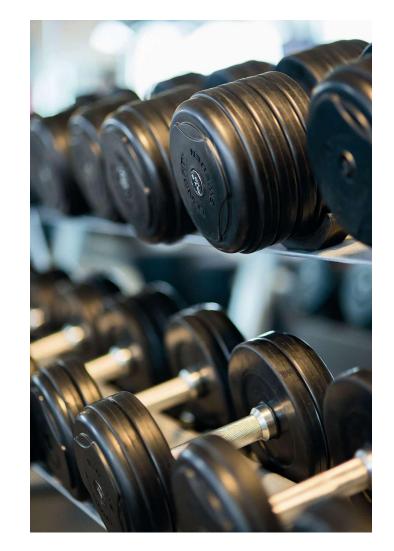


#### **Movement to Feel Strong + Confident**

#### 1. <u>Lift Weights / Strength Train</u>

If you'd like to feel stronger and more confident at work and with yourself, lifting weight will help to achieve this! This can be as little as 20 mins a day, 3x a week (even over lunch!)

Try this: Challenge yourself to strength train! Find a program online to do at home (we like Tone It Up or Fitnessista), or attend a weight lifting group workout class.



#### Movement to Feel Open and Able To Go With The Flow

#### 2. Practice Yoga

Sun Sal Practicing yoga supports you in feeling more open, flexible and "laid back". If you're struggling with being too structured and a lot on your plate, try yoga to create some space in your life.

Try it: Simply doing Sun Salutations everyday can improve your flexibility. Restorative yoga is perfect to tap into the parasympathetic nervous system and to balance overworking.





#### Movement to Feel Uplifted and Energized

#### 3. Walk or Hike

Walking has more benefits than it gets credit for. Ever heard someone say "I had an idea on my walk"? The more you walk, the more energized and clear headed you'll feel.

Try it: Add in a 10 minute walk into your day. This can be a family walk outside after dinner or a walk outside after lunch before getting back to work.





### **Think Differently About Moving Your Body**

- Move to experience a moving meditation
- Ask yourself: How do I want to feel?
- Move to tap into a creative state
- Move your body to allow a solution to a problem to come through
- Move your body to feel good. Nothing more.
- Move your body to improve your mental well-being
- Move your body to be centered and grateful
- Move your body to access calm energy and authenticity





# Practical Ways To Fit Movement + Breathwork Into Your Busy Days

- Start small with regular movement
- Have fun with how you to choose move
- Release the need for a perfect workout routine
- Schedule your movements in a calendar

- Breathwork before opening email or presenting
- Breathwork after a stressful call or unexpected event
- Breathwork to close the end of a workday



#### **Committing To Growth Journal Prompt**

How would my life look differently if I committed to regularly moving my body and breath?





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# Questions?

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