

Management Bios

Tracy Schott - Principal

Tracy Schott, MSW, MS is the Producer/Director of *Finding Jenn's Voice*, the award-winning documentary film about intimate partner homicide featured in Voices4Change. She has presented to audiences internationally on abusive relationships, pregnancy, and the media's role in shaping the narrative on domestic violence. Tracy is uniquely qualified to tell this story. She received her MSW from the University of California – Berkeley's School of Social Welfare in 1985. She practiced for fifteen years as a child and family therapist with many adult and child victims of abuse, was the administrator of a women's counseling center, and an adjunct faculty in Graduate Social Work. After witnessing the power of television in shaping behavior and attitudes with her own children, Tracy decided to pursue her interest in creating social change through media. She obtained her MS in Telecommunications in 2000 from Kutztown University. Tracy is the founder of Schott Productions and has produced, written and directed hundreds of projects including short films, TV commercials and content. Tracy is based in Pennsylvania.

QUOTE:

"I believe in the power of storytelling to create social change. With this new website, we hope to change the horrific statistics and consequences of intimate partner violence by creating awareness and providing the tools for change."

Kelly DeVine – Impact Campaign Consultant

Kelly DeVine has served as the Artistic Director for the Global Peace Film Festival since 2006. Connecting story to community in action, the GPFF supports and amplifies the work of Central Florida civic, faith, educational and activist groups by curating film and media events to raise awareness and catalyze audiences. She has consulted on impact projects for award-winning documentaries such as *Bully*, *How to Survive A Plague*. Previously she had worked in acquisitions for IFCTV. Kelly is committed to creating an informed electorate and is active in her local "get out the vote" initiatives. She is based in New York.

QUOTE:

"Finding Jenn's Voice and the Voices for Change campaign are shining examples of programming and activism that the Global Peace Film Festival seeks to support and amplify. I look for films which provide trustworthy information about issues, providing a healthy emotional frame for understanding and empathy regarding the people at the center of these issues. Voices for Change builds on that emotional frame to deliver critical resources and information that people can use in their work and in their daily lives to change the tragic statistics of Intimate Partner Violence."

Paul Singh – Global Strategist

Paul Singh is the co-founder and CEO of 1GEN, the technical team who created the digital platform for Voices4Change. A visionary technology leader with 25+ years of experience in leading transformation projects, Paul is passionate about harnessing the power of positivity and digital tools to create

sustainable social impact. Paul has an MBA in Technology and Business Administration from Ross School of Business, University of Michigan. He's currently leading several digital transformational initiatives associated with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Charter of the United Nations.

QUOTE:

"I choose to view the world around us through a lens of hope and optimism. No obstacle is big enough, when a small group of passionate people show up with courage and compassion to make the world a better place. 1GEN is an attempt to manifest this dream."

Pooja Monga - Technical and Media Partner

Pooja Monga is the Co-founder and "Chief Belief Office "at 1GEN. Pooja is an engineer by degree but an activist by heart. She has a BS in Technology, and a degree in Executive Leadership from the Centre of Social Impact Strategy at the University of Pennsylvania. Pooja is the catalyst for creating positive change through social outreach and marketing. Through art & science of data visualization, she helps create compelling stories that influence positive shifts in the world. She is currently leading several digital transformational initiatives associated with SDG Charter with Gender Equality as her primary focus.

QUOTE:

"I aspire to have 1GEN create a storm of compassion that brings about a social revolution based on empathy and kindness."

1GEN, the technology and media partner for Voices4Change, is a social innovation startup committed to creating meaningful digital solutions for the most pressing issues facing the world. **1GEN**'s mission is to inspire action for change, amplify the marginalized voices, and knit a community of minds to bring about a positive shift in the world by using digital tools to shape meaningful impact stories that connect, bind, engage, and inspire. **1GEN** works in partnership with several mission-driven NGOs with a goal of solving the planet's most pressing issues in '**1GEN** eration'. **1GEN** has offices in Michigan and Delhi, India.

Global Peace Film Festival, the fiscal sponsor for this project, has a 15-year history of community-based programming, impact producing and filmmaker support and offers services to filmmakers, educational institutions and local social issue organizations. More than a festival, GPFF is a social change organization, with a mission of using creative media as a catalyst to inspire and educate people to initiate positive change in their communities and worldwide. For media artists and filmmakers, GPFF provides fiscal sponsorship for production and/or outreach campaigns, as well as expertise in leveraging media and arts to meet organizational needs. GPFF is dedicated to making the world a more peaceful place and leveraging the power of the arts, particularly film, to model positive change on the personal, local and global level. GPFF is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization registered in Florida and New York.