

## **Bill Stainton (STAYN-tun) Introduction**

You and I both know that the work we do can be challenging. And often these challenges require innovative solutions. But how do you come up with these solutions? How can you become “future-ready,” no matter what? In short, how do you teach your brain to be more innovative?

Our speaker today says it’s not only possible to become more innovative...it’s actually fun!

For 15 years, Bill Stainton produced the longest-running, highest-rated, and most award-winning regional comedy TV show in the United States, where he won 29 Emmy awards—thus shattering his dream of winning *thirty* Emmy awards. He’s also written for HBO, Comedy Central, and *The Tonight Show*, and has been a regular contributor to *Seattle Business* magazine. In addition, Bill is the creator of the Elite Innovation Roundtable, a think tank for innovative leaders.

Today he’s going to help us transform the way we think about innovation, so that we can get ahead, stay ahead, and move ahead faster. Please join me in welcoming...Bill Stainton!

*[lead audience in applause]*