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## Field of Dreams Is Rodgers' Forte

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### Profile Denise Rodgers

**Personal:** Denise Rodgers, 38, Oklahoma City native. Divorced, with one daughter, Dior Goodwin.  
**Hobbies:** Outdoor activities, movies.  
**Education:** University of Oklahoma and the School of Metaphysics.

Denise Rodgers says she is a pioneer of the final frontier.

"When I talk about the final frontier, I'm not talking about space. I'm talking about the mind," Rodgers said.

You may know Rodgers as the Dream Lady from radio and television appearances, like on KMOD's morning radio show, or from KOTV, Channel 6.

You may have attended one of her dream classes at Intuitive Mind International, 4836 S. Peoria Ave. Or, maybe you caught her at a party or civic club function.

For those of you unfamiliar with Rodgers, she wears several hats — president of Intuitive Mind, dream interpreter, educator, author and lecturer.

She's writing a book about famous dreams and dreamers. She's also writing a script for a six-part television series about the dreaming process. Both should be completed by the end of the year.

Summing up Rodgers' various tasks and experiences under one collective title is difficult. Basically, her job is to research and educate others about tapping hidden, creative potential — using what she calls the sub-conscious mind.

"I went into it openly skeptical, if there is such a term," she said. "I was not necessarily that interested in dreams."

Rodgers studied psychology and business at the University of Oklahoma. She wanted to learn about the workings of the mind, but was disappointed with psychology. Psychology taught behavior. She wanted to learn

about the mind's potential.

"What I was looking for were answers to those age-old questions, 'Who am I?' 'Where am I going?' and 'What's it all for?'"

She then headed for the School of Metaphysics, a non-profit organization based in Missouri, where she eventually became a national field director.

She left the school after eight years because of philosophical and other differences.

Rodgers then began studying her own dreams, recording and interpreting them, then comparing what occurred with her attitudes and actions the day before the dream.

"Dreams always tell your state of awareness just prior to having the dream," she said. "They're coming from you, they're for you and they're about you, regardless of who shows up in the dream."

Her latest project is studying the effects of meditation and imagery on people with multiple sclerosis, a central nervous system disease causing loss of muscular coordination.



Denise Rodgers, also known as the Dream Lady, in her home-turned-office.  
World staff photo by John David Heckel

## Negotiate Home Broker Contracts

NEW YORK — If you're shopping for a house, think carefully about any agreement your real-estate broker may ask you to sign.

A small but growing number of brokers are requiring buyers to work with them exclusively, for anywhere from one to six months.

As long as the agreement lasts, you're not supposed to use the services of any other broker. If you do buy a house through someone else, you owe your first broker a substantial commission — up to 3.5 percent of the house's price.

In Georgia, the standard agreement even includes a cash retainer up front, which might come to \$1,000 or more. If the



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broker finds you a house, you get the \$1,000 back (the broker is paid the standard commission out of the proceeds of the sale). If you don't find a house and the contract lapses, you also get your \$1,000 back, although the broker keeps the interest it earned.

But what if you get fed up with your exclusive arrangement, because the broker isn't doing the job you expected? You're precluded from working with a different broker until your agreement with the first broker expires. If you need a house in a hurry and decide to buy through another firm, you'll have to pay thousands of dollars to fulfill your original contract.

Typically, real-estate brokers demand these commitments only from customers who ask for "buyer representation."

Women Forced to Give More Loan Collateral Than Men