

From Exhausted to Energized: Jessica H. Maurer Earns Fitness Industry's Top Honor

With more than two decades of helping people move from exhausted to energized, Maurer's recognition cements her place as one of the fitness and wellness industry's most trusted and transformative voices.



Orlando, Florida May 18, 2026 (IssueWire.com) - [Jessica H. Maurer](#), wellness business consultant, happiness strategist, and keynote speaker, has been named the 2026 IDEA Fitness Leader of the Year. The award, presented by the IDEA Health & Fitness Association, honors an individual whose

outstanding contributions to the fitness industry serve staff, fitness professionals, students, clients, and their community in inspiring ways, and whose leadership and business skills improve the industry's overall success. Maurer joins a distinguished group of leaders who have helped shape the direction of health, fitness, and wellness globally.

Maurer's career in the fitness and wellness industry spans more than two decades, beginning on the group fitness floor and growing into an internationally recognized platform for keynote speaking, consulting, and education. She has presented at the industry's most prestigious events, including IDEA World, FitnessFest, ACSM Health & Fitness Summit, AsiaFit, and canfitpro, and has partnered with leading brands including FIT4MOM, BOSU, Lebert Fitness, and more. Her writing has appeared in the IDEA Fitness Journal, Canfitpro Magazine, Motherly, and beyond, and she has been a featured voice on respected industry podcasts, including the IDEA FitPro Show, the Fitness Business Podcast, the KIPS Podcast, and Walla's Well, Well, Well Podcast.

At the core of Maurer's work is a message the fitness industry has needed to hear for years: the way we work, lead, and measure success is often coming at the direct expense of our wellbeing. Her keynotes and workshops help fitness professionals, leaders, and organizations reduce burnout, overcome boredom, increase retention statistics, and build sustainable cultures where people genuinely thrive. She does not speak at her audience. She meets them where they are, bringing honesty, humor, science, and hard-earned experience to every room she enters.

As Education Project Manager at Inspire360 Club, Jessica oversees the full content lifecycle, from managing course creation to delivering polished final content across the platform's industry-leading health club training ecosystem. As Director of Education for the Mental Wellbeing Association, Maurer develops programs and content that help professionals move from languishing to flourishing through evidence-based, practical strategies. She also has a TEDx talk and her debut book, *The Happiness Handbook*, both of which are forthcoming in 2026.

"The fitness industry gave me my foundation, my purpose, and some of the most meaningful relationships of my life," said Maurer. "Being recognized by IDEA is deeply personal. It is a reminder that the work we do, when we do it with intention and heart, creates a ripple effect far beyond what we can see. I am honored, and I am just getting started."

Maurer is available for keynote presentations, workshops, panel discussions, and podcast appearances. Organizations and event planners interested in bringing Jessica H. Maurer to their next event are encouraged to reach out directly.

To book Jessica H. Maurer for your next event, visit JessicaHMaurer.com or contact Booking@JessicaHMaurer.com

About [Jessica H. Maurer](#)

Jessica H. Maurer is a wellness business consultant, happiness strategist, and keynote speaker dedicated to helping professionals and organizations move from exhausted to energized. Named the 2026 IDEA Fitness Leader of the Year, she brings more than two decades of experience to international stages, corporate workshops, and consulting engagements, delivering science-backed strategies that drive real, lasting change in the way people work and lead. She serves as Director of Education for the Mental Wellbeing Association and is the author of the forthcoming *The Happiness Handbook*.



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