



Michael Ian Cedar

Coach / Facilitator

Michael guides leaders to thrive in both their professional and personal lives.

A trusted advisor to senior executives, high-performing teams, and emerging leaders, he specializes in leadership development for purpose-driven, people-first startups and global brands in high-stakes industries. His unique leadership training balances emotional intelligence (our inner world), interpersonal dynamics (the external world), and managerial excellence (systems & processes).

Clients appreciate Michael's ability to:

- Have the conversations no one else is willing to
- Free up their time and energy for higher-impact work
- Deliver the right mindset or tool at the perfect moment
- Help them get out of their own way to success
- Unlock new opportunities they didn't see before

Areas of expertise:

- Establishing executive presence & influence in others
- Conducting powerful 360° reviews for individuals and teams
- Leveraging MBTI®, Working Genius®, and other leadership assessments
- Facilitating group leadership development for executives & teams
- Customizing coaching to each individual & team's needs
- Ensuring training sticks beyond the session
- Making the process engaging, fun, and results-driven

More about Michael

Known as "The Tools Coach," Michael delivers premium mindset and leadership coaching experiences with tangible solutions for real-time leadership challenges. He is certified in the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and the Working Genius (WIDGET) and is highly experienced in the 360 Feedback Delivery Process. A former executive leader in the touring entertainment industry, he has worked with top creatives, engineers, and executives at some of the world's most renowned entertainment companies. His diverse experience allows him to connect with leaders of all levels across industries.

Based in New York City, he and his wife travel the world and are never far from an extraordinary cup of tea.

Client Testimonials

Michael has both coached me and spent time with my leadership team and company, and I've found him to be extremely helpful across all of those engagements. His feedback has been tangible and made an immediate impact on me and my leadership style. He is super effective, a joy to work with, and really helped me reframe how I think about leadership and gratitude.

– Denise Woodard, Founder & CEO at Partake Foods

Michael and I worked together as I transitioned into the CEO role and was instrumental in dissecting the feedback from my team, while balancing adjustment to the new position. I sincerely appreciated his thoughtful approach, his candid feedback and his insight on how to re-orient my view to better grow with my team. Great Coach.

– Philip J. Rizzo, CEO, Liberty Military Housing, An Employee-Owned Company

I've been meeting with Michael weekly for 5 months now and I have seen a great improvement in my work life and happiness. Michael has helped coach me in many aspects of my work and personal life. He is an invaluable resource and I will be continuing to meet with him regularly. He has a genuine passion for his work and the people he works with, and I am happy to call him both a coach and now, a friend.

– Shak Khavarian, Senior Marketing Manager on Fortnite at Epic Games

Group Facilitation & Training Feedback:

"Michael's energy and passion made the workshop feel exciting and deeply personal—I left feeling inspired to apply what I learned."

"Michael's ability to embrace our company culture made the training feel personal and relevant."

"Michael's teaching made me realize how much small shifts in leadership can create major changes in my team's performance."

Clients & Teams

