

MATRESCENCE COACH AND FACILITATOR TRAINING

MARCH 2026

COURSE OVERVIEW



WHAT IS MATRESCENCE?

First described by Dana Raphael in the 1970s, and then recently resurrected by Dr Aurelie Athan at Columbia University, Matrescence is the groundbreaking and revolutionary way we now understanding what happens to a woman when she becomes a mother.

Matrescence changes the way we support a mother that finally acknowledges the physical, emotional, psychological, cultural and personal changes she goes through.

THE MAMA RISING MISSION AND VISION

To revolutionise the way mothers are seen, valued and supported in our world, and liberate women from the patriarchal view of motherhood and womanhood.

THE ROLE OF A MAMA RISING FACILITATOR

To become a Space Holder for the rite of passage of Matrescence and an activist for the redefining of motherhood in the world.

THIS MEANS WE:

- 01 Practice active listening;
- Whisper the words of wisdom of Matrescence;
- Oive her permission to heal her self-silencing in a safe and supportive way;
- O4 Create community so she knows the power of a village;

- 05 Provide her with the tools and rituals she needs so she may rise;
- O6 Advocate on her behalf and on all mother's behalf in workplaces, in government, and in places she can not reach herself;
- O7 And be an active participant in the change in policy and perception of mothers and their roles in the world.



Mama Rising began as a short training program for women who wanted to support mothers differently in 2019 by Amy Taylor-Kabbaz.

After more than a decade covering breaking news and current affairs for the ABC around the country, Amy's 'traditional' career took an unexpected turn when she found herself lost, overwhelmed and diagnosed with a thyroid condition after the birth of her first daughter.

She couldn't understand what had happened to her. So, being the journalist she was, she went looking for the answers, interviewing some of the best health and wellness gurus and experts around the world - and no one could tell her what she most needed to hear: Matrescence.



18 years (yes, 18 years!) - and two more babies - later, she has coached and supported more than 6000 women through her online programs and coaching. Her book 'Mama Rising', published by Hay House, is an international best-seller, and her podcast, the 'The Happy Mama Movement', has been downloaded more than 700,000 times.

But more needed to be done.

After working personally with Dr Aurelie Athan on developing and testing her trademarked 'Mama Rising Formula of Support', she launched the first Mama Rising Training in 2019.

Since then, the training has been completed by more than 350 women in 18 countries around the globe.

As a Mama Rising Facilitator and Matrescence Coach, you will learn both the history of motherhood in our Western culture, the role of feminism and industrialisation on motherhood and women, and the research into Matrescence, as well as the unique coaching and support Amy and her team of coaches have shared and used with thousands of women around the world in thousands of different circumstances.

This is not just a coaching training program.

This is a personal study of the history of women, how the world views and values motherhood, and what we can do about it.

It will equip you to take Matrescence into a women's home, her workplace, her relationship and herself.

FACILITATOR PROGRAM COURSE OVERVIEW







INTERNATIONAL COACH FEDERATION (ICF) & CONTINUING COACH EDUCATION (CCE)

We are thrilled to have received the International Coach Federation (ICF) accreditation for the Mama Rising facilitator training. The ICF is the peak certification body in the coaching industry and supports the recognition of trained professional coaches. Being an ICF certified training program means that we have gone through a thorough process to verify that the content we provide meets the highest educational standards for aspiring coaches.

What it means for you is that you are undertaking a certified course that has met the criteria for Continuing Coach Education (CCE). It does not mean, however, that upon completion of the Mama Rising course you can call yourself an ICF certified coach. To do so, you will need to meet other requirements from the ICF, including a number of client coaching hours. If you're aiming to become an ICF certified coach, you can find more information on the additional requirements from the ICF here.

If you are already an ICF accredited coach (ACC, PCC or MCC), the Mama Rising training has been approved for the following hours which you can use towards renewal of your ICF credential:

Core Competencies: 16 training hours

Resource Development: 24 training hours

Upon completion of the training, if you have met all the accreditation requirements, you will receive a Mama Rising Facilitator certificate including the ICF logo and training details mentioned above.



CORE DATES AND TRAINING DETAILS

Mama Rising 2026 Begins on Monday 23rd March 2026

PART 1 WILL RUN FROM 23RD MARCH TO 24TH OCTOBER

This part of the training includes both a live teaching component (which you can join live or watch the replay), plus an alternative coaching time per week.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL TIMES ARE AEST/AEDT.

We recommend you use worldtimebuddy.com to compare the dates and times with your timezone - taking note of daylight saving changes.

MODULE 1

Live training: Monday 16th March 10am AEDT - 90min Coaching call: 1 Wednesday 25th March 8pm AEDT - 60min Coaching call: 2 Friday 27th March 10am AEDT - 60min

MODULE 2

Live training: Monday 30th March 10am AEDT - 60min (*NB: Note timezone change to AEST, as daylight saving ends in Australia)

Coaching call 1: Wednesday 8th April 8pm AEST - 60min

Coaching call 2: Friday 10th April 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 3

Live training: Monday 13th April 10am AEST - 60min Coaching call 1: Wednesday 22nd April 8pm AEST - 60min Coaching call 2: Friday 24th April 10am AEST - 60min

2 WEEK BREAK

COACHING CALL/ASSESSMENT SUPPORT FRIDAY 1ST MAY 10AM AEST - 60MIN

ASSIGNMENTS DUE BY 8TH MAY, 2026



PART 2 WILL RUN FROM 11TH MAY - 10TH JULY 2026

MODULE 1

Live training: Monday 11th May 10am AEST - 60min Coaching call: Wednesday 13th May 8pm AEST - 60min

MODULE 2

Recorded training: Monday 18th May - 60min Coaching call: Frida 22nd May 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 3

Recorded training: Monday 25th May - 60min Coaching call: Wednesday 27th May 8pm AEST - 60min

MODULE 4

Recorded training: Monday 1st June - 60min Coaching call: Friday 5th June 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 5

Recorded training: Monday 8th June - 60min Coaching call: Wednesday 10th June 8pm AEST - 60min

MODULE 6

Recorded training: Monday 15th June - 60min Coaching call: Friday 19th June 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 7

Live Coaching only Wednesday 24th June 8pm AEST - 60min

2 WEEK BREAK

COACHING CALL/ASSESSMENT SUPPORT FRIDAY 3RD JULY 10AM AEST - 60MIN

ASSIGNMENTS DUE BY 10TH JULY 2026.



PART 3 WILL RUN FROM 13TH JULY TO AUGUST

MODULE 1

Live training: Monday 13th July 10am AEST - 60min Hot seat coaching: Wednesday 15th July 8pm AEST - 60min Breakout room practice: Friday 17th July 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 2

Pre-recorded training 2 released: Monday 20th July
Breakout room practice: Wednesday 22nd July 8pm AEST - 60min
Hot seat coaching: Friday 24th July 10am AEDST - 60min

MODULE 3

Pre-recorded training 3 released: Monday 27th July Hot seat coaching: Wednesday 29th July 8pm AEST - 60min Breakout room practice: Friday 31st July 10am AEST - 60min

MODULE 4

Pre-recorded training 4 released: Monday 3rd August Hot seat coaching: Wednesday 5th August 8pm AEST - 60min Breakout room practice: Friday 7th August 10am AEST - 60min

BONUS 2026 MODULE:

3 x Bonus Masterclasses released: 10th August Bonus Q&A coaching call with Amy on your industry/niche: Friday 14th August 10am AEST

FINAL COACHING CALL/ASSESSMENT SUPPORT
FRIDAY 21ST AUGUST 10AM AEST - 60 MIN
FINAL ASSESSMENTS DUE BY FRIDAY AUGUST 28TH AUGUST.

ACTIVATION AND CELEBRATION CALL

Friday 11th September 10am AEST - 90 min



COURSE OVERVIEW

PART 1 - HISTORY, THEORY AND IMPLICATIONS OF MATRESCENCE OR MONTHS TODAY

MODULE 1 MATRESCENCE, MOTHERHOOD AND THE PATRIARCHY

In this module we explore the Mama Rising mission and vision and lay out the foundations that will enable the students to get the most out of this training. Some of the initial key concepts and theories we cover:

- Matrescence history and theory
- The Motherhood penalty and the rigged system
- The Maternal Mandate, the Good Mother and the Successful Woman
- Matricentric Feminism and its relevance today

And much more...

MODULE 2 SYMPTOMS & STRUGGLES OF THE INVISIBLE MOTHER

In this module, we continue covering some key concepts and theories:

- The Inner Split and its implications
- Maternal rage
- Competing Devotions
- The Perceived Choice
- The Maternal Wall
- The pinpricks of awareness

MODULE 3 THE MAMA RISING PRINCIPLES OF SUPPORT AND TRANSFORMATION.

In this lesson, we go through the Mama Rising principles of support to guide a mother through her experience of Matrescence. We also cover:

- The Spiritual Awakening of Matrescence
- How to talk about these key concepts to a mother by balancing inner and outer authority
- How to acknowledge a woman's unique pinprick of awareness into her transformation through Matrescence



PART 2 - REDEFINE YOUR MATRESCENCE JOURNEY: INNER WORK

There are 6 modules, each one covering one step from the Mama Rising principles of support and one additional module including an integration practice to honour the grief and losses that are part of our individual journeys.

This part of the training has two very clear intentions:

- 1.to experience the Mama Rising coaching principles yourself and explore your own Matrescence and cultural assumptions of motherhood
- 2.and to witness live coaching of other women as they breakthrough the internal and external barriers of motherhood and redefine who they are.

PART 3 - MATRESCENCE COACHING AND SUPPORT SKILLS

- **Module 1 -** Demonstrating ethical practice + embodying a coaching mindset
- **Module 2 -** Establishing and maintaining agreements + cultivating trust and safety with your clients
- **Module 3 -** Maintaining presence + listening actively
- **Module 4 -** Evoking awareness in your clients + facilitating their growth

2026 BONUS MASTERCLASS AND COACHING

To meet the demands of mothers in the world right now in 2026, we have added 3 bonus specialist masterclasses:

- Holding women's circles in a safe and empowered way
- Trauma-aware matrescence coaching
- Parent-inclusive workplace masterclass for corporate clients

PLUS a live Q&A with Amy to answer your specific industry/niche questions.



MAMA RISING ACCREDITATION PROCESS

In order to receive your Mama Rising Facilitator accreditation, you are required to:

Show 100% completion in the course platform for all parts of the training and for each module.



Hand in all your assignments, showing adherence to the submission criteria which will help us assess your understanding of not only the theoretical aspects of the course (matrescence theory and the six ways to support a mother's understanding of herself as she navigates Matrescence) but also the 8 ICF core competencies and how these can be woven into your work supporting mothers.



Hand in your assignments for each part of the course within the assigned deadlines.