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Studied Barely Passing at [kits high school](#)
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Lucas Roberts

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As many of my friends know for the last 8 years I've been a student and coach in a wonderful self development and critical thinking program, with a focus on ethics and humanity. I've had incredible and measurable results in my life.

I've had some friends and family reach out to me concerned about some recent media articles and whether I'm okay or not. I've been getting enough emails and messages that it will save me some time and effort to put this on my Facebook wall. 😊

I am completely fine, continuing to stand with and support ESP and NXIVM and all my friends in that community. They are some of the most inspiring people I know. I am continuing to be part of the organization.

I stand for kindness, personal responsibility, people's right to try and fail and try again, critical thinking, and compassion. I stand firmly against violence, hate, trial by media, and abuse of any kind.

Feel free to message me directly if you have questions. You can expect a 2-4 day response time.

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Gagan Rajpal You are doing better than completely fine, from what I can see!
😊 For what it's worth, I am fine too. 😊
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Lucas Roberts I am annoyed that Facebook doesn't have a "Like" option for the bicep. I would use that one often. 💪
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Cecita Gatica #orgullosamenteESP ❤️
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Elisa Eli #OrgullosamenteESP
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Foley Lynn I'll ask you this. Is the New York Times lying, or are they telling the truth and you're not concerned?

<https://www.nytimes.com/.../nxivm-women-branded-albany.html>



Inside a Secretive Group Where Women Are Branded

A self-help organization in Albany called Nxivm has...

NYTIMES.COM

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Lucas Roberts Are those my only two options?

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Lucas Roberts My stance is clear, above 🙌

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Jeff Pelletier It's no surprise to me that Mr. Raniere had been involved in a pyramid scheme in the past. In my experience, these organizations operate exactly like a mix between a cult and multi-level marketing.

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Anne Carroll What is your stance on the NYT article? Is there something between lying and the truth? I can understand that you feel ESP has done good things for you in your life. How do you reconcile that with this 'darker underbelly' of the organization? I don't think you answered Foley Lynn's question.

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Lucas Roberts I don't agree that there is a dark underbelly. My stance on the NYT article would be line by line... Some of it I believe is true, some of it I believe is not, some of it I believe is exaggerated and biased towards showing something as bad, some of it is extremely damaging and dishonourable.

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Lucas Roberts ...I actually find the underbelly to be quite warm and welcoming and fun and funny and kind. Enough so that I would hesitate not at all to invite friends and contacts into ESP and NXIVM.

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Foley Lynn Nah, those aren't your only two options, I appreciate that it's much more nuanced than that.

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Anne Carroll Lucas Roberts , ok. I will be more specific. I realize by your response that I wasn't clear and accurate with my question. What is your stance on the organization mind-fucking women into being forcibly held down and branded with a red-hot iron on their pubic area? Is that ok? How does that contribute to personal development? I have seen a brand personally. I have not seen or experienced the 'sex with students' alleged against Mr. Raniere, so I won't ask you whether you see that as ethical in that business. (From my viewpoint, it's extremely non-ethical.) These are what I consider to be the dark underbelly. There was/may still be a warm, funny, and kind component to the company. This is not the first time that they have had bad press. Where there's smoke, there's usually fire. I don't want to tell you what to think - as a friend, I hold space for you. I do not respect the stance you have taken, but perhaps you don't yet have all the information.

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Lucas Roberts I would never force anyone to do something, especially body modifications. I only have more questions if someone says they were forced to do something... And I would have a different response to all of these scenarios.

- Was it one person forcing something on someone else?
- Could the person feel forced when it wasn't actually forced?
- Was it a company telling one person to force it on someone else?
- Was it a philosophical founder telling someone to force something on someone else?
- Were people watching or not?
- Would those people have allowed and supported the force?
- Do the witnesses agree that there was force involved?
- Is the person doing the forcing doing something illegal?
- Did the recipient ask for force because they knew they would squirm under the pain?

You know me Anne... How do you think I would respond to these scenarios?

And no - this is not me agreeing with the premise that force was even involved.

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Anne Carroll Sadly, I can only conclude that you have been mind-fucked into believing what happened to Sarah and others is somehow ok. And if the mind-fuckers are willing to do that to you, what else are they willing to do? Who benefits from having you believe it's ok? I, like you, believed for many years that ESP was good and was good for me. Now that I have new (more) data, I'll take a wide pass on the organization. I am grateful that the majority of our community is standing together in support and love for each other. And will do that for you and the few others who are still hanging in there. Because we are a community of people who care and who want the world to be a better place . . . where none of our members ever have to worry about being branded or giving collateral or being set up as a sex slave. Peace and love.

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Mehdi Darvish **Lucas Roberts** U said "...some of it I believe is true...". If "some of it is true", is that not enough?

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Ginger McIntosh **Anne Carroll** I'm not at all sure why some of you think we should just "believe" reports from ONE of the 5 women that were there. There were other people there, who have different perspectives. Lucas asked good questions, was it actually forced or did someone just feel forced? how did the person get themselves into the situation in the first place? In my 17 years of experience with ESP I have NEVER had an experience remotely like this, so it is pretty hard for me to believe. Also, this group is NOT part of ESP and most of us were not in it, so it is difficult to know what really happened. Why are you so ready to just believe one person's story? When has one eyewitness ever had an account that agrees with others? Why are you so ready to believe negative stuff about an organization that has been nothing but kind and helpful to you?

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Carola Garza Im with you Lucas! Standing strong!

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Daniel Brown Thanks for sharing Lucas. Kind of the same has happened to me and I imagine many others. #iamfine #orgullosamenteESP

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Lucas Roberts What does orgullosamente ESP mean?

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Carola Garza proudlyESP

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Joe Nystrand I'm with you, Lucas!

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Lucas Roberts Bicep 🍌

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Lewis Van I'm sorry, I chose not to ignore the stories I have read; the abuse is sickening Lucas - don't be blind.

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Christine Morgenstein Love you schmuffy

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David G. Garza Perez I'm with you Lucas! keep up with what you are doing. Standing strong!!

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Kristen Shoichet So your best friend tells you she was held down naked and forcibly branded and as part of a group of self-proclaimed "slaves" being put on 500 calorie per day diets and available 24 hours per day for sex with Keith Raniere , there are photos of her HOR... [See More](#)

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Kristen Shoichet I get that you've been trying to convince your family for years that "it's not a cult." It's not your fault, NONE OF US KNEW. But you gotta get on the right side of history, Lucas. For real.

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Brandon Colby Cook Hey in case this helps ... (full article attached) .. based on all the news of late..

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"A true convert is completely dependent on the cult for every aspect of life and consciousness -- to the truly indoctrinated cult member, leaving means being alone ... [See More](#)

How Cults Work

In this article, we'll separate fact from propaganda and learn what a cult actually is, see what practices characterize a destructive cult and investigate some of the more notable cult incidents in recent history.

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 **Kristen Shoichet** Great point!!! Don't forget Lucas, THERE IS A WHOLE COMMUNITY OF SURVIVORS WAITING FOR YOU! ❤️❤️❤️

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 **Kristin Zerbin** ❤️ totally

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 **Chris M Burbs** I dated someone in the group. I'm happy to see the love shown to those who are still in by those that have left. It prompted me to send this to the girl I was dating

"Your friends that you think you'll lose by leaving will be your friend again when this ends. Your friends you thought you lost because they left are waiting for you with love.

Let's do something great. Start fresh."

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Denai Johnson I'll always love you Lucas but what is going on within esp is not ok. From personal first hand experience... this is not ok.

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 **John Nieuwenburg** Agreed

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Jimena Garza StandStrong Lucas. I am with you!!! and i support NXIVM. There would be a day when personal opinion would be measured against reality, and things will fall by their own weight.

##IStandbyLogic##IStandbyCriticalThinking##IStandbyTheTruth##IStandbyLove
##IStandAgainstViolence##IStandAgainstAbuseofPower##IStandAgainstVictimhood##IStandAgainstTrialByMedia

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 **Carlos Jose Lamadrid** debe ser por eso que hay tanta gente encontra de keith raenier .por que como dices todo cae por su propio peso y hasta ahora todo el peso ba hacia keith que te dice eso

That must be why there are so many people against Keith Raenier.

Because as you say it all falls for its own weight and so far all the

weight ba towards Keith who tells you that

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Juan López De Silanes There is nothing more reaffirming than doing what you believe in. Specially if you are living proof of the benefits that come from participating with ESP. I believe we share this. I stand by you [Lucas Roberts](#)

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 **Lucas Roberts** An honor to stand with you Juan. 🙏

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Damon Brink I am with you [Lucas Roberts](#) and I am with NXIVM. Not in denial of anything that has happened to anyone but in strength with the goodness of the people I know and have shared time and heart and soul with and in support of a system of living together on this planet with our disagreements, with our violence, with our fears and with our responsibility for all of it and finding out how we can live together with all of this. I believe in the mission of ESP to achieve this and I have been silent too long. I also stand against hate, against violence, against abuse of power, against "lynching".

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Moira Mills I am with you [Lucas!!](#) #StandAgainstTrialByMedia
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Bob Hume [Lucas Roberts](#) if there's a 1% chance that 1% of the NYT's article is true, the only appropriate response of someone who stands for critical thinking, compassion and ethics is something along the lines of, "Those are some profoundly disturbing allegations. I'm going to look into them. If there's anything to them, I'm going to ..."

Can you categorically refute the substance of the article?

Do you know for a fact that none of it is true?

If not, doing nothing is an act of profound moral failure.

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Pardeep Longia Bob Hume just went David Hume.

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Lucas Roberts Thank you [Bob Hume](#) and I agree. This is not new news. This started in June of this year and I spent almost 6 weeks looking into the whole situation.

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Bob Hume [Lucas Roberts](#) Okay. And ...

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Bob Hume ?

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Lucas Roberts And the result is my above stance 🙌

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Lucas Roberts If anyone is currently being hurt, raped, attacked, assaulted, forcibly branded, whatever - they should be (and I believe would be) immediately stopped by authorities. If something happened in the past it should be examined and handled by someone other than me - I am neither a professional nor an authority in these matters. I run a Mac business. 😊 I did enough analysis to feel good about continuing to vouch for this organization and its people.

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Bob Hume Yes, I read that. Then I read the NYT's article. And now I'm reading the comments on the thread. What the actual fuck, Lucas? Right now, today, post Cosby, post Harvey Weinstein, I believe the woman.

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Pardeep Longia To add to what Bob has stated, I've read ESP official statement, and there is not a direct addressing of the claims and evidence presented by Sarah. As I said elsewhere, the statement detailed ostensibly logically fallacious statements, that worked to... [See More](#)

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Bob Hume Everyone posting support for the organization is expressing admiration for your courage and hash-tagging for the group. But no one supporting the group (at least on this thread) is categorically stating that Sarah's story is untrue, inaccurate, or malicious.

If it's a lie, it's a lie. Say so.

But it doesn't sound like a lie. And the defenders don't sound righteous; they sound defensive.

That's not particularly rational or logical on my part, but this is the end of a long news cycle in which 'Me Too' has maybe started to change the conversation.

As I said to Lucas in a PM earlier, this isn't some rumor on somebody's blog. It's on the website of a national newspaper. Maybe THE national newspaper.

It's not anonymous gossip. Sarah told her story using her name and her photograph, and revealed the scar she says she got.

So, obviously something happened.

If this isn't the right time to believe 'her' (by which I mean ALL the 'hers' out there who've not been believed) then when is that time?

Could Sarah be lying? Sure. But ... why? What's the angle by which this benefits her?

If she is lying, she can be sued for slander, libel, and / or defamation of character. (At least, I think she can. I have no legal training, but I do teach Media at an international school, and we cover journalistic ethics, so I'm not totally talking out my ass.)

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Certainly the NTY's is fully aware of the legality of running a story they can't verify. Why would they expose themselves to potentially massive liability without a degree of certainty that Sarah's story held water?

This seems like a pretty classic example of everything Me Too is meant to address, expose, and (please, please, please) some day destroy.

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Christine Johnston [Lucas Roberts](#) I think your response above to Bob Hume reflects a profound misunderstanding of both the construction of social power—particularly in exclusive private organizations—as well as the nature of gendered violence. The unequal exposure of women to threats against their physical and psychological safety is exponentially amplified by a system in which there is very little—if any—protection, or of any likelihood of acknowledgment, belief, or redress. To flippantly suggest that these alleged (and persuasively documented) events are unlikely because they would be "immediately stopped by authorities" reflects wilful ignorance by anyone living in contemporary society. Even worse, in defending your support—not just avoidance but explicit support—for this organization under the guise of having "done enough analysis to feel good about continuing to vouch for it" with seemingly no acknowledgment or consideration of these allegations because they exist beyond your exclusively limited experience is shockingly perverse. You don't get to declare a stance against violence if you provide tacit approval of it through a refusal to confront these allegations. It doesn't matter that you aren't a judicial authority. As a community member and financial supporter, it is your problem. This is in your backyard. And to deny that is a disrespectful cop-out. This isn't to negate the valuable place these institutions have played in your life, but your position as outlined so far here is a gross display of contrived ignorance akin to claiming that racism doesn't exist from the comfort of a white experience.

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Jamie Deck [Bob Hume](#) thank you for explaining your view and making very valid points! I agree if it's a lie say so.

[Lucas Roberts](#) as a ex esp vancouver Center student who worked with you directly [Sarah Edmondson](#) was one of your dearest friends do you really think she just made this up?

Do you really think the NYT would just write a story about something that wasn't true?

You say "some of it may be true" which parts? You also say "you are a stand for non abuse". Well sarah is clearly stating that this happened, she was taken advantage of.

What are you standing for the part of ESP that doesn't abuse women? Even if there is 80% good in something the 20% bad makes it all unacceptable when it comes to treating humanity without respect and honour to this level. This is not honour, this is inhumane.

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Ginger McIntosh [Bob Hume](#) you believe ONE woman. What about the others that are posting here that question that woman's account and stand by ESP? Not just me, but others. Why is that one account, dramatic though it is, more convincing than all the rest of us? She does have a brand, but that doesn't mean she was forced. Can you consider that it may have been her choice? Where are the other women that were branded with her? Are they making complaints also? Where is the evidence that she was 'forced'? Evidently it wasn't very convincing since it was already ruled that the branding was consensual. Have you never chosen to do something, regretted it later, and then used cognitive dissonance to convince yourself that somehow it wasn't really your choice after all? There are a lot of people standing up for ESP; you might want to consider that in your thinking.

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Chris M Burbs One women eh? I have photos of at three woman's brands that felt forced or coerced. And one is more than enough.

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Elisa Eli [#OrgullosamenteESP](#)

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Leslie Queens [Lucas](#), thank you for your courage and conviction, you have my 110% support!!

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Devin Wells I can understand wanting to stand with ones community and the people with whom you've done so much growth and self discovery, but if the stories about what happened to Sarah are true (and I do

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not be) then what is the point of pledging ones allegiance to NXIVM -- clearly an organization led by a disturbed individual -- take what's good and the people you trust and work to move forward with people who are trustworthy and actually moral. The organizational aspect and those who have perpetrated crimes ought to be categorically cut out.

My humble but honest opinion.

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 **Ginger McIntosh** so if you have a scar on your arm from a cut, is that proof that someone held you down and stabbed you? She has a brand, that is true. How does that mean the rest of her story has any veracity at all? How did she get herself to the place where the branding was occurring? You might want to rethink the "I don't see how they could not be" because that just says you aren't using your critical thinking ability.

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 **Devin Wells** Sure, there are always multiple possibilities. I'm going about my assertion based on the evidence I've seen, critically deducing what I'm being presented. Be happy to process evidence to the contrary, were it presented. As of yet, I've seen none. Have you any?

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 **Ginger McIntosh** Someone who is not telling the truth rarely presents you with points from the other side; that is what we call slant. I tell you my story in a way that causes you to agree with my conclusions. If I want you to agree that I am right to hate my brother... [See More](#)

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 **Devin Wells** This sounds like a lot of smoke and mirrors to me, or slant as you so rightly call it. I knew Sarah to be an honest person of integrity and have no reason you doubt her, nor can I ascertain where she may gain some value from trying to tear down an orga... [See More](#)

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 **Devin Wells** So... still no evidence? Apart from a LACK of evidence to the contrary 🙄🙄

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Paulina Corts de Carus Im with you Lucas! [#proudlyESP](#) [#orgullosamenteESP](#)

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Patrick Yan Hey guys, before saying: "I understand you Lucas", think about if you truly do. What if all the things and information you show him have been read and thought by him for several times already? but you think he doesn't know and he needs to "be saved"? Have you ever thought deeply and felt curious about why a person is making a decision that seems "abnormal and ridiculous" to you? I love Sarah, I love Lucas and I still don't know what is true and what is not, but I feel painful seeing people judging a person in the name of "I know you and I'm helping you" without even TRYING to understand the person.

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Loreta Garza I'm with you Lucas! [#proudlyESP](#) [#Orgullosamente ESP](#)

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Monica Duran Im with you Lucas! Im proud of you, you are not alone [#standbyyou](#) [#standforESP](#) [#standforlove](#) [#neverhate](#)

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Carlos Jose Lamadrid por lo visto el tal ves no pero otra historia seria si fuera un supresor como ustedes los llaman

Apparently he didn't, but another story would be if it was a suppressor like you call them.

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Alberto Sanchez Lucas you pointed the core of Nxvim, kindness, personal responsibility, people's right to try and fail and try again, critical thinking, and compassion. May I translate and posted in Spanish? [#standbyyou](#) [#standforESP](#) [#standforlove](#) [#neverhate](#) [#proudlyESP](#)

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Lucas Roberts Of course!

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Crystal Di Domizio I'm so confused by your stance Lucas 🤔 Do you know this woman / these women?

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Gosh if something like this happened to me I would hope to hell that my friends, family and the general public would believe me. This is horrific and such a great example of why women don't report abuse, sexual or otherwise.

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Carlos Jose Lamadrid lamentablemente lucas ha comprometido su voluntad y pensamiento critico por su posición sop el grupo de hombres que recibe enseñanzas similares al grupo de DOS que es formado por las mujeres de marca

Unfortunately Lucas has committed his will and critical thinking for his sop position the group of men who receive similar lessons to the group of two that is made up of brand women

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Jamie Deck Exactly, [Lucas Roberts](#) does know [Sarah Edmondson](#) and that is why this makes no sense. 😂 not only do you know her but she was your Center owner, supervisor, friend, leader!

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Ginger McIntosh Do you not know Monica, Loreta, Vany, etc. All beautiful women who are standing by ESP. This was a separate group; most of us have no experience with the actions described in the story, but in any case it is the word of ONE person. Many of us would tell you we don't really believe all aspects of the story.

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Vany Huber I am with you [Lucas Roberts](#) 100% #Istandbyyou #neverhate #AlwaysLove

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Chris M Burbs Vany huber...

I am sorry when you asked who sent me the article that I said "a friend"... obviously it was a trigger, and is this person truly a friend, no.

But let's discuss facts.

1)NXIVM posted on their site that Esp and NXIVM are not linked with this "social group" my opinion is that they know about the brandings and wrond doings and want to distance themselves.

2) All members of DOS or the Vow, are part of ESP, NXIVM, and/or JNess.

3)Keith was aware of the branding.

4)People who started the DOS group are very high up in NXIVM i.e. LAuren Salzman and Allison Mack.

5)The branding occurred.

6)You stated you are against it and hurting people.

7)Keith uses the legal system to harass and intimidate those who left NXIVM.

Now opinions... I believe Keith is a charismatic, narcissistic sociopath.

I believe everyone who joins or takes classes does so to improve themselves and wants to improve the world.

I don't even think branding or a tattoo is bad. If that's what you want to do.

If you voluntarily want to be in a master slave relationship, that's up to those individuals as long as both parties have the opportunity to leave.

I think I might love you. Hardly romantic. This whole thing is confusing. From the moment we started dating, I didn't know who to be mad at the blog or Keith.

I care about you deeply. As I was leaving that night I think I said something about you being mad. You said "I'm not mad, I'm sad, I didn't

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expect this from you" that stuck with me I'm sorry.

I'm sorry I disconnected when I got my phone and neither of us could really connect and discuss the nytimes article.

That email came across my phone as we were driving to the movies but I didn't read it. Probably the same reason your phone was blowing up with messages. I'm glad we were able to shut out the world and enjoy the movie.

Maybe one day we can shut out the world and create our own world.

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Rob Clark [Lucas Roberts](#) you are victim shaming plain and simple. You cannot stand there and say you are against violence and then "stand by" the perpetrators. That's like standing next to Harvey Weinstein and saying, "well he made so many great movies, let's give him some credit!" No! Until we as a society stand AGAINST this violence in all its forms and pull all support for the people he incite it, this will continue. I cannot "stand by" and be friends with someone who does. I hope that in time you will see what's happening for what it is. Violence against another.

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Jonathan Fluevog DUDE... BRANDING seriously now, like for real just stop and take a look at that.

You were fantastic when I took my courses. The program changed my life in an incredibly positive way that I'm thankful for.

BUT BRANDING is like whoa ho ho are you serious that's just absolute madness to say you're standing by it.

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Lucas Roberts I honestly have no problem with branding or people who want one. I wouldn't want one coz it looks like it really hurts and it looks quite permanent.

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Jonathan Fluevog [Lucas Roberts](#) the want one part is fine but in this case and with many others the want one part is questionable

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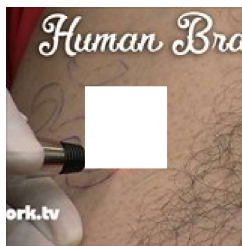


Kristen Shoichet Branding? Sure go nuts. Agreeing to be someone's sex slave? Great, you're a consenting adult. Collecting compromising photos for the express purpose of using them to ensure they keep their sex slave status secret???? In relation to women you have been accepting money from for YEARS to "teach them ethics"? Whilst you dictate when they sleep and what they eat??? DO YOU HONESTLY NOT SEE THE PROBLEM???

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Gagan Rajpal [Lucas Roberts](#) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5QmCtG8dy3o> based on this, it doesn't hurt as bad as it looks. It may vary based on the equipment used tho.. Maybe get one that looks like an iMac Pro! 😊



Human Branding - Skin Art: EP1

Branding involves burning a design...
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Kristen Shoichet Wow thanks for heading up the "totally missing the point" department.

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Diana Villarreal Of course you are ok. You were not the one receiving a brand.

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Jonathan Fluevog Epic reply 😊

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Bodhi Jones naked. restrained. on a restricted calorie diet. (with naked photos of you being held as a collateral threat).

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 **Diana Villarreal** Exactly! If that's not violent, I don't want to know what is.

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 **Devin Wells** BRANDING IS NEVER OK!! WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT TATTOOS WE ARE TALKING ABOUT FRIKKIN BRANDING!!!!!!?!!?

WTF Lucas!?... [See More](#)

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 **Bodhi Jones** Are there men being asked to strip naked, to be held down and branded? After being pressured to submit pornographic material to their master, etc, etc? (Just curious, but I have a feeling that maybe KR isn't really into that kind of thing).

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 **Diana Villarreal** In my experience ESP has misogynist curriculum masqueraded as 'growth and building character for women'.

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 **Fo Sanchez** #proudlyESP

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 **Enrique Martin-Moreno C.** I just want to clarify, that the practices the NYT article refers to are not in any way part of ESP curriculum. It is clear it is a voluntary private group. I respect their choice and hope they take responsibility. I do not think it is OK to blame the company for their adult choices, independent if they are good or bad.

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Recently a media outlet unfoundedly, and incorrectly, linked NXIVM corporation, and its related companies, with a social group. The allegations relayed in the story are built upon sources, some of which are under criminal investigation or already indicted, who act as a coordinated group. This story...

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 **Kristen Shoichet** You know the entire thing is about fucking Keith, right? Keith is fucking women he has been the "guru" to for years, taking their money, and now controlling what they eat and when they sleep. Nope, not part of the curriculum. So no problem with all that?

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 **Bodhi Jones** Not part of the ESP curriculum... but ESP has definitely been used as the recruiting ground to feed the "glorious leader's" fetish for power/dominance/subservience/sex. A place that is supposed to be built on the highest ethical standard, a safe place, a place of heavily indoctrinated ultimate trust in the program... There are so many things wrong with the victim shaming in your post Enrique... just brutal.

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 **Anne Carroll** Enrique, DOS is run by people who are very high up in the ESP/NXIVM world. The tools taught by the company are used against the women to mind-fuck them into believing that giving collateral and being branded is ok. So yeah, the company is exactly the place where we place the blame.

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 **Lucas Roberts** Thanks [Enrique Martin-Moreno C.](#) Good point of clarification 🙌

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 **Steven Liesch** So many allegations over so many years, people aren't just 'picking on Keith'. As my daddy always said 'if there's smoke there's fire'. Looks like a goddam forest fire to me. At this point why anyone would stand in support of this narcissist clown is beyond me.

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 **Steven Liesch** Personally, I respect what [Sarah Edmondson](#) and [Anthony N Ames](#) have done and stood up for what is right. A hard decision no doubt, and probably a huge financial loss for them and their family.

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Kristen Shoichet What Steven said! THIS WAS SARAH'S CAREER! She dedicated a DECADE to this work! Do you seriously think she would just walk away for no good reason????

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Rob Clark Enrique Martin-Moreno C., ESP and Keith are not taking responsibility for the part in all of this. We know it wasn't ESP directly that was responsible. But Keith and ESP have to take responsibility for the things that are being done in their name and with their tools. Think of this, You don't get to train a marksman to shoot and then stand back when they go on a killing spree. You are responsible for training them. You didn't pull the trigger but that doesn't reduce or absolve you of your responsibility. This is what Keith and ESP are not doing. They are standing back saying, "this wasn't us, and because you think it was, we're going to try and ruin you for thinking that". You need to get you head out of the sand and look at what is happening around you.

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Steven Liesch Where does [Giles Panton](#) stand in this?

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Kristen Shoichet Giles resigned months ago

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Kristen Shoichet Apparently the manipulation abuse and sexual enslavement of women is not what he stands for

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Steven Liesch bahaha.. k, not funny. but funny

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Giles Panton [Steven Liesch](#) I chose to believe those who left and I left as well. This whole situation is incredibly sad. Friends turning on each other over night, a loving community torn down the middle. I care deeply about both Lucas and Sarah. This saddens me immensely. But I believe the women when they said they were coerced, bullied, and in the worst cases blackmailed into participating in something that in my opinion was presented as one thing when it was in fact another. I know that's not everyone's experience, but it was some people's. And that needs to be looked at. As well as the internal response which from my understanding was a lot of victim blaming, mind games, and shunning of those who tried to speak up about it and change it long before it got to the stage where any press was involved. There are some valid points on here about working to understand each other, but being compassionate or understanding doesn't mean turning a blind eye. With love...please look for the truth. We have too many examples in our world today of women being abused, hurt, or taken advantage of and society turning around and saying it didn't happen or it was consensual or in the worst case she asked for it. I'm not doing that here. I choose to believe.

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Steven Liesch I agree with you wholeheartedly. It's sad that something designed for good has been abused by a few. This really is sad. I'm glad to hear you state your position. Thanks for sharing.

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Brendan Wanderer [Rob Clark](#) precisely. If it's truly not about KR and ESP (despite the personal testimonies), then it is still totally about Ownership, and I believe the heads are doing a poor job of responding - strangely worded legal statements don't cut it IMO.

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Steven Liesch [Brendan Wanderer](#) agreed. claiming ignorance does not equal innocence

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Eileen Butt Shackell [Giles Panton](#) thank you.

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Vanessa Sahagún A I am with you [Lucas Roberts](#)! #Istandbyyou #orgullosamenteESP

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Jonathan Fluevog Mark makes some interesting points in his blog: <http://www.markvicente.com/.../how-the-bleep-did-that...>



How the BLEEP did that happen?! - Episode 2
I have had numerous texts and calls from people all over...
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**Joel Mark Harris** Thanks for sharing [Lucas Roberts](#)

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**Ginger McIntosh** I stand with you [Lucas Roberts](#). I am a proud supporter. #proudlyESP

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**Mónica de la Fuente** I'm proud of you [Lucas Roberts](#) #OrgullosamenteESP

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**Marissa Zaragoza** I am with you Lucas and with NXIVM #proudlyESP #orgullosamenteESP

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**Siri Kramps** No, it's not in the ESP curriculum PER SE but shit rolls downhill and that shit includes some serious abuse of power, violence, manipulation not to mention misogyny. Would you hold a fire to your sister and watch her writhe in pain, all in the name of this group? By being #proudlyESP you stand behind and are complicit in ALL of it, especially the behavior of its perverse leader.

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**Christine Johnston** I see many members of your community standing in solidarity with you. Can any of you comment beyond your sentiments of unity on the practices discussed in the article above? Not about the positive place the program has held in your life (which clearly for many of you it does), but on your understanding of the branding and manipulation of women as present in many—though not all—chapters and segments of this group? Should we take your statements of exclusive support and adherence to these associations as approval of these behaviours?

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**Ginger McIntosh** The group that was doing these things is NOT PART OF ESP. It was a separate group. Most of us had no contact with what is described as we weren't part of that much smaller group. If they chose to be branded, that is a decision they chose. I wouldn't make that choice, but they did.

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**Ana Risoul** #proudlyESP

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**Diana Villarreal** You meant to type #blindlyesp
Defending the undefendable.

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**Vany Huber**

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**Carlos Jose Lamadrid** y como ba dieta 500 y 800 si te sirve

And like ba diet 500 and 800 if it serves you

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**Vany Huber** Carlos Jose Lamadrid jajajaja se ve que no me conoces!

Carlos Jose lamadrid lol it looks like you don't know me!

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**Danny Trutmann** I stand with you Lucas.

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**Giles Panton** I was asked my opinion in a subthread of this post and I wrote my response. I will repost here. Independent of all the benefits, and there were many, that were gained from the workshops and surrounding community something is going on that needs to be addressed:

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 **Sara Lim** My thoughts and sentiments exactly. Thank you Giles, very well put. This whole situation is just sad. I thought coaching compassionately was important, I thought consent was important to the ESP community. In the mildest terms one can put it, someone was pushed too hard, and that is not okay, was never supposed to be okay. It should not have been okay and not even offering any form of apology is unacceptable.

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Kristen Shoichet [http://wnyt.com/news/nxivm-secret-society-cult/4641998/...](http://wnyt.com/news/nxivm-secret-society-cult/4641998/)



Women claiming they were branded by secret organization

Governor Cuomo's office is looking into the activities of a...
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 **Kristen Shoichet** New--this'll be on NBC nationally .

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Bob Wang **Lucas Roberts** No matter your stance. I just want to say I'm sorry that this curfuffle has happened. Stay Resilient! 😊

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David G. Garza Perez so sad to see that many people are trying to defend and stop the apparent abuse of some women by abusing and wronging Lucas, who is taking a stand in this situation and is only expressing what is going on with him. Im with you **Lucas Roberts**, I am proud to be your friend and you are not alone. #proudtobeaspanian.

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Peter Byrne **Lucas**, knowing you are an intelligent and compassionate person who works hard to do the right thing and cares for others, I'm sure if you experienced or witnessed others being abused you'd walk away. 🙌 you have my trust.

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Chino Fregoso So I don't get it, if you read the article carefully and leaving emotional vestedness aside, the women did go to the authorities, and got rejected, due to a lack of evidence in some cases and consensual agreement between the parties in other cases on both health care and criminal charges, (Hyperlinks to PDFs of the official letters of rejection in the same NYT article) And because the response was not what they expected, now hey choose to go on a McCarthyism witch hunt to hurt people that were not even part of the initial allegations? and what is even more sad, without even realizing that in the process they are further hurting themselves! it is sad. This whole thing has nothing to do with Nxivm, nor Mr Raniere and definitely not at all related with the 16k+ of people that have chosen to better themselves through the program and their will to become better human beings! If this allegations were to be true in the way they are presented, one's got to wonder... why go to the media instead of the authorities? The answer is, because they already did and found nothing, other than a group women who made some choices and are not taking responsibility for their effects and now are playing the victim card and have to find someone to blame for their actions: "I'm angry at you for what I chose to do". I'm telling you, if these group of people were guys, we would have a whole different story. We could call bullshit on our mates and help them to not just own responsibility for their actions and effects but to also to lovingly help them see how they got themselves into it in the first place and even wisdom could be gained from such experience. I'd like to believe that most of the people commenting on this have a firm conviction to fight for what is right, to uphold humanity and its highest values and to eradicate any type of violence either as an act or as a currency in any human interaction. If you've read this far, that means you care. This is a wake up call to not just believe anything that is fed to us, but to have a critical mind and think for ourselves and most importantly always stay humble and skeptical, that is the basis of true science and not the cynicism of pseudoscience. It is in fact the basis of our society and societal laws, and we could

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basis upon which we build a better, fair, just, loving and compassionate type of humanity. The fact that you wrote the letter and got the presents on Christmas does not prove by any means that the guy in the north pole is real. Remember, it's easier to believe than to think, that is why there are so many believers... I stand by you Lucas Roberts, not only as a friend but also as a representation of courage to uphold value in an honorable way. #proudlyESP #orgullosamenteESP

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Giles Panton replied · 3 Replies · 1 hr



Craig Moffatt Sounds like a lot of brainwashing going on. How could a reasonable human participate with the knowledge of what some are doing to women. Makes me Sick!

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Pilar de la Rosa I'm with you Lucas Roberts! ❤️❤️❤️👊👊👊

#proudlyESPian

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