

LWD Summit 2011 Agenda Overview

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Four Seasons Georgetown, Washington, DC

9:00am to 6:00pm

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION, *Conference Level Foyer*

8:30am to 11:30am

SPEED CAREERING: MENTORING THE NEXT GENERATION, *Dumbarton Room*

Leading Women Defined attendees will participate in a "speed careering" program with high achieving teenage girls from various local organizations to provide inspiration and insight about the wealth of career opportunities available to them. Hosted in partnership with MENTOR/The National Mentoring Partnership, the goal of the session is to expose young girls to senior level executives and show students what is truly possible for them, if they work hard and follow through on their education. The session provides *Leading Women Defined* attendees an opportunity to give back as they help prepare the next generation for success.

Co-Hosts:

Mara Brock Akil, Executive Producer & Creator, THE GAME

Wendy Raquel Robinson, Actor, THE GAME

12:00pm to 1:45pm

DOROTHY HEIGHT LUNCHEON PROGRAM & BUTTERFLY AWARD, *Corcoran Ballroom*

Welcome Remarks:

Debra L. Lee, Chairman & CEO, BET Networks

Keynote Remarks:

Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Butterfly Honoree:

Susan Taylor, Founder, National CARES Mentoring Movement

1:45pm to 2:00pm

TRANSITION BREAK

2:00pm to 5:30pm
AFTERNOON SESSIONS

2:00pm to 3:00pm

ON THE RISE: THE FUTURE OF ACTIVISM, Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B

This session will feature three prominent youth activists who are making extraordinary strides in their respective areas of advocacy. Voicing the perspectives and initiatives they champion, these change agents will share their blueprints for how we can all effect sustainable change in our communities, while navigating the obstacles that inevitably exist.

Research Overview:

"What African American Girls Say" Summary Findings

Presented By: Karen R. Penn, Capital Board of Directors, Girl Scouts of the USA

Moderator:

Tatyana Ali, Producer, Actress, Recording Artist, & Youth Activist

Panelists:

Marvelyn Brown, Author & Emmy Award Winning International AIDS Activist

Kari Fulton, National Campus Coordinator, Environmental Justice & Climate Change Initiative

Zedia Wright, Youth Leader FIERCE

3:00pm to 3:15pm
TRANSITION BREAK / MUSIC BY DJ BEVERLY BOND

3:15pm to 4:15pm

EDUCATION REFORM: BUILDING A MOVEMENT, Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B

This session will address the critical roles that teachers, administrators, parents, and legislators must assume to ensure transformation in America's public education system. Featured panelists will discuss education policy and priorities driving the national education agenda, and, in turn, activate provocative dialogue around the ambitious action steps required to overcome and transform a failed education system.

Moderator:

April Woodard, BET News Correspondent & Host

Panelists:

Roslyn M. Brock, Chairman of the National Board Of Directors, NAACP

Kaya Henderson, Interim Chancellor, DC Public Schools

Nichole Pinkard, Founder, Digital Youth Network

4:15pm to 4:30pm

TRANSITION BREAK / MUSIC BY DJ BEVERLY BOND

4:30pm to 5:30pm

EDUCATION REFORM: BREAKOUT SESSIONS, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon A*
Attendees will breakout into intimate discussion groups for further dialogue on the fragmented education issue, with the goal of developing a white paper detailing action items for change. In partnership with the UNCF, these small group discussions will be individually led by a student from UNCF Gates Foundation Scholars who will adeptly guide participants through a discussion focused on attendees developing a BET/UNCF action plan for how key constituents (parent/communities, teachers/administrators, and lawmakers) address the issue going forward.

5:30pm to 7:30pm

YOUR TIME

7:30pm to 10:30pm

COCKTAILS & DINNER PROGRAM, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B*

Featured Guest:

Sonia Sanchez, Poet, Professor, & Lecturer

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

Four Seasons Georgetown, Washington, DC

7:00am to 8:00am

BLAST THE BELLY FAT WORKOUT, *Four Seasons Fitness Center Dance Studio*

Join Hollywood Trainer Jeanette Jenkins for this All-in-One super calorie burning, adrenaline pumping workout! Using an exercise ball and dumbbells, Jeanette will keep you sweating with her creative and fun "Blast The Belly Fat" circuits. This workout will incorporate Belly Fat Burning Cardio, Total Body Core Sculpting, and Ab Defining Core Exercises! All exercise levels are welcome! Come and join the fun! Capacity limited; first come, first serve.

8:00am to 9:00am

BREAKFAST, *Corcoran Ballroom Foyer*

9:00am to 3:00pm

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION, *Conference Level Foyer*

9:15am to 12:00pm

MORNING SESSIONS

9:15am to 10:30am

THE SUPERWOMAN COMPLEX: WHICH MASK WILL YOU REMOVE?, *Corcoran Ballroom*

This session will illuminate the issues and undertones affiliated with the chronically taboo mental health topic and its impact on the emotional welfare of our community. More prevalent than often acknowledged, mental health issues manifest in myriad ways, both professionally and personally, which, in turn, trigger residual damage to even the most successful individuals. Featured guests will discuss how the Black community can rise above the circumstances and outcomes of mental health issues to live more balanced lives, helping both themselves and those around them.

Research Overview:

Presented By:

Dr. Pamela Y. Collins, Director of the Office for Research on Disparities & Global Mental Health, National Institute of Mental Health

Moderator:

Terrie M. Williams, Founder, The Stay Strong Foundation

Panelists:

Dr. Annelle B. Primm, MD, MPH, Deputy Medical Director & Director of the Office of Minority & National Affairs, American Psychiatric Association

NtozakeShange, Poet, Playwright, & Author

10:30am to 10:45am

TRANSITION BREAK / MUSIC BY DJ BEVERLY BOND

10:45am to 11:45am

THE SUPERWOMAN COMPLEX: BREAKOUT SESSIONS, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon A*

Attendees will breakout into intimate discussion groups facilitated by seasoned psychotherapists for deeper dialogue on the mental health issue, with the goal of brainstorming ways to raise the profile of Mental Health and developing an action plan for addressing this critical issue in our community.

12:00pm to 2:00pm

LUNCHEON PROGRAM, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon A*

WOMEN ON WASHINGTON - ENCORE!

Moderator:

Star Jones, Television Personality & Attorney

Featured Guests:

Melissa Harris-Perry, Associate Professor of Politics & African American Studies, Princeton University; Author; MSNBC Contributor

Michel Martin, Host, Tell Me More, NPR

2:00pm to 2:15pm

TRANSITION BREAK / MUSIC BY DJ BEVERLY BOND

2:15pm to 5:30pm

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

2:15pm to 4:00pm

BLACK GIRLS ROCK: POSITIVELY!, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B*

This session will highlight phenomenal women who are exceptional in their endeavors to boldly portray African American women authentically, substantively, and honorably. These featured guests have expertly influenced and architected the images of our women globally. As content creators and behind the scenes dealmakers, these featured guests will share their brilliance, vision, and achievements in defining how society decodes and views African American women.

Moderator:

Amy DuBois Barnett, Editor-in-Chief, EBONY Magazine

PART I

Mara Brock Akil, Executive Producer & Creator, THE GAME

Beverly Bond, Founder, Black Girls Rock!; TV Producer & Writer

Lisa Cortes, Executive Producer, PRECIOUS

BethannHardison, TV/Film Producer; Editor-at-Large, Vogue Italia Online

Bozoma Saint John, Cultural Branding Marketer, PEPSICO

PART 2

Tichina Arnold, Award Winning Actress

Nicole Ari Parker, Stage / Film / TV Actress

CCH Pounder, Award Winning Actress

Tracee Ellis Ross, Award Winning Actress

4:00pm to 4:15pm

TRANSITION BREAK / MUSIC BY DJ BEVERLY BOND

4:15pm to 5:30pm

THE POWER OF A BLACK WOMAN, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B*

This session will broaden the gender perspective to engage the viewpoints of leading men, representing varied backgrounds, around the power and influence of African American women. Featured guests will address the imperative need to collaborate for the greater benefit of the Black community. This dynamic conversation will provide a candid and constructive dialogue on how women build, sustain, and exert influence in their communities, without compromising partnership with their male counterparts.

Moderator:

Star Jones, Television Personality & Attorney

Panelists:

Michael Eric Dyson, Author, Professor, & Cultural Critic

Boris Kodjoe, Actor

Marc Morial, President & CEO, National Urban League

Tony Porter, Co-Founder, A Call To Men

Reggie Van Lee, Executive Vice President, Booz Allen Hamilton

5:30pm to 7:30pm

YOUR TIME

7:30pm to 12:00am

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

7:30pm to 9:30pm

COCKTAILS & DINNER PROGRAM, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon A*

Featured Guest:

Venus Williams, Tennis Champion, Fashion Designer, Entrepreneur

Moderator:

Tamron Hall, Anchor, NewsNation, MSNBC

SPECIAL PERFORMANCE:

Jenifer Lewis, Film / Television / Theater Actress & Singer

9:30pm to 12:00am

NIGHTCAP & ENTERTAINMENT, *Corcoran Ballroom / Salon B*

Music By DJ Beverly Bond

Fashion FunKshon

Special Music Performance By Be'la Dona

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

Four Seasons Georgetown, Washington, DC

7:00am to 8:00am

POWER YOGA WORKOUT, *Four Seasons Fitness Center Dance Studio*

Hollywood Trainer Jeanette Jenkins will flow you through Yoga sequences that will help you achieve a long, lean, flexible and toned body. Each yoga sequence will connect the breath, allowing you to relax & de-stress, creating a hormonal harmony necessary to burn fat & feel at peace. Join us for this great opportunity to release your mind and open your heart. All exercise levels are welcome! Come and join the fun! Capacity limited; first come, first serve.

8:00am to 10:00am

BREAKFAST

10:00am to 12:00pm

HOTEL CHECK OUT & DEPARTURE