

MGM Resorts Foundation's Women's Leadership Conference Celebrates 10th Anniversary

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The conference will mark this major milestone with unique programming, including career advancement training, networking opportunities and a forum to discuss real life challenges faced by women professionals

LAS VEGAS, Jan. 26, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- The MGM Resorts Foundation today announced that registration is open for the 10th Annual Women's Leadership Conference. Hosted by MGM Resorts International (NYSE: MGM), the conference is Aug. 8-9, 2016, at the MGM Grand Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, NV.

The two-day event will feature acclaimed keynote leaders; instructional workshops; interview and panel discussions with diverse and nationally recognized speakers; entertainment and more. The conference is open to women of all ethnicities, professions and social backgrounds, locally and nationally, and men who support them.

The conference was first established as the Women of Color Conference in 2006 as a way to provide women from all walks of life with education and development opportunities that specifically addressed the dynamic needs of both emerging and established women professionals.

During the past decade, the conference has grown in size, scope and reputation, drawing sellout crowds in 2014 and 2015. Through dynamic programming and acclaimed speakers, organizers have also established it as a major women's conference in the Western region. Attendance for the 10th anniversary conference is expected to surpass last year's record.

"That we've built such a devoted following demonstrates the need for a conference like this," said Phyllis James, Executive Vice President and Chief Diversity Officer for MGM Resorts International. "We're honored that women in the workforce have come to think of the Women's Leadership Conference as a must-do, and we strive every year to exceed their expectations."

The support of programming that advances the lives and careers of women, as well as the local community, is a key

initiative for the MGM Resorts Foundation. Currently, women make up 47 percent of the overall U.S. workforce, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, but remain underrepresented in many key leadership positions. At MGM Resorts, women make up over 50 percent of the total workforce, while nearly 43 percent of managers within the company are women, according to 2014 statistics.

The MGM Resorts Foundation donates proceeds from the conference after costs to one or more local nonprofit agencies devoted to the welfare and development of women and girls. WestCare Nevada, a nonprofit community resource dedicated to the welfare of women and children, received a \$30,000 gift from the 2014 conference.

The early registration fee for participants is \$375 until April 30, after which registration will cost \$450. Registration includes the full conference and all workshops and lectures, a networking reception, and continental breakfasts and lunches catered by MGM Grand. Time is also allotted for attendees to build key professional relationships with other women attending while enjoying the hospitality and entertainment of MGM Grand and other MGM Resorts attractions.

Participating sponsorships are available to organizations or companies who share the vision and goals of this conference.

For more information about the Women's Leadership Conference, or to register, please visit www.mgmresortsfoundation.org/womensleadershipconference/.

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