

July 2019

QueenPins Speaker Expression of Interest

Who are the QueenPins?

The QueenPins are powerful Halifax women coming together to raise money for a local cause while networking with other women of influence. Started in the spring of 2016 by a small but mighty group of women leaders with a dream of making a difference, the inaugural event was a unique networking experience for more than 100 women business leaders, raising funds for the Canadian Women's Rugby Team. Since then, QueenPins has also supported Junior Achievement of Nova Scotia, Habitat for Humanity Nova Scotia, Eating Disorders Nova Scotia, Friendly Divas, and Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Halifax.

We don't just network. Together with our partners, we offer an interactive, social, and learning experience. Yes, we make new connections and grow established relationships. We also showcase local businesses and organizations at exhibitor booths and feature a program of top-notch speakers who inspire, educate, and entertain.

The QueenPins 2019 Fall Fundraising Event will take place **Thursday, November 7th, 2019**, in the Schooner Room at Casino Nova Scotia. This time, QueenPins will be supporting **Avalon Sexual Assault Centre**.

Our 2019 Fall Fundraiser theme:

Claim Your Space

As women, we have to work hard to take up space in the world – to take our rightful place at the table and claim our safety and power.

We take up space in many ways: by calling out injustice, by telling the truth about our experiences, by sharing our talents, and by being unapologetically ourselves.

This year, QueenPins wants to hear how YOU claim your space. Own your story by sharing it with us!

Fall 2019 Cause:

The Avalon Sexual Assault Centre is a feminist organization working to eliminate sexual assault/abuse, and to change the current socio-political culture that fosters sexism, social injustice and other forms of oppression.

The Avalon Sexual Assault Centre aspires to a world in which individuals are empowered and mobilized to share responsibility in creating communities free from sexualized violence and abuse. They provide a leadership role in raising awareness, supporting those who have experienced sexualized violence, holding sexual perpetrators accountable, and influencing social and systemic change.

Read more about ASAC by visiting:

<http://avaloncentre.ca>



Speaker Requirements

The QueenPins committee will select up to four speakers to present at the QueenPins Fall Fundraiser. Talks can range from five to 20 minutes and may be individual or panel style. Selected speakers will be dynamic, educational, and inspirational.

Speakers will be required to:

- provide a bio and photo for promotional purposes,
- promote the event within their networks and may be asked to provide a one- to two-minute teaser video to be used in promotion, and
- participate in a speaker briefing session to work on the focus of their talk and ensure that there is no overlap with other speakers. Selected speakers will also receive training/coaching to perfect their talk.

Submission requirements:

Part 1: Written Submission (350 word max)

- Name and contact information
- Organization or company affiliation (if relevant)
- Speaking experience
- Why you think you would be a good fit for QueenPins
- Whether your talk is more tactical or inspirational (we are looking for a mix of both)
- Two references, including names and contact information

Part 2: Video Submission

- One- to three-minute video submission of the beginning of your talk. If you have a recording of a talk you have done in the past, this may be submitted in lieu.

All applications received before **August 30, 2019** will be considered for the QueenPins Fall Fundraiser on November 7th, 2019.

For more information or to submit your application, please call Kaitlyn Touesnard at 902-229-1707 or email Kaitlyn@crescendoevents.ca