



Breaking barriers and building foundations

2024 CONFERENCE AGENDA
March 7-8, 2024 @ WILD HORSE PASS

March 7, 2024

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Pre-Conference Flow Yoga or Nature Walk on the Immersive Trails

11:00 – 1:00 p.m: Registration

1:00 – 1:15 p.m: Welcome & Opening Remarks

- **Wakako Uritani**, Lorber, Greenfield & Polito, LLP
- **Staci Woolsey**, Granite Construction Inc. – Presenting Message

1:15 – 2:00 p.m.: Leading with Vulnerability

- Moderator: **Vernan Ibong**, Vice President Operations, Castle Contracting, L.L.C.
- **Manasi Pitkar**, Senior Preconstruction Director, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- **Maryann Skraba**, Project Director, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- **Michael Kim**, Vice President Design Integration, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.: Mentorship – Sponsorship – Allyship – the Art of Helping Women in Today’s Work Environment

- Moderator - **Cynthia Garcia**, Chief Risk Officer, Bernards
- **Spencer Dickman**, Vice President, Complex Risk, NFP
- **Chris Smith**, Senior Vice President, Construction Commercial Property & Casualty, NFP
- **Jessica Rasulo**, Construction Risk Executive, WTW

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.: Break

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.: Ladders of Success

- **Alicia Wachtel**, Executive Director, Facilities Planning, Design and Construction, Cedars-Sinai
- **Diane Anglin**, Partner, Carta Advisors LLC

4:15 – 5:45 p.m.: Keynote speaker: Jamie McMillan – An ironworker since 2002, she will share her story "From GRIT to GLORY: This Girl is Made in the Trades."

5:45 – 7:00 p.m.: Book Highlight – Meet the Author
It’s a Tug Life, by Laura Watkins Utterback

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.: Cocktail & Food Reception

2023 CONFERENCE AGENDA – DAY 2

March 8, 2024

7:15 – 8:45 a.m.: Networking Breakfast

8:00 – 9:05 a.m.: Innovative Projects

Project 1: UC San Diego Pepper Canyon West Housing - *Perseverance: The Unique Female Superpower We Need to Reclaim*

- **KK Clark, Project Executive**, Clark Construction
- **Taryn Swopes – Superintendent**, Clark Construction
- **Aleya Abeshima - Project Manager**, Clark Construction

Project 2: Sandrini Solar Project - Constructing Resilience through a clean energy future

- **Amanda Amos**, Granite Industrial

9:05 – 9:55 a.m.: Male Allies – From Intention to Impact. Partnering to Drive Change in Advancing Women

- Moderator, **Heather Marin**, Director of Operations, Haydon Building Corporation
- **Bob Hart**, President AECOM Construction Management
- **Marco Campos**, Founder and Chief Executive, Campos Holding Company
- **John Graham**, Vice President of Construction Ops, Pulte Group, Inc.
- **Michael Corona**, Project Director-Civil, Haydon Building Corporation
- **Phil Jankowski**, Regional Manager, ISEC

9:55 – 10:15 a.m.: Break

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.: Guest Speaker – Liz Habib – She is a two-time American Emmy award-winning journalist. Habib spent 16 accomplished years at KTTV in Los Angeles as the primary sports anchor, journalist, and a contributor to national and international media, including CNN, Fox Sports, Fox News, and NPR.

11:00-11:45.: Leadership, Intentional Mentorship & Development

- Moderator, **Jennifer Aquino**, DEI Coordinator, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- **Terry Petlowany**, Organizational Development Manager, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- **Krista Reel**, Executive Assistant/Office Manager, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.
- **Andrea Guillory**, Learning & Development Solutions Manager, McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Building Resilience through Wellbeing

- Moderator, **Laura Watkins Utterback**, Newmeyer & Dillion
- **Kelly Lam**, Whole Purpose
- **Jan Jensen**, Raymond Group
- **Merrell Botello**, Burnham Benefits Insurance Group
- **Lucy Salermo**, Wonder Brett Farms

12:30 p.m.: Closing Remarks and Announcement of Next Year's Date and Location

- **Holly Davies**, Campos
- **Wakako Uritani**, Lorber, Greenfield & Polito, LLP