

Speakers on Motivation



Carole Bertuzzi Luciani - A dynamic speaker with a unique style, Carole keeps audiences engaged, enthused and energized. Luciani counsels people on balancing their lives, coping with difficult others and revitalizing their workplaces. She sprinkles each session with her infectious brand of humour, relying on the everyday trials and tribulations of her own life. Listeners love her, leaving her sessions with a little more spring in their steps and always smiles on their faces! Through her experience in education, recreation and health care, Carole successfully develops programs to meet the needs of each audience.



Shaunna Burke - Shaunna's passion for the mountains has led her to become the second Canadian woman in history to summit Mount Everest. Some of her climbing highlights include a successful ascent of Mount Elbrus, Europe's highest peak, and the difficult traverse of Mount Blanc from Italy to France. In 2004, she was a main character in The Discovery Channel documentary mini-series that was filmed on Mt. Everest titled "Ultimate Survival: Everest" and continued to make history by conducting her research while on the upper reaches of the mountain. Shaunna is an established motivational speaker using her experiences on Mt. Everest as a metaphor for overcoming the challenges of life.



Dave Chilton - Chilton is the author of Canada's all-time best-selling book, *The Wealthy Barber*. For more than a decade Dave has been among the most sought-after speakers in North America. A dynamic speaker, Chilton not only looks at the big picture, but at the individual tasks and risks involved in achieving success. Through his own intensely personal and compelling success story, Dave shows his audiences how the power of focus and perspective can change your way of doing business.



Ron Ellis - Celebrated hockey legend, Ron Ellis, combined skill and sporting play throughout his 15-year NHL career with the Toronto Maple Leafs. In his motivational speeches, Ron gets into the sense of the drama and passion that fuelled his years in hockey and how teamwork and working together are such an important part of winning. Great after-dinner entertainment for both hockey fans and those who wish they were! After his retirement, Ellis began fighting a battle with depression and has since been dedicated to mental health care and awareness.



Sharon Hampson - Sharon is a member of Canada's much-loved trio of family entertainers, Sharon, Lois & Bram, who have entertained families across North America since 1978. A three-time breast cancer survivor, Sharon Hampson's far-reaching career and life experiences are the foundation for her message. With her personal stories, Sharon shows how to use resilience and optimism as a springboard to success and happiness. For much of her life, Sharon has been singing her way into the hearts of families and fighting for the health of Canadian women."



Dr. Janet Lapp - Dr. Lapp has spent over 30 years in health care as a registered nurse, nurse manager, lab director and clinical psychologist. After earning a Ph.D. from McGill University, Dr. Lapp was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship, and she pursued a successful career as a clinician, researcher and university professor before founding her own leadership development firm. Dr. Janet Lapp is one of the most sought-after speakers in the world today, dealing with how to adapt to an information society, and how to develop the skills to thrive with change. Her energy-charged, exhilarating programs offer effective ideas with relevant and timely applications to lead people into the future.



Silken Laumann – Laumann is best known as the athlete who suffered a devastating injury just weeks before the 1992 Barcelona games, and then went on to win the Bronze Medal for Canada. She has captured the hearts of a nation with her story of determination and her warm and friendly presence. We know her as a medalist from 3 Olympics; as the 2-time winner of the Canadian Female Athlete of the Year award; as the recipient of the Lou Marsh award in 1992 as Canada's top athlete and as the winner of the Wilma Rudolph Courage Award in 1997 – the first time the award went to a non-American. Silken travels the world to speak to people about finding their own courage and striving to reach their full potential.



Catriona LeMay Doan - After carrying the Canadian flag into the 2002 Olympic Winter Games opening ceremonies (her fourth Olympics), Catriona Le May Doan defended her Olympic title with a Gold medal performance in the 500-metre speed skating event, becoming the first Canadian individual to defend a gold medal at any Olympic games. She has twice been named Canada's female athlete of the year and received the Lou Marsh Award as Canada's athlete of the year. In 2005, she became a recipient of the Order of Canada. She was inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame in November of 2005. In addition to being a world champion athlete, Le May Doan is a talented bilingual, motivational speaker. Articulate and engaging, she explores with her audiences the method of achieving personal excellence.



Mike Lipkin - Mike Lipkin is a Toronto-based speaker, author, motivator and persuasion coach who has worked in twenty-two countries with over 1,000,000 people. In his program titled THE ULTIMATE SKILL: How to Create Something from Nothing, Lipkin shows people how to acquire the ultimate skill that will captivate clients, wow customers and differentiate them from their competition in today's commoditized market. Using examples from conglomerates such as Toyota, IBM and Procter & Gamble, Mike demonstrates how to consistently create new possibilities from existing realities that yield extraordinary rewards.



Maurice O'Callaghan - Maurice O'Callaghan is one of Canada's finest and most popular professional speakers. He is a change master who understands how people learn and what motivates individuals and organizations to make important, significant improvements. Timeless values, unforgettable experiences and humour are skillfully integrated into every presentation. Through his exceptional delivery and powerful insights, audiences learn practical and proven approaches to enriching their lives as individuals and as critical members of the organizations that depend on them.



Gord Paynter - For over 15 years, Gord Paynter has been entertaining audiences throughout North America with his original brand of humour. Losing his eyesight in his early twenties as a result of diabetes, Gord thought his lifelong dream of becoming a comedian was gone forever. His lack of vision has not affected his perceptiveness. If anything, it's made him more perceptive, creating a unique style of comedy and motivation that never fails to leave the audiences laughing. Gord's unique ability to drop key company names and work situations into his shared stories and jokes, gives every presentation a fresh and personal feel.



Robin Sharma - Robin Sharma is a world-renowned authority on leadership, change, elite performance and self-discovery. The widely acclaimed author of 7 books including the global blockbuster The Monk Who Sold His Ferrari, Robin is in constant demand as a keynote speaker, seminar leader and executive coach for organizations committed to true leadership in these times of high-velocity change. Robin Sharma is a well-known media personality who has appeared in TIME Magazine, USA Today, SUCCESS and other national publications; Robin has also appeared on over 1000 radio and television programs ranging from NBC to CNN.