

Women in ASHRAE

2024 Leadership Symposium

September 26-27, 2024
Chicago, IL | Westin Michigan Ave.

Session Overview

Updated: 13 June 2024

Thursday, September 26

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Keynote

Keynote 1

Room: General Session: Great Lakes Ballroom, Level 2

1. **Erin McConahey**, Principal, ASHRAE, and ARUP Fellow, ARUP

2:15 PM - 3:30 PM

Session 1

IDEA (Inclusivity, Diversity, Equity) Workshop

Room: Breakout 1: Erie, Level 2

Chair: Cherish Samuels

1. **Women in STEM: Single Question Answered 3 Ways**

Kenya Davis, TRANE,

2. **Women in STEM: Single Question Answered 3 Ways**

Jenny Abney Sivie, Norman S Wright,

3. Women in STEM: Single Question Answered 3 Ways

Danielle Passaglia, SmithGroup,

2:15 PM - 3:30 PM

Session 2

Mentorship/Coach/Sponsors/Interactive Matching

Room: Breakout 2: Ontario, Level 2

Chair: Julia Keen, P.E., PhD, FASHRAE, HBDP, Kansas State University

1. Confidence & Competence: Striking the Perfect Balance

Julia Keen, P.E., PhD, FASHRAE, HBDP, Kansas State University

2. Confidence & Competence: Striking the Perfect Balance

Jennifer Leach, PE, Full Member, BR+A, Vienna, VA

3:45PM – 4:45PM

Session 3

Empowering Women in the Workplace: Leveraging AI for Enhanced Productivity and Creativity

Room: Breakout 1: Erie, Level 2

Chair: Fiona McCarthy, P.E. BEAP, QCxP, LEED AP, Associate, Grumman|Butkus Associates

1. Empowering Women in the Workplace: Leveraging AI for Enhanced Productivity and Creativity

Colleen Keyworth, CEng, Online Access Inc.

2. Empowering Women in the Workplace: Leveraging AI for Enhanced Productivity and Creativity

Mallory Manaseer,

3:45 PM – 4:45PM

Session 4

Management/Prioritization (Softskills)

Room: Breakout 2: Ontario, Level 2

Chair: Kellie R Huff, Varitec Solutions

1. Leading with Empathy and By Priority: Essential Skills for Top Managers

Nancy Kohout, Principal, SmithGroup

2. Leading with Empathy and By Priority: Essential Skills for Top Managers

Maison Schultz, ADG Blatt

Friday, September 27

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Keynote 2

Keynote 2

Room: General Session: Great Lakes Ballroom, Level 2

1. Ginger Scoggins, PE, CEM, CxA, FASHRAE, Principal, Engineered Designs, Inc

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Session 5

The S in the ESG

Room: Breakout 1: Erie, Level 2

Chair: Cherish Samuels, Amazon

1. ESG: Fundamentals, Advocacy, and Sustainability

Meagan Garrett., The Climate Control Group Inc

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM

Session 6

Career Path

Room: Breakout 2: Ontario, Level 2

Chair: Hetal Lee, JLL

1. Engineering the Climb: Women's Path to Leadership in HVAC

Julie Lardenoit, Stantec Consulting Services Inc,

2. Engineering the Climb: Women's Path to Leadership in HVAC

Catherine Tojoga, CT Mechanical

3. Engineering the Climb: Women's Path to Leadership in HVAC

Cheryl Carron, JLL

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

Session 7

Navigating ASHRAE/Latest Standards+DECARB

Room: Breakout 1: Erie, Level 2

Chair: Maggie Moninski, Singh + Associates

1. Turning Down the Heat: ASHRAE Standards Updates and the Quest for Decarbonization

Brittany Fiema, SmithGroup

2. Turning Down the Heat: ASHRAE Standards Updates and the Quest for Decarbonization

Sarah Maston, Colliers Engineering

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM

Session 8

Negotiation/Finance

Room: Breakout 2: Ontario, Level 2

Chair: Tiffany Abruzzo, Envirosep

1. Beyond the Spreadsheet: Practical Financial Management for Leaders

Ruth King, CEO/Owner

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Keynote Panel

Women in Leadership Panel with Q&A

Room: General Session: Great Lakes Ballroom, Level 2

Chair: Nancy Kohout, SmithGroup

1. She Leads: Strategies for Success from Top Women Leaders,

Barb Hickey, Willis Tower

2. She Leads: Strategies for Success from Top Women Leaders,

Sandra Henry, Slipstream

3. She Leads: Strategies for Success from Top Women Leaders

Nancy Simoneau, SIMONEAU

2:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Session 9

YEA Presentation Panel

Room: Breakout 1: Erie, Level 2

Chair: Filza Walters, Texas A&M University

1. Next Gen HVAC: The Impact of Young Engineers in ASHRAE

Janice Means, Retired from Lawrence Technological University

2. Next Gen HVAC: The Impact of Young Engineers in ASHRAE

Christina Lail, WSP

3. Next Gen HVAC: The Impact of Young Engineers in ASHRAE

Erato Vasileiou, CIBSE and JLL, United Kingdom

2:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Session 10

Work/Family Balance & Support Forum

Room: Breakout 2: Ontario, Level 2

Chair: Fiona McCarthy, P.E. BEAP, QCxP, LEED AP, Associate, Grumman|Butkus Associates

1. Life in the Leadership Lane: Balancing Family and HVAC Careers

Fiona McCarthy, P.E. BEAP, QCxP, LEED AP, Associate, Grumman|Butkus Associates

2. Life in the Leadership Lane: Balancing Family and HVAC Careers

Darcy Carbonne, APA HVAC Technologies

3. Life in the Leadership Lane: Balancing Family and HVAC Careers

Sheila Hayter, Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP)