



2021 INSPIRING FROM WITHIN Professional Development Conference

THEME: KINDNESS

DAY 1 SPEAKERS:

ORLANDO BOWEN



Once Voice, One Team

Orlando is the founder and executive Director of One Voice One Team Youth Leadership, which empowers youth to utilize leadership skills and talents to better themselves and their community. He has been repeatedly recognized for his incredible work. He was selected as one of the 2012 Diverse-City Fellows; is a recipient of a 2012 African Canadian Achievement Award; was bestowed with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2013; and was the national 2014 Harry Jerome Award winner for community service

SCAACHI KOUL



Culture Writer at BuzzFeed & Bestselling Author.

Known for her brash, smart & witty commentary, Scaachi Koul is one of BuzzFeed's most engaging writers. She can be hilarious and down-to-earth while still being fearless and thought-provoking on challenging discussions around gender dynamics, racial tensions and ethnic stereotypes. Her presentations ensure your audience will think about their interactions with others with more thoughtfulness in future.

DAY 2 SPEAKERS:

RAPTORS SUPERFAN, NAV BHATIA



Kindness During Times of Adversity

Toronto has been named the most multicultural city in the world, yet many of the immigrants to the city still encounter racism long after they've arrived. Nav Bhatia immigrated to Canada from India with a mechanical engineering degree in 1984. After overcoming significant prejudice and obstacles as a Sikh, today he boasts successful business enterprises and the coveted title of "Superfan" of the Toronto Raptors

LISA LISSON



President: FedEx Express Canada

As the president of FedEx Express Canada, Lisa Lisson has risen from an associate marketing specialist to one of Canada's most powerful and influential transportation executives.

As the leader of over 10,000 employees across 64 locations, Lisa has helped build FedEx Express Canada into the most reliable courier network in the country, allowing consumers and businesses to connect Canada and the entire world with uncompromising speed and reliability.

Lisa has become a renowned public speaker in Canada and the United States for her revealing discussion about becoming the first woman and first Canadian president in FedEx Express Canada history. The sudden passing of her husband at a young age, raising their four children as a single mother, while building a successful career has enabled Lisa to acquire many insights and advice that she shares with her audiences with openness and frankness.