



# Thursday Thoughts

## Purpose and Possibility!

RMPI breakout session workshops have been selected for this year's conference, "Purpose and Possibility". RMPI will be an engaging virtual conference. We will be simultaneously hosting six breakout session workshops on Thursday, September 9th and an additional six breakout session workshops on Friday, September 10th.

Our speakers will bring a wealth of knowledge and new perspectives to provide nonprofit professionals the opportunity to brush up on fundraising skills, network, and set intentions for a post-pandemic era where a world of possibility lies ahead. We believe that our industry has the opportunity to lead the charge in embracing change and setting a purposeful and

### RMPI Breakout Session Workshops

LESLIE ALLEN & ANN GOLDMAN

#### THE FUTURE OF BOARD FUNDRAISING

ROBERT AUSTIN, APR

#### STOP RAISING AWARENESS AND CHANGE BEHAVIORS INSTEAD

RACHEL D'SOUZA-SIEBERT & AMIE BOSSI

#### FIND YOUR PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY-CENTRIC FUNDRAISING MOVEMENT

MIRANDA GRAUL

#### ABCS OF EVENT FUNDRAISING

ZACH HOCHSTADT & KIMBERLEE SIA

#### BRANDING WITH PURPOSE: MESSAGING FOR COLORADO "I HAVE A DREAM" THROUGH AN ASSET-BASED LENS

JACKIE KAPLAN-PERKINS

#### CONFESSIONS OF A WHITE SUPREMACIST FUNDRAISER

KRISTY KOKEN

#### HOW TO BUILD AN EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

MY LO COOK

#### MANIFESTING OUR VALUES INTO PRACTICE

LAURA SUNDSTROM & JUDITH STEED

#### LEARNING TO BUILD BRIDGES: HOW DOING EVALUATION OUT LOUD

UMA TRIVEDE

#### TRANSFORM STORYTELLING: HOW TO TELL A STORY THAT IS NOT YOUR OWN

MELANIE ULLE

#### THE DYNAMICS OF THE MAJOR GIFT ASK

KIMBERLY URISH

#### STEWARDSHIP MAGIC

inclusive path forward. We are excited to offer workshops from speakers who champion inclusivity in fundraising and our communities.

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## Job Postings

Western Resouce Advocates - **Donor Relations Officer**

[See all job postings >>](#)

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## Managing Your Time And Energy To Be A Successful Leader



Our personal and professional lives move in the direction of our strongest thought. As leaders in the non-profit sector, we are often asked to share our knowledge, experience, and can be pulled in several different directions that may not always best serve the mission of our organizations. **John Wolfkill**, Executive Director of the Community College of Aurora Foundation, will discuss how we can improve our attention management, work to remove our cognitive biases, and remove distractions to become more proactive in leading to success. As

leaders, we work to focus the attention of others to accomplish a goal and John's session will work to help us recognize what changes we can make to be more successful leaders.

**May 18th, 2021**

9:00 am - 10:00 am

[Register](#)

## Learn More, Consider Others, Embrace Change

In last week's AFP Perspectives piece, Shannon N. Foucault, MBA, CFRE, addresses the harm in common fundraising practices and shares what fundraising professionals and nonprofits can do to address racism and inequities within our sector in [Dear Colleagues: Learn More, Consider Others, Embrace Change](#).

This week, Melody Song, CFRE, addresses authenticity when addressing diversity in [Our Authentic Selves and Doing Diversity Right](#). Read these important pieces, and consider how you can learn more, consider others, be authentic and embrace change in your work and your world.



Thursday, May 13th  
8:00 am - 10:00 am

### Events in 2021 - How to Plan Them with Reggie Rivers

Join us at this month's Coffee Chat on Thursday, May 13 at 8:00 am. You'll have the opportunity to network virtually with fellow fundraising professionals before hearing from **Reggie Rivers** on how to



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plan events in 2021. Reggie will share trends he's seeing as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. He'll also share some considerations to keep in mind when making the decision to keep events virtual vs. returning to in-person.

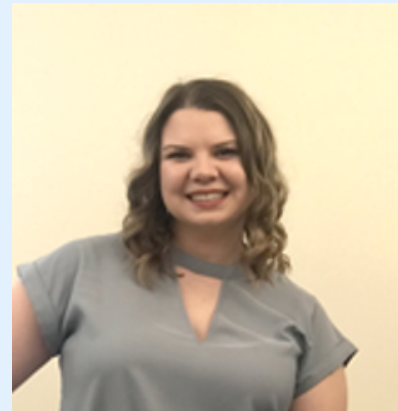
### Join Zoom Meeting

Anyone with fundraising duties in their job description is welcome to attend. Coffee Chats are free to everyone and there is no need to register

## Member Spotlight

### **KUDOS! Celebrating the accomplishments of our members.**

Congratulations to **Erin Bolinger** with Children's Hospital Colorado Foundation on her promotion to Senior Coordinator, Gift Planning. Erin is responsible for interacting and nurturing relationships that support the Gift Planning efforts to benefit the children and families of Children's Hospital Colorado. She will be the point person for all gifts that come to the Foundation through estates and being responsible for successfully getting estate gifts recorded.



If you have some great news to share, like a promotion, a new job, or an award received, email us at [AFPkudos@gmail.com](mailto:AFPkudos@gmail.com). Please note this is specifically to celebrate our Members, so no need to send the results of your latest campaign or event

## Upcoming AFP Events

### May 13th

Coffee Chat: Events in 2021 - How to Plan Them with Reggie Rivers

[Learn More](#)

### May 18th

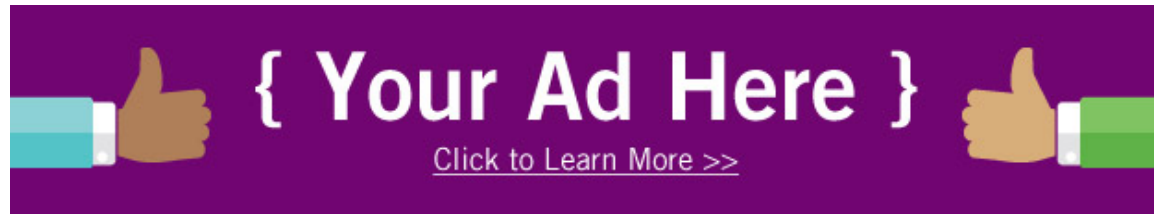
AFP Education Event: Managing Time and Energy to be Successful Leaders

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### June 14th

Nominations for NPD 2021 Youth and Youth Group Awards. Due June 14th.

[Nomination Forms Here](#)



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