



ATHENA
NextGen

Thought
Leadership
Series

ATHENA Orlando Women's Leadership, Inc. Accepting Applications for 2023 NextGen Class

Orlando, Fla. — ATHENA Orlando Women's Leadership, Inc., a 501(c)(3) that offers dynamic programs for professional women in Central Florida, is accepting applications for the 2023 Class of ATHENA NextGen. The program provides a toolkit for developing emerging leaders as well as a 360 degree look at how to shape business mentoring in our community. The application deadline is Friday, March 17.

The ATHENA NextGen program consists of eight sessions, each focusing on one of ATHENA's Eight Leadership Principles: Live Authentically, Learn Constantly, Advocate Fiercely, Act Courageously, Foster Collaboration, Build Relationships, Give Back, and Celebrate. Beginning in May and running through December, the sessions are held once a month in the morning. Emerging women leaders or veteran professionals who have recently re-entered the workforce or embarked on a new career path are encouraged to apply.

"Our leadership development program is ideal for Central Florida women who are looking to advance in their career and reach the next level of leadership," said Melanie DiVirgilio, President of ATHENA Orlando Women's Leadership, Inc. "Where else can you get access to and advice from a group of the most highly respected women business professionals in our area? I invite you to join us at an upcoming recruitment event or visit us online for more information and consider applying."

The cost for the entire program is \$750 and includes full registration, educational materials, networking social events, breakfast at each session, and a copy of *Becoming ATHENA: Eight Principles of Enlightened Leadership* by Martha Mertz, Founder of ATHENA International.

For questions about ATHENA Orlando Women's Leadership, Inc. or to apply for ATHENA NextGen, please visit <https://athenaleadershiporlando.org> or email ATHENAnextgenOrlando@gmail.com.

###

ABOUT ATHENA INTERNATIONAL

ATHENA International is a catalyst for developing diverse, transformative leaders who create a balance in leadership voices worldwide. We ignite, amplify, and celebrate girls, women and allies through experiential programs that empower them to discover and activate the authentic leader within. The established ATHENA Leadership Model is at the heart of everything we do and is driven by the Eight Principles of Enlightened Leadership: Live Authentically, Learn Constantly, Build Relationships, Foster Collaboration, Act Courageously, Advocate Fiercely, Give Back and Celebrate. Our gold-standard ATHENA Leadership Programs give individuals and organizations the tools and knowledge needed to

sustain and grow a global community of allied leaders. We support women entrepreneurs in reaching new levels of success through ATHENAPowerLink®, an innovative mentorship program that connects selected women entrepreneurs with an advisory board tailored to fit their needs and grow their businesses. For more than 40 years, we have recognized outstanding women and pioneering leaders with global, national and community ATHENA Leadership Awards. With nearly 8,000 recipients we celebrate the changemakers and trailblazers who open doors of leadership and opportunity for women in communities across the globe.

Media Contact: Michelle Griffith of BoardroomPR at (954) 370-8999 or mgriffith@boardroopr.com