



The emcee for today's luncheon is **Belva Davis**, a past Women Who Dare honoree, and award-winning journalist who has covered politics for almost five decades. She has anchored at three major network affiliates—**CBS**, **NBC**, and **PBS**—and currently hosts a highly respected political affairs program for **KQED-TV** in San Francisco, the most watched public television station in the country.

Davis has garnered national recognition from the **Corporation for Public Broadcasting** and the **Education Writers Association**, and has received a **Life-time Achievement Award** from the **International Women's Media Foundation**.

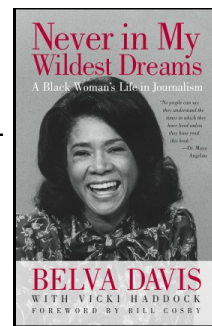
In 2008, Davis was inducted into the **National Association of Black Journalists Hall of Fame**. The previous year she received the **Panetta Institute for Public Policy Award for Public Service**.

She has earned eight regional **Emmys** for her reporting on a variety of topics, including the AIDS epidemic, Castro's Cuba, breast cancer, and learning disabilities. **The Northern California Radio-Television News Directors Association** and the **Associated Press News Service** have awarded her **Certificates of Excellence**.

For more than a decade, Davis was the **National Equal Employment Opportunities Chair for AFTRA**, the broadcast union where she advocated for women, minorities, and the disabled in the television industry. She was the first African American woman hired to work on television in the western United States, and she is profiled in the **Newseum**, the world's first interactive museum of news.

Davis is the recipient of **three honorary doctorates** and is a trustee of the **Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco**, the **Museum of the African Diaspora**, the **War Memorial Performing Arts Center**, and the **Institute on Aging**. She is a member of the **San Francisco Chapter of Links Inc.** and an honorary member of **Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority**.

Belva Davis overcame the obstacles of racism and sexism, and helped change the face and focus of television news. Now she is sharing the story of her extraordinary life in her poignantly honest memoir, *Never in My Wildest Dreams*.



Mind Award: These awardees have impacted the community by providing a product or service to support better mental health

Amy Ahlers

Amy Ahlers, The Wake-Up Call Coach, is on a mission to wake you up to the truth about how fabulous you are. She is a celebrated International Certified Success Coach, the CEO of *Wake-Up Call Coaching*, the co-creator of *Inner Mean Girl Reform School* and the creator of many tele-seminars such as *The Women Masters* and *New Man, New Woman, New Life*,. Her first book, ***Big Fat Lies Women Tell Themselves***, is a rallying cry for women to stop being so hard on themselves and is slated for release in Fall 2011 by *New World Library*. Visit www.ReadyToGetInspired.com for Amy's free Fabulous You in 30-minutes kit!



Kelsey Johnson

Kelsey is a Senior at Saint Joseph Notre Dame High School (SJND) in Alameda and is a founding member of a group known as The Us's, an alliance of gay and straight students at SJND. In response to recent concerns nationwide about young people being bullied, Kelsey worked with a student group to establish every classroom and every office on the school's campus as a Safe Zone for students who might feel like they don't fit in. Her actions have impacted SJND by providing peace of mind for all students. Kelsey plans to attend college in the Fall and pursue a degree in Social Work and Environmental Studies.



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Awards Category: Body

Body Award: These awardees have impacted the community by providing a product or service to support improved physical health

Dr. Victoria Brown

Vicki Brown, DC, is Board Eligible in Chiropractic Neurology and she is Certified in Chiropractic Spinal Trauma. As a graduate from the Floyd School of Nursing with a BS of Nursing from Georgia State University, she obtained national certification in Critical Care and Nursing Leadership and was a nursing instructor for clinical skills and trauma/critical care nursing. Dr. Brown also holds certifications in: Certified Matrix Energetics, Yuen, Acupoint Integrative Technique and Hypnotherapy, and Reiki Practitioner. Dr. Vicki creates a personalized health care plan for each patient based on their individual needs and concerns that addresses the clients physical, mental, emotional, psychological, psychic, and spiritual levels.



Samantha Chin

Samantha is a senior at the Alameda Science and Technology Institute. Looking to stimulate her intellectual curiosity for science beyond the classroom, she became a research volunteer at Children's Hospital Oakland Research Institute. There she provides biotechnical support to studies looking to identify genetic predictors of Type 1 diabetes.

Last summer, she was an intern at Stanford Institute of Medicine Summer Research Program. She worked in the Pediatric Cardiac Surgery Laboratory. Her project focused on the changes in gene expression of a specific cardiac tissue that are linked to vascular disease in infants. This knowledge has the potential to improve the quality of life for many infants.

Samantha is involved with her school's Student Advisory Commission and the Alameda Youth Advisory Commission, working on a grassroots level to maintain a direct youth voice to the City Council while also promoting the involvement and participation of youth in local government. In college, Samantha hopes to study biology and political science, participate in cutting-edge research, merge activism and academia, and act directly on crucial issues on a global platform.

Soul Award: These awardees have impacted the community by providing a product or service to support the concept of spiritual health



Julie Daley

Julie Daley is a Coach, teacher, and writer, and has led hundreds of people from all walks of life to take an inward journey of the creative heart—the source within each of us that guides us to answers, healing, and personal evolution.

After a 15-year career in the financial industry and Computer Science and Design degree from Stanford University she felt called to follow her inner voice. In 2001, she left her career and became a certified Creativity in Business teacher, received coaching certification and studied with top teachers and trainers from around the world in emotional intelligence, conscious embodiment, spontaneous awakening, the sacred feminine, finding one’s purpose, and disconnecting from negative conditioning.

Julie guides individuals in specialized creativity courses across the country, and serves coaching clients around the world. “As my own journey towards discovering my creative nature as a woman deepens, I’m adapting all I’ve experienced and learned to create and offer courses and coaching that help guide women into their own internal landscape.”

Lorraine Cawili

Lorraine Cawili, currently an 11th grader from Alameda Science and Technology Institute (ASTI), also takes four college classes at the College of Alameda. She arrived from the Philippines as a 13 year old who knew nothing about the culture. Lorraine was motivated to work hard and to persevere in a variety of extracurricular activities and community service. She was accepted into a scholarship program called Summer Search which helps students in their journey to college through mentoring and summer programs. She is also a Summer Search Ambassador, a group of students that plans community services. She is also a member of the Debate Club at school, church choir and continues to work in a daycare center teaching children early literacy skills, including writing their names and learning their ABC’s.





Best Foot Forward is a workshop series designed for girls ages 6 to 12 that teaches a variety of skills including interviewing, script writing, presentation, public speaking, and etiquette.

The program culminates in the annual Women Who Dare Awards luncheon, where girls serve as co-hosts, network with guests, and present awards to the honorees.



In 2002, Girls Incorporated of the Island City won the prestigious Annie E. Casey Foundation award for Best Foot Forward in the “Outstanding Program in Self-Reliance and Life Skills” category.

“Best Foot Forward is great because we interview the women and they inspire me with all the things they’ve done”

- Lilly Tu, age 8

