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Humanitarian Advocate

Successful actress leveraging high-profile career for humanitarian organisations to advance charitable missions

Inspirational and dedicated professional with a proven commitment to improving access to clean water, healthcare, community services and economic resources. Passionate in advancing the mission of organisations that promote gender equality and increase resources for disadvantaged populations. Proactive in promoting education on racial and gender parity across the globe.

Highlights of Expertise

- High-impact Speeches & Presentations
- Fundraising & Awareness Initiatives
- Healthcare & Water Access Improvements
- Organisational Mission Initiatives
- Non-profit Agency Relationship Cultivation
- Diversity & Equality Education Initiatives
- Community Partnership Development
- Global Campaign Promotions
- Gender Parity Programme Leadership
- Network Building & Leadership

Humanitarian / Volunteer Experience

GLOBAL AMBASSADOR (2016 to Present) ▪ World Vision Canada, Clean Water Campaign

Represent non-profit, humanitarian organisation in efforts to increase global access to clean water for all people.

Served as a community-facing representative to build global organisational recognition, increase fundraising resources, promote education and generate campaign to build organisation's recognition as a worthy cause in advancing community health and clean water across the globe.

- Contributed to international recognition of organisation and increased promotion of mission by traveling to Rwanda in 2016 and engaging in media campaign to educate the public.
- Raised awareness of women's issues through traveling to India as an organisational representative and leveraging role as an actress to boost image of organisation in the global media.

WOMEN'S ADVOCATE / CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEER (2015) ▪ United Nations

Assumed role as a key speaker at the United Nations Women's Conference in 2015 for the UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women.

Crafted and presented a noteworthy speech during an internationally recognised conference on the role of women and children in global politics, social change and community engagement.

- Delivered widely recognised speech; quoted for prompting thoughtful dialogue among youth across the globe on the image of women in the media.
- During speech, recalled role (as a youth) in enacting social change in media representation of women by writing letters that inspired nationally recognised transformation in a soap company's marketing slogan from sexist to non-gender specific phrasing.

COUNSELLOR (2014 and 2016) ▪ One Young World

Selected as a representative for this international charity and global forum promoting solutions to global issues.

Developed and delivered a high-impact speech at the 2014 Annual Summit, Dublin, in support of advancing mission and vision of global forum increasing involvement of young leaders from across the world.

- Presented on topics of gender equality and modern-day slavery to increase awareness and promote parity among communities and individuals.

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Additionally, spoke at Reebok, HonorYourDays (2017) and fundraised for BGC's Annual Charity Day.

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Career Experience

LIFESTYLE BLOGGER (2014 to 2017) ▪ The Tig

Launched innovative blog to educate young women and girls in cultivating personal and social empowerment.

Completed rigorous research on current issues including social, political, global and community concerns relevant to contemporary girls and young women. Investigated relevant topics to write and edit high-impact blog content. Sourced, secured and completed interviews with top media, educational, political and social figures to create engaging content that increased blog readership to elevate consciousness of audience.

- Launched feature, Tig Talk, profiling successful women: Jessica Alba, Gail Simmons, Ella Woodward, Daphne Oz, Elizabeth Hurley, Lauren Bush, Ivanka Trump, Dianna Agron and Jessica Stam.
- Cultivated supportive sponsorships to generate lucrative and lasting blog revenue while promoting social engagement through dynamic features on noteworthy women.

ACTRESS (2002 to 2017) ▪ Numerous Productions

Earned notable recognition for performances in numerous productions including television series and movies.

Interpreted and portrayed fictional characters' personality, nature and motivations including political, social, professional and personal intentions. Interpreted script writers' image, mission and message to deliver engaging performances that generated and increased audience interest. *Acting credits include...*

- Suits (2011-2017): Portrayed driven attorney, Rachel Zane, on top-performing legal drama produced by USA Network and filmed in Toronto, Ontario.
- Film Credits (2009-2016): Dater's Handbook, Anti-Social, When Sparks Fly, Horrible Bosses, Get Him to the Greek, Remember Me and Fringe.
- Additional TV Credits (2002-2011): Cuts, Love, Inc., The War at Home, CSI: NY, 90210, Knight Rider, Without a Trace, The League, Castle, General Hospital and the DirecTV Beach Bowl in New York.
- USO / United Service Organisations (2014): Travelled with the USO Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Holiday Tour to Afghanistan and Spain.

FASHION DESIGNER (2016) ▪ Reitman's

Designed line of women's fashion workwear released by major Canadian retailer in November 2016.

Leveraged strong knowledge of professional women's needs and desires in envisioning, designing and leading production of a sophisticated, trend-setting line of clothing for women in the workplace.

Additional Experience

Essayist ▪ Elle, UK

Freelance Calligrapher ▪ Clients: Robin Thicke & Paula Patton and Dolce & Gabbana

Intern ▪ United States Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Education

Bachelor of Arts (Double Major), Theatre & International Studies, 2003

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

Hobbies & Interests

Yoga, Calligraphy, Cuisine