

COLUMBUS, OHIO

**10th Annual Personal and
Professional Development
Retreat for Women of Color**

Connections, Community & Career 2015



2015 PROFESSIONAL
WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Ronette "Roni" Burkes

Warden, Ohio Reformatory for Women at Marysville
Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction



Monday, May 11, 2015

8:00am - 5:00pm

Creekside Conference & Event Center

101 Mill Street, Suite 300
Creekside Plaza
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

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WORKSHOP II (B)

Maximizing Your Stride In Business!

Professional women discuss proven strategies to attain high performance, maximizing business goals and achievements. These executive women also examine the importance of a well-rounded and balanced professional presentation, both internally and externally, to support the development of the total package.



Panelist:
Eugenia Sanford
Owner Designer
Modest Bravura



Panelist:
Majorie McDaniel-
Burnett
Retired Chaplin
The Ohio State University
Medical Center



Moderator:
Betty Collins
CPA Brady Ware
Chair, Gahanna Area
Chamber of Commerce



Panelist:
Barb Girson
CEO & President
My Sales Tactics

10:45 am – 12:00 pm

“HER STORY” AWARDS LUNCHEON

2015 Professional Woman of the Year Ronette (Roni) Burkes Warden, Ohio Reformatory for Women at Marysville

Burkes shares her personal story of the journey of perseverance and the path she has blazed along the way.



Honoree:
Ronette (Roni) Burkes
Warden
ORW Marysville



**Mistress of
Ceremonies:**
Kecia Mathys
Talk Show Host
Hola! Columbus
CW



Invocation:
Valeria Terry
National Chaplin

12:15 pm – 1:45 pm

WORKSHOP IV

WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM “Warriors of Wellness”

Plenary Session:

A candid discussion with experts on women's physical, sexual and mental health.



Panelist:
Dr. Shari Hicks-
Graham, M.D.
Dermatologist



Panelist:
Dr. Gina Nichols, M.D.
Family Practitioner



Moderator:
Gloria Redding
President and CEO
Glo: Generating
Learning Opportunities



Panelist:
Jacquelyn Mesheleiah
Ph.D., Associate
Professor, OSU College
of Social Work

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

WORKSHOP V

EXECUTIVE WOMEN'S PANEL “Entrepreneurs Who Turned Their Passion Into Profit!”

Executive women share their journey on how they turned their passion into profit and the tools and resources on how you can accomplish similar goals.



Panelist:
Natasha Pongonis
Co-Founder
OYE Business
Intelligence LLC



Panelist:
Rita Fuller
Aubri's House of Clean



Moderator:
Diane Wingerter
Author
The Tradeshow Doctor



Panelist:
Kelli Bolton
Owner & Author
Bolton Press, LLC
Church Gossip Movie

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

DESSERT RECEPTION

4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

CONFERENCE END

5:00 pm