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World-Class Lineup for All-Virtual Massachusetts Conference for Women as Nation Confronts Widespread Tragedy and Unrest

Early-bird tickets go on sale June 24th for Conference on Dec. 10th

BOSTON –As the nation confronts the twin crises of systemic racial injustice and a global pandemic that is disproportionately impacting communities of color, some of the nation’s leading voices on inclusion and equality will come together December 10th for an all-virtual [Massachusetts Conference for Women](#).

Keynote speakers for the daylong online event include: [Awkwafina](#), Golden Globe winning actress, and [Doris Kearns Goodwin](#), presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize winning author. Speakers also include: [Rachel Cargle](#), an activist, academic, and prominent voice on race and feminism; and [Stephanie Land](#), an economic justice advocate and author of the best-selling book *Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother’s Will to Survive*; and [Laura Huang](#), a Harvard Business School professor and expert on relationships and implicit bias in entrepreneurship and in the workplace.

Early-bird tickets go on sale at 9 a.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 24, at www.MAConferenceForWomen.org.

The highly interactive Conference will seek to help women forge paths forward during these times of tumult and change. Diversity and inclusion will take center stage, with speakers and resources addressing the crises that are taking a steep toll on women and communities and color.

“Now is a defining moment in our history, and we need visionary wisdom from leading voices,” said Gloria Larson, Massachusetts Conference for Women Board President. “Our hope is that this diverse and dynamic lineup of speakers, along with all of the Conference’s offerings, will inspire and motivate women to become the leaders we need to help our nation improve and heal at this difficult time.”

The Conference, which last year attracted more than 20,000 people, will be held online to balance health considerations with the need to come together.

In addition to a powerful lineup of speakers, the Conference also will give attendees opportunities to engage with speakers and each other; support women-owned businesses and women in business through an online marketplace; and participate in a career pavilion and job fair.

“The importance of the Massachusetts Conference for Women is more profound than ever. As we grapple as a country and a global community with both a health pandemic and issues of race and equality; having a forum where minority and women voices are heard, amplified, and prioritized is just one of the reasons why State Street continues to support this conference,” said Kathy Horgan, Executive Vice President & Chief Human Resources & Citizenship Officer, State Street Corporation.

The Massachusetts Conference for Women is presented by [State Street Corporation](#) and generously sponsored by [Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany](#); [Target](#); [Cisco](#); [Boston Scientific Corporation](#); [Bristol-Myers Squibb](#); [Fidelity Investments](#); [Hologic, Inc.](#); [Johnson & Johnson](#); [Liberty Mutual Insurance](#); [Raytheon Technologies](#); [Sanofi Genzyme](#); [Takeda Pharmaceutical Company](#); [Teradyne](#); [The TJX Companies, Inc.](#); [Akamai Technologies](#); [Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts](#); [Converse](#); [Kronos](#); [Merck & Co.](#); [New Balance](#); [P&G Gillette](#); [Pegasystems](#); [Thermo Fisher Scientific](#); [Vertex](#); [Aternity](#); [Biogen](#); [Bose Corporation](#); [Commonwealth Financial Network](#); [GlaxoSmithKline](#); [Juniper Networks](#); [National Grid](#); [PTC](#); and [Weber Shandwick](#).

The Conference also will showcase the work of Massachusetts women who are helping other women now as part of its [Storytellers Contest](#), presented by Target and the Conferences for Women.

The Massachusetts Conference for Women is part of the [Conferences for Women](#), the largest network of women’s conferences in the United States. Its annual conferences in Texas, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and California attract more than 50,000 people a year to advance equality for women in the workplace and beyond. Thousands more tune in via Livestream. Each year, the conferences and related events attract from some of the world’s most trailblazing women: from Nobel Laureates, Pulitzer Prize and Academy Award-winners to international sports stars and CEOs. The network provides year-round support to its longstanding community of professionals through articles featuring insights from leading speakers; a podcast, Women Amplified; and social offerings.

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