

College, university and alumni leaders understand the bottom line of business and career success:

It's all about networking.

Vickie Austin is a woman on a mission with a message to share with college, university and alumni leaders and the students they serve about the power of networking. Her years in corporate marketing, business and career coaching have taught her one thing: When it comes to success, networking is *everything*. Vickie provides quality, content-rich presentations that inspire, motivate *and* empower. She designs and delivers customized, high-energy presentations that help people reach their goals. As a keynote speaker, a facilitator or leader of a break-out session, Vickie can ignite your next conference, retreat or alumni meeting. Whether you're staff or faculty looking for someone to motivate your colleagues or students, or an alumni relations leader eager to inspire members of your alumni association chapter, Vickie will work with you to develop a program that speaks to the heart of business and career success.



Her most-requested topic:

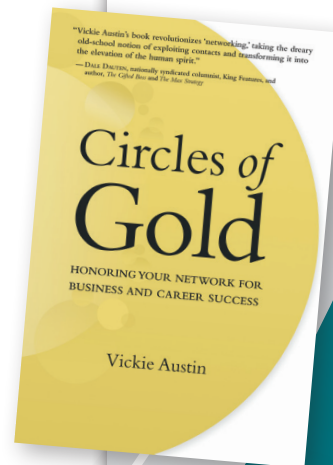
“Circles of Gold®: Networking For Business and Career Success”

For many people, the word “networking” conjures up images of forced conversations, dreary conferences or cold calls. So we avoid it—to our peril. But networking is one of the most critical skills we must develop, especially for students, new graduates and anyone seeking to be successful in their careers. This presentation provides practical ideas to leverage relationships while honoring the people we already know. Using stories and excerpts from her book *Circles of Gold: Honoring Your Network for Business and Career Success*, Vickie provides simple, actionable strategies for networking in a way that can be easy, fun and highly effective.

Bonus opportunity: Receive reduced group pricing for Vickie's book, *Circles of Gold: Honoring Your Network for Business & Career Success!*

Other topics for college, university and alumni meeting planners interested in bringing inspiration, motivation and professional development to their audiences:

- “Your Career Audit: How to Get From Where You Are to Where You Want to Be”
- “The Brand Called YOU! How to Build a Powerful Personal Brand”
- “Just Enough Hours in the Day: Time Management with a Twist”



About Vickie:

Vickie Austin has been helping people through career transitions since 1997 when she founded CHOICES Worldwide. She worked in marketing communications for American Medical International (AMI), Humana, Edelman, *Modern Healthcare* magazine (Crain Communications Inc) and Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital as vice president of marketing before launching her coaching and consulting practice full-time. Devoted to making a difference in the workplace, Vickie speaks, coaches, consults and writes about business and career success. Her mission: To create a world where people love what they do and do what they love.

Vickie is a member of the National Speakers Association (NSA) and the 2016-2017 president of the NSA-Illinois chapter. She is also a coach, consultant and trainer for The Rainmaker Companies, a Nashville-based company that helps accounting firms grow.

A *magna cum laude* graduate of Arizona State University, Vickie attended Thunderbird School of Global Management in Glendale, AZ, where she earned an executive master's degree in international management (EMIM). She and her husband Bill, an artist, play music, enjoy art and love to travel. They live in the Chicago suburbs with their dog Peanut Butter and are the proud parents of two grown children, Kitty and Will.

Vickie has served as a speaker or adjunct faculty* for:

Alphi Chi Honor Society
Arizona State University (W.P. Carey School of Business, Service Learning)
Benedictine University
Brigham Young University
College of DuPage
Kellogg Alumni Club of Chicago Western Suburbs
Lewis University*
Roosevelt University*
Rush University Medical Center
Thunderbird School of Global Management (Arizona campus, Chicago alumni chapter)
University of Chicago Women in Business
University of Michigan alumni
Wheaton College



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