Women who mean business 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 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 women reach their goals. As a keynote speaker, a facilitator or leader of a break-out session, Vickie can ignite your next conference, convention, leadership retreat or chapter meeting. Whether you're an association leader looking for someone to motivate the women within your chapter or an executive eager to inspire your women's affinity group, Vickie works with you to develop a program that speaks to the heart of business and career success.



Her most-requested topic:

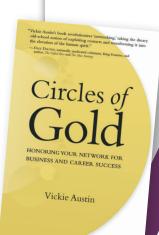
"Circles of Gold®: Networking For Business and Career Success"

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 women seeking to move up 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, highly effective and totally authentic for women in business.

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

Other topics for meeting planners interested in bringing inspiration, motivation and professional development to their women-in-business audiences:

- "Mentors vs. Sponsors: Why Women Need Both"
- "Stand Up, Speak Out: Communicating with Confidence"
- "EveryDay Diva: Having it All Without Losing Ourselves"
- "The Brand Called YOU! How to Build a Powerful Personal Brand"





About Vickie:

Vickie Austin has been helping women 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.

In addition to speaking to people at companies and associations around the country, Vickie has had the honor of speaking to these women-in-business affinity groups:

American Association of University Women (AAUW)

Association of Girl Scout Executives, Midwest Regional Councils

Batavia Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Carol Stream Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Chicago Women in Publishing

Empowering Women Network (EWN)

Energetic Women (women in energy engineering and operations)

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Women's Impact Network

Gary United Methodist Women's Retreat

Geneva Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Greater Aurora Chamber of Commerce Women's Business Roundtable

Illinois CPA Society

Women's Task Force Initiative

Inspire: Women of NICOR

Kaneland County WINS

Naperville Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Network for Women Entrepreneurs (Chicago)

Rockford Network of Professional Women

Schaumburg Business Association (SBA)
Women in Business

St. Charles Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Texas Women's Council of Realtors®

The Private Bank (women executives)

University of Chicago Women in Business

Velocity, the Valley Industrial Association (women in manufacturing)

Wheaton Chamber of Commerce Women in Business

Women in Cable Television

Women Emerging in Business

Women in Environmental Management

Women Healthcare Executives (Atlanta Chapter)

Women's Council of Realtors® (National)



If you're responsible for the professional development of people within your company, organization, association or affinity group, contact Vickie at 312-213-1795, or at vaustin@choicesworldwide.com.



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