



PRESENTED BY: **JPMorganChase**

**Wednesday-Friday, March 5-7, 2025**

**AC Hotel Downtown Bozeman  
The Element, & Kimpton Armory Hotel**

**WEDNESDAY, March 5, 2025**

**2024 MT WIB SUMMIT WELCOME RECEPTION**

**AC HOTEL BENCHMARK RESTAURANT & BAR (rooftop)**

**4:00 – 6:00 PM** Registration Open at the AC Hotel Benchmark lobby

**5:30 – 7:30 PM** **2025 MT WIB SUMMIT WELCOME RECEPTION** Sponsored by  
**Mountain Health CO-OP**

**THURSDAY, March 6, 2025**

**2025 MT WIB SUMMIT**

**7:30 – 9:00 AM** **Registration Open** at the Kimpton Armory Hotel; breakfast on  
your own

**8:00 AM** **Saddle Club VIP Area Opens**

**8:30 AM** **Kimpton Armory Opens**

**OPENING SESSION KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

**9:00 – 9:10 AM** **Welcome from Montana Chamber w/Sponsor Recognition**

**9:10 – 9:40 AM** **Fireside Chat with First Lady Susan Gianforte** by Nancy Schlepp, VP,  
Communications & Government Relations, Sandfire Resources  
America; Montana Chamber Board Chair

**9:45 – 10:15 AM** **Opening Keynote: Laura Higgins, Head of Diverse Businesses –**  
**JPMorgan Chase Pacific;** Introduction by Margaret Madrigal,  
Executive Director, Commercial Banking MT/WY - JPMorgan Chase

**10:15 AM – 1:15 PM**      **Native Women Launch Artwalk sponsored by  
Yellowstone Club Community Foundation  
KIMPTON ARMORY MEZZANINE outside The Etha**

**10:30 – 11:15 AM MORNING BREAKOUTS – Session I @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS**

- ***"Beyond Strategy: Why Corporate Culture is the Real Breakfast of Champions"***

**AC HOTEL BRIDGER BALLROOM**

- Michelle Huie, Founder - ShopDot and Vim&Vigr
- Stephanie Pimmel, SVP & Chief People Officer - PacificSource
- Stacy Maloney, Founder & CEO - Elevate11 Consulting
- *Moderator: Dr. Suzanne Tilleman, Dean – University of Montana College of Business*

- ***"The Impact of Millennials on the Workplace"***

**TRUE NORTH @ KIMPTON**

- Catherine Bernhardt, General Manager Western Montana – Republic Services
- Secretary Christi Jacobsen, Montana Secretary of State
- Kallie Kujawa, MSN, RN, Chief Operating Officer – Bozeman Health
- *Moderator: Brianne Rogers, Owner - Bird Dog Strategies*

- ***"The Future of Work: Unleashing Women's Potential with AI"***

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- Lisa DeLuca, Senior Director Product & Engineers - Unstoppable Domains (formerly AI at IBM, Wayfair)
- Heidi Johnson, President – OpenBB
- Kirsten Schaub, Chief Revenue Officer for AI healthcare startups including mpathic
- *Moderator: Lumay Murphy, VP of Finance - mpathic*

**11:30 AM – 12:15 PM**      **MORNING BREAKOUTS – Session II**

- ***"Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Women Succeeding in Male-Dominated Industries"***

**AC HOTEL BRIDGER BALLROOM**

- Jaclyn Marin Liebscher, Project Manager for One&Only – Golden Eagle
- Heather McDowell, VP Legal and External Affairs, Americas – Sibanye-Stillwater
- Kalli Ryti, President – First Security Bank, Bozeman

- *Moderator: Suzi Berget White, AVP/Commercial Lender – First Security Bank, Bozeman*

• ***"Innovative Paths to Impact: Funding Models for Social Good"***

**TRUE NORTH @ KIMPTON ARMORY**

- Dr. Chelsea Bodnar, Founder & CEO – Montana Pediatrics
- Lyndsay Gutierrez, Cooperative Specialist – Montana Women's Finance Cooperative - Montana Cooperative Development Center (MCDC)
- Kelly Schwager, VP Global Communications – Oracle
- Christine Tennyson, VP of Business Development – Meaningful Ventures 2.0
- *Moderator: Candace Carr Strauss, VP Marketing & Communications – Montana Chamber of Commerce*

• ***"Breaking Barriers: Photonics & Quantum from a Female Perspective"***

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- Dana Cuccia, CEO – HealthGuard Systems
- Mary Johnson, CEO – Wavelength Electronics
- Sarah Lukes, CEO – Agile Focus Designs
- Lisa Wood, CEO – Analog Physics
- *Moderator: Elle Gahl, Shadow Ridge Analytics (photonics); Board Member Montana Photonics & Quantum Alliance*

**12:15 – 1:30 PM BUFFET LUNCH @ KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

- **LUNCHEON KEYNOTE – "TBD" Sponsored by Clearwater Credit Union with Introduction by Erin White, Market Leader, Clearwater Credit Union**

**KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

**1:45 - 2:30 PM AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS – Session I @ VARIOUS LOCATIONS**

- ***"Women Entrepreneurs Rising: Securing Capital and Building Success in Montana"***

**AC HOTEL BRIDGER BALLROOM**

- Tana Burke, Founder – Sky Cycle
- Avery Patrick, VP & Marketing Director – Showdown Montana
- Paige Williams, Founder – Aud Pop
- *Moderator: Margaret Madrigal, Executive Director Commercial Banking MT/WY - JPMorgan Chase*

- ***"Artists & Visionaries: Native Women Leading through Creativity & Entrepreneurship"***

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- Brocade Stops Black Eagle (Crow-Mandan Hidatsa) – Brocade Designs
- Cheylsa “Chief” Owens-Cyr (Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux, Pasqua First Nations Plains Cree and Saulteaux) – Chief’n Wear
- TaNeel Filesteel Neuman (Aaniiih, Nakoda, Apsaalooke) – Moss Bag Baby
- *Moderators: Latisha Buck Elk Thunder, Executive Director – Native Women Launch Program and Ticia Cliff, Workforce Development Specialist, Accelerate MT*

**2:45 - 3:30 PM**

**AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS – Session II**

- ***"Boardroom Excellence: How Good Governance Fuels Growth"***

**AC HOTEL BRIDGER BALLROOM**

- Sarah Blechta, VP, Yellowstone Club Property Owners’ Association | Chair, Big Sky Resort Area District Board
- Melissa Matassa-Stone, CEO – WGM Group
- **TBD**
- *Moderator: Melanie Schwarz, CEO – UpStream Strategy Partners*

- ***"Health at Every Stage: Supporting Women’s Choices & Challenges"***

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- Dr. Heidi Duncan, FAAFP, MD - Billings Clinic
- Stephanie McDowell, Executive Director - BridgerCare
- Carrie Krepps, Executive Director – Florence Crittenton
- *Moderator: Colee Wingo, Senior Community Advisor - Billings Clinic Bozeman*

**3:45 – 4:15 PM - CLOSING KEYNOTE - “Authentic Leadership in the Face of Adversity” - Kim Greene, Founder – Svalinn**

**KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

**4:30 – 6:00 PM – MT WIB SUMMIT NETWORKING RECEPTION @**

**KIMPTON SKY SHED (rooftop) sponsored by Rocky Mountain Women’s Business Center**

**6:00 PM – Dinner on your own**

**FRIDAY, March 7, 2025**

**7:15 – 8:05 AM**     ***"Rise & Thrive: Energize Your Morning with Pilates Plus"*** with Sam Schmidt, PT/Certified Master Pilates Instructor, Alpine Physical Therapy Missoula

**THE ELEMENT HOTEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

**8:00 – 9:45 AM    BUFFET BREAKFAST & NETWORKING @ AC HOTEL BRIDGER BALLROOM**

**10:00 – 11:30 AM MORNING WORKSHOPS**

***“Story Sharing to Engage & Connect”***

**THE ELEMENT HOTEL CONFERENCE ROOM**

Sarah Elkins, Elkins Consulting, Author/Podcast Host

***“Quiet Leadership - You can change your world with a whisper”***

***This high-energy session will help you figure out how - Both introverts & extroverts welcome!***

**KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

Karen Grosz, President – Canvas Creek Team

***“Better Together: Creating Win-Win Business Partnerships & Collaborations”***

**AC BRIDGER BALL ROOM**

Kassi Strong, Program Director – Rocky Mountain Women’s Business Center

**KIMPTON ARMORY MUSIC HALL**

**11:30 AM–12:00 PM    International Women’s Day POWER LUNCH Begins; Networking**

**12:00 – 12:15 PM Introductions & Welcome**

**12:15 – 12:30 PM An Update from the 2025 Legislative Session on Childcare in Montana**

**12:30 – 1:45 PM    *INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY LUNCHEON KEYNOTE with Consul Generals – A celebration of IWD under the theme, “For ALL women and girls: Rights. Equality. Empowerment.” This year’s theme calls for action that can unlock equal rights, power and opportunities for all and a future where no one is left behind.***

- Sophie Hattat - Consul General of Belgium
- Gry Rabe Henriksen - Consul General of Norway
- Paulina Kapuścińska – Consul General of the Republic of Poland
- Renee Pea - Consul General of Croatia
- Tammy Sandhu - Consul General of the United Kingdom
- Lucia Sava - Consul General of Romania
- *Moderator: Lt. Governor, Kristen Juras*

**1:45 – 2:00 PM      Winners Announced: Raffle Prizes & Centerpiece giveaways**

**2:00 PM              Lunch Concludes**