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DRURY PLAZA HOTEL IN SANTA FE HOSTS FIRST EVENT

Women's International Study Center's Risk & Reinvention: How Women Are Changing the World

Santa Fe, N.M.— The Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe will host one of the first official events at the property, the Women's International Study Center's symposium *Risk & Reinvention: How Women Are Changing the World*, August 15 and 16. The property officially opens August 4. More than 30 experts in scholarship, science, art, law, cultural preservation, business and workforce analysis will engage in panel discussions to share their expertise, perspectives and experiences. The symposium seeks to inspire participants to create a future that realizes the full potential of women and honors their contributions to the world. More than 300 women and men will gather at the Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe to explore women's accomplishments, challenges and opportunities across numerous disciplines, ethnicities and generations.



Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. © Steve Petteway, Collection of the Supreme Court of the U.S.

Speakers and panelists include Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg; Catherine Allen, financial services and technology expert, and Chairman and CEO of The Santa Fe Group; Luis Bettencourt, Santa Fe

Institute professor and former Senior Research Scientist at Los Alamos National Laboratory; Letitia Chambers, Former CEO of a public policy consulting firm, US Ambassador to the United Nations General Assembly, and former CEO of the Heard Museum; Aline Coudouel, lead economist with the World Bank; Linda Durham, artist and founder of Linda Durham Contemporary Art and The Wonder Institute; Jennifer Raymond, Associate Professor of Neurobiology at Stanford University researching neural mechanisms of learning and memory; Ramona Sakiestewa, Contemporary artist and former Chair of the New Mexico State Arts Commission and many more.

"We are honored to be hosting this symposium," says Tauseen Malik, General Manager, Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe. "The prominent speakers and panelists who are scheduled to participate at this event set the stage for us in terms of the types of conventions, meetings and events that we are equipped to handle with our award-winning service and state-of-the-art facilities."

"When Revell Carr and Karen Dugas from the Women's International Study Center approached us about the symposium, we felt that sponsoring the event was a good fit for us on many levels," says Jenny Cintron, Area Sales Manager, Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe. "The Women's International Study Center focuses on women in the arts, science, cultural preservation and business. Our site has played a key role in Santa Fe's history for four centuries. Just as Archbishop Lamy, the Sisters of Charity, John Gaw Meem, St. Vincent's Hospital and the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs have been integral parts of Santa Fe's history, so too were the women who owned the Santa Fe home that now houses the Women's International Study Center, and who serve as inspiration for the organization." The food at the symposium will be provided by award-winning chef John Rivera Sedlar, the restaurateur of ELOISA, the hotel's new restaurant. ELOISA will open this fall on the main floor of the hotel.

Agenda and Speakers

http://wisc-amh.org/symposia/view/2-risk-reinvention-how-women-are-changing-the-world

Registration

Fee: \$150: Individuals ages 30 and up. Young Adults: \$100, Individuals ages 29. WISC has established a special outreach program to support young adult participants and recommends several ways to get involved. Sponsorships are available for young adults (ages 18-29)

Lodging

A special group rate is available when reserved by July 14, 2014. Rooms will be provided on a space-available basis at non-group rates after that day. The Drury Plaza Hotel also has parking available for guests and non-guests at competitive rates. Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe, 228 East Palace Ave., Santa Fe, NM.

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Jenny Cintron, Area Sales Manager is in charge of group business. She is booking now, and can be reached at <u>Jenny.Cintron@druryhotels.com</u>.

The 182-room Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe features all of the renowned amenities of Drury Hotels, as well as modern, spacious, light-filled rooms with stupendous views of the Santa Fe skies. Guests will enjoy relaxing at the rooftop bar by the pool with breathtaking views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains; and shopping in the galleries around the property. The fully renovated buildings are steeped in history and surrounded by beautiful gardens and walkways. Drury Hotels is a St. Louis-based, family-owned and operated hotel system with more than 130 hotels in 20 states.

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