



Athena's *Signature Series*

Athena members and stakeholders expect to raise the bar every time they attend Athena's *Signature Series* programs. This thought-provoking program series motivates and educates leaders across STEM industries and career levels by showcasing big ideas and challenging assumptions around women's advancement in the workplace. The series features business leaders, entrepreneurs, elected officials and proponents of women's progress to examine mind sets, behavioral shifts and unconscious bias implicit in workplace decisions and cultures.

Signature Series Committee Leadership & January Line Up



Grace Chui-Miller
CFO, Correlation Ventures



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Athena's *Signature Series* is designed and driven by the *Signature Series* committee and its co-chairs: Grace Chui-Miller, CFO at Correlation Ventures and Kimberly Kasitz, Communications Manager at General Atomics Aeronautical Systems. On January 30, 5:30pm-8:00pm, participants will join a topical discussion that's dominating the headlines, boardrooms and kitchen tables alike: #MeToo campaign.

The ongoing revelations of workplace harassment that continue to dominate the news and central to the #MeToo campaign will be front and center before this co-ed panel as they explore the power dynamics in the workplace and examine the professional conduct changes over the years. Research findings show that companies and organizations are significantly more profitable when women are leading decision-making, however, some men are hesitant to work with women due to potential backlash for championing women. Against this rising tide and in keeping with Athena's mission to provide support and resources to professional women, this series will offer tips and insights on actions that can help advance your career while treating people with integrity and respect in the workplace. For more information and to register, visit our [Upcoming Events page](#). Members and non-members are invited to register.

You're invited to [join Athena](#). What are you waiting for?

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Upcoming Events 2018

Pinnacle Awards Nominations Are Open

Athena is now [accepting nominations](#) for the 2018 Pinnacle Awards. All forms are to be filled out online, via the [Nominate a Leader 2018 page](#).

[Partner Event: Wealth Steps®](#)

Time is running out! Join Athena and WestPac for our financial wellness program as a way to jumpstart your financial plan for the year! In four easy steps, Wealth Steps can teach you how to approach your todays - and your tomorrows - with security and confidence. Light appetizers will be included!

When: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Where: WestPac UTC, 4275 Executive Square Dr., La Jolla, CA 92037

Cost: \$25 for members and non-members

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Wisdom Ignited Workshop: Break the Fundraising Glass Ceiling, with Denise Bevers



Last year, female entrepreneurs only raised \$1.5B versus \$58.2B by male entrepreneurs (according to Pitchbook). Now granted, there are more men out there trying to raise money than women, but that is an enormous discrepancy.

One local San Diego woman who has broken the fundraising glass ceiling is Denise Bevers, Co-Founder and COO of KindredBio. Alongside KindredBio's CEO, Denise has raised \$60 million in IPO (NASDAQ: KIN) in 2013 and \$62 million in a secondary offering in 2014 to bring the very best science and medicine in animal companions. At this dynamic workshop, Denise will be sharing key learnings from her fundraising experience on Wall Street.

When: Thursday, January 25, 2018, from 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Where: PricewaterhouseCoopers, 5375 Mira Sorrento Pl #300, San Diego, CA 92121

Cost: Members only, \$40

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Signature Series | #MeToo Forum

The impact of the online #MeToo campaign and the ongoing revelations of harassment continue to be felt across the workplace. Against this backdrop and as part of Athena's commitment to providing support and resources to women, a panel will discuss the power dynamics of the workplace and how professional conduct has changed over the years.

When: Tuesday, January 30, 2018, from 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Where: La Jolla Square Event Space (Sunrise Room) | 4225 Executive Dr, La Jolla

Cost: \$40 members; \$50 non-members

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Athena's TSIG and WITI San Diego present: How To Be Successful in a Technology Company

Athena's Technology Special Interest Group (TSIG) and Women in Technology International (WITI) invite you to hear the experiences of 3 women who work in various roles at technology firms and learn how they were able to succeed in the tech sector. Leverage their experiences to advance your own career at a tech company, or perhaps position yourself to land a job at one.

When: Thursday, February 8, 2018

Where: La Jolla Square Event Space (Seaside Room) | 4225 Executive Dr, La Jolla

Cost: Athena and WITI members \$30; non-members \$40

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