

League of Railway Industry Women Program Schedule & Agenda



Held in Conjunction with
RAILWAY INTERCHANGE 2017
September 17-20 | Indianapolis, Indiana
Indianapolis Convention Center



Sunday, September 17

Railway Interchange General Schedule

- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Event Registration
- 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Exhibit Hall Open
- 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM Exhibit Hall Reception

Monday, September 18

- 6:45 AM - 6:00 PM Event Registration
- 7:30 AM –8:50 AM General Session & Keynote Address ([Link](#))
- 8:50 AM - 9:20 AM Coffee Break
- 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM Exhibit Hall Open
- 11:30 AM-1:30 PM Exhibit Hall Lunch
- 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM Exhibit Hall Reception

LRIW Conference Schedule

- 7:30 AM** **Railway Interchange General Session & Keynote Address ([Link](#))**
LRIW Outstanding Woman of the Year presentation
- 9:00 AM** **LRIW Annual Conference Welcome Reception**
Coffee, tea, and light refreshments served
- 9:30 AM** **How to Break Barriers and Excel in the Rail Industry**
*Speaker: **Susanne M. ManaiGRE**, Vice President – Canada, Network Rail Consulting*
- 10:30 AM** **Break**
- 10:45 AM** **Regulatory Affairs, A Critical Component in Railroad Business**
***Tanis Peterson**, Director, Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Railway Association of Canada*



Susanne M. ManaiGRE

Regulatory affairs is an essential component for a successful business structure and strategy. Due to constantly increasing regulatory obligations, new and changing requirements, as well as the globalization of transportation, the demands and responsibilities of regulatory roles are becoming more and more complex. Tanis will briefly discuss the important role regulatory affairs plays in our industry as well as highlighting the core qualities the regulatory professionals require to excel.



Tanis Peterson

Changing Regulations Affecting the Rail Industry

Speakers: **Nicole Brewin**, VP of Government Affairs, Railway Supply Institute

Get the scoop on Federal legislation and regulations affecting our important job producing industry that is critical to our infrastructure. What policies are helping our industry succeed and which one are hindering our growth? Find out what you can do to help tell the story of rail and how it has improved your community to your elected officials.



Nicole Brewin

12:00 PM Exhibit Hall Lunch

1:00 PM Women in Rail, Using Tools and Influence to Succeed

Speaker: **Coree Cuff Lonergan**, Associate Director, Infrastructure Maintenance, Network Rail Consulting.

As we have recently learned from such movies as “Hidden Figures”, when given the opportunity, women have played pivotal roles in advancing science and technology in North America. Although not equally represented in STEM fields, women have a unique perspective and can bring forth commanding arguments and insights often overlooked by their male counterparts or homogenous groups. This session will explore what tools women can use to have their opinions, ideas, and contributions heard and acted upon, when they are outnumbered and perhaps undervalued. It will explore strategies on how to turn the most resistant to your ideas, into an ally and even into a champion. The session will also examine how to leverage personal tugs, such as family responsibilities, often seen as career impediments, into career advantages. Lastly, the session will review success stories of women, who have successfully managed their careers, using these very strategies over a variety of industries.



Coree Cuff Lonergan

2:00 PM Break

2:15 PM LRIW Annual Membership Meeting

Chair: **Jodi Heldt**, LRIW President

LRIW Outstanding Member of the Year Presentation

3:30 PM Women Business Owners in Rail – Panel Discussion

Panel:

- **Mary Proc**, Vice President, Customer Service Delivery, Metrolinx and 2015 Outstanding Woman of the Year
- **Carrie Budde**, Budde Enterprises
- **Sally Boven**, CEO of Reflective Apparel Factory
- TBA
- TBA

Personal and professional development round table discussions

6:15 PM LRIW/AREMA #WomenInRail Reception

Celebrating the LRIW’s 20th Anniversary – Back to the Future

Special guest Anamaria Bonilla, 2016 Outstanding Woman of the Year



Jodi Heldt



Anamaria Bonilla

Tuesday, September 19

Railway Interchange General Schedule ([Schedule link](#))

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM Exhibition / CMA Registration
8:00 AM–10:00 AM Exhibit Hall Breakfast
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Exhibition Open (Final Day)
11:30 AM–1:30 PM Exhibit Hall Lunch

LRIW Conference Schedule

8:30 AM Own Your Career – 3 Secrets to Advancement

Speaker: Shavon Lindley, Co-Founder and CEO Women Evolution

An exploration of what Shavon has learned after interviewing over 150 female executives to discover how they could get ahead while staying true to themselves. What Shavon discovered was that all these successful women shared 6 common pillars of leadership. During this interactive session, Shavon will share 3 specific strategies detrimental to their advancement.



Shavon Lindley

10:00 AM Break

10:15 AM Great Minds Think Unalike

Speaker: Shavon Lindley, Co-Founder and CEO Women Evolution

A powerful conversation designed for men and women at all levels to understand how to build a Gender Intelligent culture. It digs into the neuroscience behind how men and women are different and how this plays out in the workplace. Shavon also dives deep into the biggest blind spot that is sabotaging the success of your current initiatives and exactly what is needed to build a successful women's leadership program.

11:30 AM Exhibit Hall Lunch

1:30 PM Facility Tour

Indiana Railroads Intermodal Terminal
Details to come...

4:00 PM Adjourn Until 2018 at RSI/CMA 2018 in Nashville, TN

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