



## Women's Leadership Conference

NEWPORT BEACH, CA | SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022  
Conference 9 AM - 5 PM | Reception 5 PM - 7 PM

 SOLD OUT

**COVID-19 safety protocols:** Your health and safety are our priority. Upon check in, all guests must present proof of vaccination or proof of a negative COVID test within 24 hours of the event. Masks and sanitizer will be provided.



### SAVE THE DATE!

IAWF is excited to share that we will host our signature Women's Leadership Conference on Sunday, March 6th, 2022 at the Renaissance Newport Beach Hotel. We are ready to return with a special celebration in honor of International Women's Day, as well as our 10 year anniversary. We can't wait to have our community come together again to celebrate our sisterhood and find inspiration in each other.





## Shally Zomorodi

FOX 5 San Diego Morning News Anchor Shally Zomorodi has been waking up San Diego for more than a decade. A dedicated journalist, Zomorodi launched her news career as an assistant for KTTV FOX 11 in Los Angeles. Quickly advancing into an on-air reporting position in Beaumont, Texas, Zomorodi, with her winning smile and refined reporting skills, woke the Southwest residents of the Lone Star state to breaking local and national news.

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## OUR SPEAKERS



Honorable A. Ashley Tabaddor



Dr. Nina Ansary



Honorable Nahal Iravani-Sani



Honorable Judge Shahla S. Sabet



Halé Behzadi



Dr. Nehzat Farnoody



Mariam Khosravani



Commissioner Maggie Soleimani



Dr. Shahrzad Sherry Nooravi

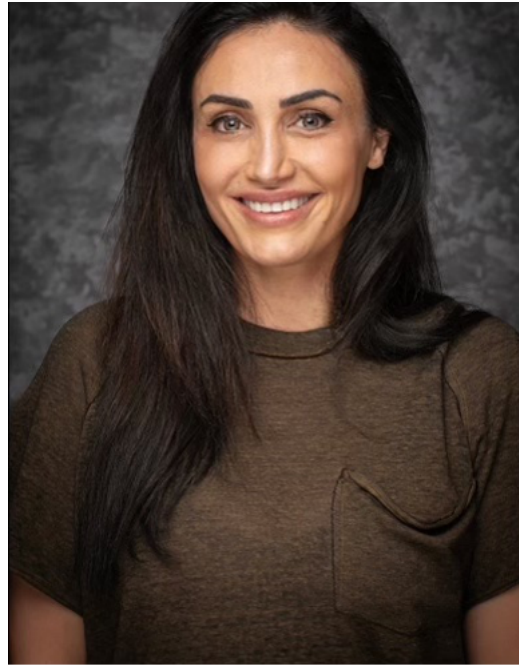




Dr. Nelly Farnoody-Zahiri



Soudabeh (Sue) Bayat



Sanaz Shahbazi



Dr. Maryam Dalili, PsyD, LMFT



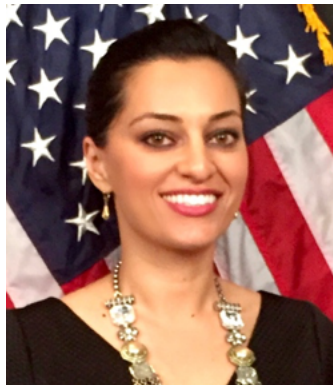
Dr. Semira Dariushnia



Dr. Foojan Zeine



## OUR MODERATORS

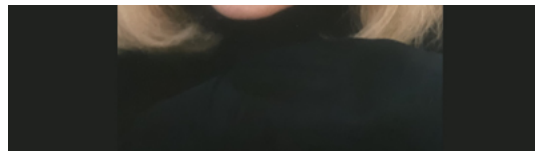




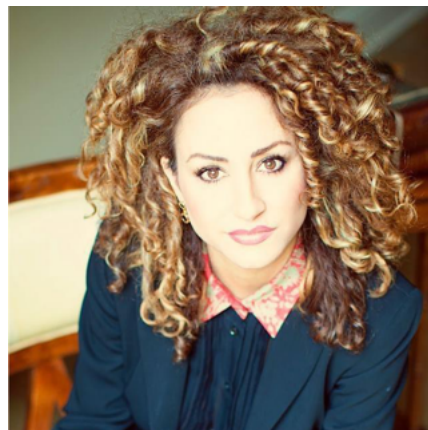
Tannaz Mazarei



Haleh Khatami



Julia Hashemieh



Raheleh Shakoori



Dr. Nehzat Farnoody



Dr. Shirin Ansari



Shirin Hedayat



## SESSIONS

**Moderator: Shally Zomorodi**  
Speaker: Dr. Nina Ansary

**ANONYMOUS IS A WOMAN**  
An Up-close & personal conversation with Dr. Nina Ansary about her latest book, "Anonymous Is a Woman", which takes readers on a 4,000-year historic journey to expose the roots and manifestations of institutionalized discrimination against women.

**Moderator: PariSima Hassani**  
Speakers: Soudabeh Bayat, Hale Behzadi, Julia Hashemieh

**REDEFINING LEADERSHIP: LIFT AS YOU CLIMB**  
From the economy to school to travel, every facet of our lives has experienced a shift in the past two years. The Great Resignation has seen many employees re-evaluate their careers and resign from their jobs, leaving a record number of open job positions in its wake. Many companies are realizing the importance of a workplace culture focused on a human-centered approach that gives the workforce a seat at the table, rather than the status quo which focuses on external stakeholders and the bottom line. These women have found success by leading through influence, while making sure to lift those around them as they climb their way to the top.

**Moderator: Dr. Parmis Khatibi**  
Speakers: Mandy Fazeli, Golshid

**THE POWER OF PERSEVERANCE**  
We have all faced a moment in our lives where difficulties seem too big to surpass. Giving up may sometimes seem like the easier path, but dedication and persistence can oftentimes result in even greater reward. Hear these exemplary women share their real-life stories of perseverance and determination to achieve their visionary goals despite all odds.

**Moderator: Tannaz Mazarei**

**PAVING THE ROAD TO JUSTICE**

Sima Hashem





### Moderator: Haleh Khatami

Speakers: Sanaz Shahbazi, Soheila Farahani, Sepideh Homami



to judges, these Iranian American women work to bring justice to all levels of our society. You will hear insights and personal stories of triumph and adversity from these inspiring women who have an impact in the judicial system while upholding the laws of the US Constitution.

### **MORE THAN A MEDAL: IRANIAN ATHLETES AND THEIR JOURNEYS TO SUCCESS AND VICTORY**

Training to be a professional athlete is an undertaking that requires extreme discipline, patience, and passion. Training to be a professional athlete as an Iranian woman adds another complex layer to an already rigorous endeavor. The women on this panel overcame a variety of obstacles to reach the world stage in their respective sports, bringing pride for themselves, their country, and the young women who look up to them. Hear their stories of disappointment, joy, and acceptance on their journey to victory.

### Moderator: Dr. Nezhat Farnoody

Speakers: Dr. Nelly Farnoody-Zahiri, Dr. Shahrzad Sherry Nooravi



### **EMBRACING YOUR IDENTITY: TO HIDE IT OR FLAUNT IT**

As hyphenated Americans living in a diverse country, we may find ourselves tampering down certain parts of our individuality to blend into our surroundings. The speakers on this panel will discuss how we can support our youth and community members as we balance our cultural identity and mental health.

### Moderator: Dr. Shirin Ansari

Speakers: Dr. Foojan Zeine, Bahar Babaghali, Raheleh Shakoori



### **INTERGENERATIONAL MENTAL WELL-BEING**

Intergenerational relationships help strengthen families and individuals, as well as the community. The most crucial time for this bond is teenage-hood and young adulthood, as the person is defining their identity while dealing with peer, family, and societal pressures. This age bracket suffers the highest levels of anxiety, depression, drug & alcohol use, and suicide attempts. A healthy family relationship is where strength, resiliency, and healing occur. In this session, you will hear from a young adult, a parent, and a psychotherapist regarding what is needed and what can be done to foster a mentally and emotionally healthy family relationship.

### Moderator: Sima Hashemifar

Speakers: Dr. Semira Dariushnia, Dr. Maryam Dalili



### **MIND, BODY AND SOUL: A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO WOMEN'S HEALTH**

Today's woman is eager to make her life healthy and productive, given the many challenges she faces every day which affect the quality and duration of her life. Whether embarking on a new career, balancing family or mid-life issues, or preparing for retirement, it's time for each woman to make her own wellness and vitality a priority! Join us for an inspiring and invigorating discussion where we focus on prevention and opportunities to improve one's mental, physical and emotional health.



we are ALL powerful beings with highly intelligent bodies. How do we connect with the healing power within?

Our Reception



**Fashion Show by Alango.com**

Networking, cocktails, and music



### Refunds

Your ticket will be fully refundable until February 20th, 2022. Any cancellation or no-show will not be refundable after February 20th.

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