

# WOMEN'S FORUM

## *Sharing Wisdom*

Dear Ladies,

Six years ago, in the month of June, our program was founded. It was a June 8th luncheon that got the whole thing started. We had our banquet tables all gussied up with spanking new tablecloths and flowers, fancy food and an inspiring TEDTALK given by extraordinary woman, Dame Stephanie Shirley, to watch and discuss. It was the start of a new chapter in my life that I didn't see coming but that has turned out to be one of my great blessings. Forever grateful to those who made it happen then and to those who help to make it happen now.

Coincidentally, this year we are once again meeting on a Thursday, June 8 and the story of another extraordinary woman will lead us as we go forward...

~ANNIE LEIBOVITZ~

Isn't it wonderful how the designation of ART is now bestowed on many more manifestations of creativity than ever before? We now celebrate culinary artists, fashion as

art, the design of interior spaces and furnishings, graffiti, technology, tattoo art, landscape, film making, comedy and on and on.

Starting in the late 19th century, photography was making its way into the imaginations of creatives who would bring it to a place of respectability as a new art form. From Alfred Stieglitz to Edward Steichen, to Henri Cartier-Bresson, to Man Ray, to Diane Arbus, to Ansel Adams, to Richard Avedon and many more, photography now hangs in museums as art, along with the classic art forms.

Our extraordinary woman, Annie Leibovitz, was born in 1949. Her plans to become a fine artist, a painter, were interrupted by the lure of the camera. By 1970 at 21 years of age she started working at ROLLING STONE MAGAZINE, becoming the “lens” of that publication. VOGUE, VANITY FAIR, The White House, Hollywood, Buckingham Palace among others, have all called for her legendary artistry as a portraitist. *The Library of Congress has declared her a Living Legend, and she is the first woman to have a feature exhibition at Washington’s National Portrait Gallery.* - Wikipedia

Please join us as we view and discuss a documentary on this consummate artist, at our *Anniversary Luncheon*, Thursday June 8 at noon. Admission 20.

For our second June event, WF will be back on the road! Our trips have been reinstated, and we'll start with a visit to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC on Thursday June 22. Our bus will leave from the Dillon parking lot at 9am. and at 3pm. depart from the city. Admission 35. for transportation. Tickets to the museum can be purchased separately at the Met.

To register and join in our programs please contact us at: [womensforumusa@gmail.com](mailto:womensforumusa@gmail.com).

Your address will then be added to our email distribution list for the monthly newsletter and detailed announcements of all events.

My best always,

Evelyn