

## Testimonials for Isabelle St-Jean

*“Thank you for speaking at our Business Circle Network event. Your presentation was very informational and definitely fostered great discussion between our members during and after your discussion. We will recommend you to our sister networking groups.”*

-Richard Willems, CEO Business Circle Network

*“At the conference I attended in Vancouver in 2005, I experienced Isabelle as a very dynamic and intelligent speaker on the subject of midlife and retirement. During her seminar for our community of lawyers in Whitehorse in Feb. 2008, I found her to be very professional as she informed and inspired us and gave us plenty of relevant food for thought. “*

-Joie Quarton, lawyer and mediator

*“This workshop, Authentic and Generative Leadership, created and conducted by Isabelle St-Jean was transformational. From the moment we began, Isabelle was creating community, creating sacred space. Gathering together on the beautiful isle of Bali we were a group “in search of...”. Isabelle led us through an elegantly simple process of internal discovery. With her guidance, her assurances that within, the answers awaited, she challenged us to be willing to believe and connect and breathe into the knowing. Her graceful being empowered us to reach deep and dream big. Creating the sacred in a sacred land...what could be more perfect? Much gratitude Isabelle!”*

-Cheryl Esposito, founder & CEO Alexsa Consulting and author of In the Spirit of Leadership: A Vision Into a Different Future

*"Isabelle brings to her seminars, not only a solid knowledge base, but also a passionate and charismatic speaking style and presence. Her presentation of the material inspires participants to embrace change and growth in themselves. "*

-Ruth Bancroft, director of the Langara Child Development Centre, Vancouver

*"During our client appreciation dinner events, Isabelle presented clients with an explanation of three different retirement success factors. We found her to be very articulate in her presentation and appreciated the examples she provided of both those successful and not so successful at transitioning into retirement. We would recommend her presentation for any group that is nearing or in retirement."*

-Eric Muir, BComm (Hons Finance), FCSI, CFP Vice-President, Investment Advisor

*"Isabelle's unique workshop, Purposeful Re-engagement that I hosted in May 2009 for practicing and retired educators, received enthusiastic comments and very positive feedback. Afterwards, several participants said they found the session to be highly relevant and that it had motivated them to take new initiatives. I thought Isabelle's informative content and that her skilful facilitation stimulated deep, thoughtful conversations. This was a first-rate session."*

-Maureen MacDonald, President of ACCES, May 2009

*"Our employees appreciated Isabelle St-Jean's thought-provoking and informative workshop on midlife and reengagement as a transition into retirement. The focus included developmental and psychological aspects, clarification of our values, lifestyle issues and positive things we could do to enhance our sense of purpose in our daily lives now and through our transition ahead. Isabelle also spoke about the importance of eventually retiring from our professional roles without regrets and she facilitated the process of identifying what we could do now to improve our work satisfaction as we plan for continuing to contribute to society in the future."*

-Catherine Gordon, Human Resources Officer, B.C. College of Teachers

*"Isabelle is the ideal person to speak of leadership. She shows strong leadership qualities with her content knowledge on the topic, her effective communication skills, and her warm and vibrant presence. Isabelle enlivens conversation that invites both inner reflection and positive action. With an open and willing heart, she engages well with others, encouraging them to recognize the importance of spirit in human connection."*

-Dr. Gloria McArter, Clinical Counsellor

*“Isabelle, Thank you so much for your talk at the Spirit in Workplace luncheon Oct. 15th. You spoke about a subject important to all of us - leadership, particularly inspired leadership. You were inspiring yourself because of the content of your speech and because you spoke from your heart. You challenged us to look at ourselves and our leadership using several different models - great food for thought! Personally, I was very moved by the questions you posed to us because I realized (again) my leadership lacks vision because I don't rally let myself dream... Your 'call to action' inspires me to take more time to dream, to visualize, and, in turn, to lead my team to do the same. Thank you Isabelle! “*

-Carolyn Sinclair, Vancouver

*“Isabelle St-Jean’s workshop and presentation on Authentic Vocation at Kwantlen University in June 2008 was interactive, thought provoking and well received by my students who reported having particularly enjoyed the friendly and engaging atmosphere as well as the challenging and engaging exercises, group discussions and Isabelle's stories that inspired them to reflect on their own life journeys.”*

-Juliet Kemble, Kwantlen University

*“Isabelle St-Jean spoke at one of my Divine You events and I, along with the participants, were inspired by her wisdom, grace and practical processes and tips to take away and apply immediately. I particularly appreciated her vast knowledge of people in mid-life, and her ability to apply that knowledge in a way that inspired us to act on our dreams and to know how to begin taking steps toward "Living Forward, Giving Back". I would heartily recommend Isabelle to any organization looking for a speaker or facilitator who walks her talk while passionately giving the tools and inspiration to do the same. Thank you Isabelle!”*

-Karen McGregor, M.Ed. July 2009 - Author, Speaker, and Founder of DivineYou.ca

*"Isabelle St-Jean's presentation to our Group of Women Educators was both inspiring and thought-provoking. She employed the use of fascinating stories and anecdotes gleaned from her experience as a Life Transitions Coach and from her own life. Many in our group expressed appreciation for her most interesting power point talk. We would recommend her presentation to any group interested in lifestyle issues."*

*-Patricia Marchand, retired teacher, Vancouver, Feb. 2010*

*"Isabelle led an outstanding session on the dynamics of leadership for the Youth delegation at the SOL conference on sustainability in Atlanta in April 2007. The participants were truly inspired and motivated by what they heard, practiced and discovered about themselves in this workshop."*

*-Doug Cohen, founder of Inspired Futures Campaign – US Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development*

*"With the feedback from students after the sessions on character education and development led by Isabelle, we conclude that she effectively stimulated the minds of the students with her dynamic presentations including uncommon demonstrations. The sessions generated more awareness among students about the caring they have for each other as well as the impact of some of their behavior patterns. We appreciate that through her work at our school, Isabelle sparked the students motivation and gave them tools to develop more of the qualities and character traits that are essential to their long-term success."*

*-Yves Perron, (former Principal at Kitsilano French high school program). June 2004*

*"Thank you very much Isabelle for an inspiring presentation", as wrote one of my students. The grade 11 and 12 students enjoyed it very much, I think because they felt personally connected to the topic. It resonated with their needs and brought them a very positive outlook about their future."*

*-Annie Bedard, Principal of Jules Verne School, Vancouver*

*"Your participation helped to make the BCBEA Conference 2007 a success. Also, your workshop presentation, Keeping the Educator's Flame Alive in Mid-life and Beyond was very well received."*

-Shamim Brown, co-chair of BCBEA conference 2007

*"When Isabelle presented to the Vancouver Chapter of the Valley Women's Network, she captured our imagination with her words. The audience discovered that leadership and success are within everyone's grasp. Isabelle delivers a visionary message yet it is also one filled with layers of practicality".*

-Pamela Chatry, Business Manager, Vancouver

"Isabelle is an awesome presenter. She speaks with intelligence and great depth of knowledge, as well as with clarity and passion."

-Claire Robson, DCCNet.com

*"This course gave me much more insight in understanding all aspects of retiring and identifying a purpose after retirement."*

-R. H. (Employed by Government of Canada)

*"At the end of our Super Success Business Conference, everyone's head was filled with facts and info. Then, Isabelle's wonderful closing keynote on achieving success professionally and personally in our families really helped participants leave informed as well as inspired and with a full heart".*

-Wei Min Guo, PDI Group, Vancouver

*"Isabelle is that rare speaker, giving from the heart, sharing wisdom and powerful insights which inspire and moves others"*

-Geoffrey X Lane, Lane Consulting Group. Vancouver

*"After reviewing the evaluation forms from the conference, we are confident that the delegates found your session to be a worthwhile learning experience. Your participation contributed greatly to the success of this conference."*

-Elaine Liau, Director of Interprofessional Continuing Education