

THE ASCENT SERIES

Step Up. Speak Out. Elevate.

The Ascent Series is part of the Elevate Leadership Summit, taking place at Idaho State University on May 22, 2025. Our theme for 2025 is "Empowering Authenticity: Evolve, Embrace, Excel." We're seeking local voices with big ideas—people who embody authenticity and inspire others to grow, connect, and thrive.

If you've ever thought about public speaking or have a passion for making a difference, this is your opportunity. Whether you're an **industry leader**, **entrepreneur**, **community activist**, or someone with a personal story to share, we want to hear from you!

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

Speakers will deliver 15-minute talks followed by a Q&A session. Your talk should align with one of these themes:

- 1. A Compelling Story: A transformative experience or personal journey that could inspire others to evolve.
- 2. A Bold Idea: A concept that challenges perspectives and encourages us to embrace change.
- 3. A Vision for the Community: A message for how we can excel by working together to make a positive impact.

NO EXPERIENCE? NO PROBLEM!

We believe anyone with a passion to share can become a great speaker! That's why we offer:

- Auditions: Practice and refine your message before selection.
- **Speaker Training**: Coaching to help you feel confident on stage.
- Writing Support: Guidance to structure your talk for maximum impact.

IDEAL SPEAKERS MIGHT BE:

- Aspiring storytellers or public speakers
- Local business owners, professionals, or innovators
- Individuals with meaningful personal journeys
- Changemakers driving new initiatives in the community



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HOW TO APPLY:

To be considered, submit your proposal here:

Ascent Series Speaker Application.

Submission Deadline: January 12, 2025 (5:00 PM)

In your submission, include:

- 1. A brief summary of your idea, story, or vision.
- 2. Why you believe it's important to share with the community.
- 3. Any relevant links to past talks or presentations (optional).

Selected speakers will be invited for auditions, and those chosen will receive speaker coaching and training.

Together, let's **Evolve**, **Embrace**, **and Excel**—one story at a time!

If you have any questions, please contact Tommy Buttler tommyjohn83@gmail.com.

CONFERENCE DETAILS:

Conference Date: Thursday, May 22, 2025

Location: Idaho State University

Hosted by: Leadership Pocatello Chubbuck

We look forward to your submissions and to creating an inspiring and transformative event together!

