

In honor of International Women's Day,  
Idaho Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence, Boise State University Department of  
Criminal Justice, and other sponsoring partners invite you to raise awareness, advocate for  
change, and provide support to end the atrocities and change perceptions about sexual violence.

## **Lisa Shannon**

Author of *A Thousand Sisters: My Journey into the Worst Place on Earth to Be a Woman*  
Founder of *Run for the Congo* and 2010 "O" Power List! 20 Women Who are Rocking the World

**Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **Reception to Benefit the Panzi Hospital**

Eastern Congo hospital dedicated to treated victims of sexual violence. ([panzi.org](http://panzi.org))  
5:00 – 7:00, Linen Building – Tickets \$100 per person (100% tax deductible)

### **Lecture**

7:30, Egyptian Theatre – Tickets \$15 Adults/\$10 Students (100% tax deductible)

### **Lecture Sponsorship**

If your organization would like to be a sponsor at any of the three levels for the lecture, please  
contact Kelly Miller at 384-0419, ext. 306 or [kmiller@idvsa.org](mailto:kmiller@idvsa.org) by next Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

\$1,000 - Global Change Agent (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise Weekly  
advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 4 tickets to  
the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa Shannon  
and an additional 20 tickets to the lecture)

\$500 – Idaho Change Agent (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise Weekly  
advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 2 tickets to  
the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa Shannon  
and an additional 10 tickets to the lecture)

\$250 – Community Change Agent (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise  
Weekly advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 1  
ticket to the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa  
Shannon and an additional 5 tickets to the lecture)

### **Reception Sponsorship**

If your organization would like to be a sponsor at any of the three levels for the reception to  
benefit , please contact Kelly Miller at 384-0419, ext. 306 or [kmiller@idvsa.org](mailto:kmiller@idvsa.org) by next Tuesday,  
January 25<sup>th</sup>.

\$3,000 - Global Activist (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise Weekly  
advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 8 tickets to  
the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa  
Shannon)

\$2,000 – Idaho Activist (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise Weekly  
advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 6 tickets to  
the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa  
Shannon)

\$1,000 – Community Activist (includes listing in the Idaho Statesman and Boise Weekly  
advertisements as well as posters distributed throughout the Treasure Valley; 4 tickets to

the \$100 reception at the Linen Building on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:00 – 7:00 with Lisa Shannon)

We hope you can be a sponsor for either the lecture or the reception, here's why: the Congo is the most dangerous place on the planet to be a woman or a girl. Since 1996, sexual violence in the Congo has been used to torture and humiliate women and girls and destroy families. Hundreds of thousands of women and girls have been raped since the conflict began. In addition to the severe psychological impact, sexual violence leaves many survivors with genital lesions, traumatic fistulae, severed and broken limbs, unwanted pregnancies, and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV. Survivors are regularly ostracized and abandoned by their families and communities.

The event on March 2<sup>nd</sup> will feature international speaker, Lisa Shannon, who founded Run for Congo Women, a grassroots movement for Congolese women. Shannon chronicled her experiences in *A Thousand Sisters: My Journey into the Worst Place on Earth to Be a Woman*. Nicholas Kristof, *The New York Times* columnist and author of *Half the Sky* says Lisa Shannon "reflects one of the paradoxes that the people making the most difference in the Congo are often quite ordinary individuals who don't initially have the platform or the expertise, but who are equipped with a powerful conscience — and that makes the difference."

Make a difference and join us at the International Women's Day event to raise awareness, advocate for change, provide support to end the atrocities, and change perceptions about sexual violence. Your ticket cost will go to support services for victims of sexual assault in our community and in the Congo.

\$15 Adults (plus a \$2.25 service fee)

\$10 Students with Student ID/Seniors (plus a \$2.25 service fee)

Doors open at 6:30pm. Seating is not assigned. Lecture begins at 7:30pm Tickets are available online at [www.egyptiantheatre.net](http://www.egyptiantheatre.net) or at Egyptian box office 11AM -6 PM Tuesday - Saturday

For more information about the speaker visit: <http://www.athousandsisters.com>.

For more information about this lecture, please contact the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence at 384-0419, ext 308.