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# 11<sup>th</sup> Annual "The Journey" Evening Fundraiser Fri., Feb. 24 Featuring Keynote Speaker Shannon Miller, Olympic Gymnast & Gold Medalist

DENVER (Jan. 12, 2023) - Join the Junior League of Denver (JLD) for **The Journey**, an exciting evening fundraiser, on Friday, Feb. 24 at the University of Denver Magness Arena. The 11<sup>th</sup> annual event will feature keynote speaker **Shannon Miller**, Olympic gymnast and gold medalist.

"We are overjoyed to have her speak at our 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary Journey fundraising event," said 2022-2023 JLD President Lindsey Talafuse. "Shannon is a true role model for women. She is an Olympic gold medalist, a cancer survivor and an advocate for the health and wellness of women and children." Proceeds enable the League to continue its mission of empowering women to become civic leaders and impactful community volunteers. Funds also support the JLD's community efforts to disrupt the cycle of systemic poverty for women and families in Denver.

In addition to a variety of signature programs, funds raised by events help the JLD provide substantial financial and volunteer support to its community partners. <u>Learn more</u> about the JLD's community impact and current programs.

## THE JOURNEY 2023 DETAILS:

When: Friday, Feb. 24, 2023, 6 p.m.

What: Cocktail hour, dinner, keynote speaker Shannon Miller

Where: University of Denver, Magness Arena

**Tickets:** General Admission \$150 (\$175 after January 31) VIP \$225 until sold out (includes access to meet and photo with Shannon Miller) <u>Purchase tickets</u>

More info: <u>JLD.org</u> or 303-692-0270

#### About Shannon Miller, Olympic Gymnast & Gold Medalist

Shannon Miller is a seven-time Olympic Medalist in Gymnastics. She won five medals (two silver, three bronze) at the '92 Olympic Games. At the '96 Olympic Games, Shannon led the "Magnificent Seven" to the US Women's first ever Team Gold and for the first time for any American gymnast, Shannon captured Gold on the balance beam. After retiring from Olympic competition, Shannon graduated from the University of Houston and earned her law degree from Boston College. Since 2010, Shannon has been a strong advocate for the health and wellness of women and children. She is an ovarian cancer survivor and seeks to empower women to make their health a priority through education and awareness. Shannon is currently cancer-free and continues to be a strong advocate for early detection. Shannon's book, *It's Not About Perfect: Competing for My Country and Fighting for My Life*, is her inspirational memoir written to encourage and empower others to break through and overcome their own personal challenges.

### Who We Are

The Junior League of Denver (JLD) is a women's training organization that develops civic leaders committed to improving our community. We are currently working to disrupt the cycle of systemic poverty for women and families in Denver. Founded in 1918, the League started, and aided in starting, many well-known Denver institutions including Children's Museum of Denver, Mile High Transplant Bank, the Red Rocks concerts and many others.

#### Live the Legacy: *Give, Grow, Get Connected*

JLD is an organization where women *Give* back to their community, *Grow* personally and professionally, and *Get Connected* to other women.