

FULL BIO (500 WORDS)

Lex Gillette is an elite Paralympic athlete and internationally recognized keynote speaker whose message redefines what it means to have a vision. A five-time Paralympic medalist and four-time world champion, he is the most decorated totally blind long jumper in U.S. history and the most decorated totally blind long jumper in Paralympic history. Lex inspires leaders and teams to turn uncertainty into opportunity and vision into action.

Robbed of his sight during childhood, Lex was determined not to fall victim to a world of darkness. His mother exposed him to many resources and tools essential to his independence and ability to achieve great things. "Elexis, it does not matter what anyone says. You decide what you can do, and no one else." Those are the exact words spoken by Lex's mother and were echoed in a 2016 Procter and Gamble commercial featuring them both. Those same words have helped her son succeed in transforming what was once a tragedy into a triumph. His athletic talents have been featured in the media including ESPN, Sports Illustrated, USA Today Sports, and People Magazine. He is a 2015 inductee in the AON Hall of Fame.

Off the field of play, Lex is devoted enhance the lives of children within the United States and abroad. He is an athlete-mentor for Classroom Champions, an organization that pairs Olympians, Paralympians, and professional athletes to K-8 students in underserved schools to concentrate on the importance of goal-setting, diversity, perseverance, teamwork, and healthy living. In 2022, he was elected by the Board of Directors to focus on strategic plans and partnerships to empower more athletes, especially those with disabilities, to be mentors and bring a vision of Classroom Champions to life for schools serving students with physical challenges like visual impairment. Positive role models and strong guidance shaped the trajectory of Lex's life. His mission is to provide the same support.

Lex is also a part of the LA28 Athletes' Commission. A collection of elite athletes comprised of nine Paralympians and nine Olympians who bring essential insights and perspectives to create an inclusive, innovative and seamless experience for athletes participating in the LA28 Games.

Lex is a sought-after inspirational keynote speaker who empowers his audiences to gaze beyond the horizon and see more than what is in front of their eyes. There is no need for sight when you have a vision®. That is the very phrase that has propelled Lex into a world of infinite opportunity. It is not our eyes that ultimately determine success in life. It is our ability to see a vision and do everything in our power to turn it into reality. During Lex's presentation, you will laugh, cry, be inspired, and you will learn how to become a better version of yourself. With every stage he graces, Lex is determined to do for his audience what was done for him - to Teach ... People ... To ... See.

MEDIUM BIO (250 WORDS)

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SHORT BIO (100 WORDS)

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MICRO BIO (UNDER 50 WORDS)

Lex Gillette is a five-time Paralympic medalist, four-time world champion, and the most decorated totally blind long jumper in U.S. history. There is no need for sight when you have a vision®. That's Lex. He ... Teaches ... People ... To ... See.