

IGNITING OUR *POWER*



HAITIAN LADIES *Weekend* 2026

WASHINGTON DC

PARTNERSHIPS

OCTOBER 2-4



Who We Are

Haitian Ladies Network® is a global platform for leadership and impact, 100K women and girls strong, two decades deep, operating at the center of culture, power, and social change, and anchored in a community that spans the United States, Canada, France, Haiti, and the broader diaspora.

We convene the women who lead and shape strategies across sectors and generations. Year-round, HLN delivers programming across five interconnected pillars: Financial Well-Being, Wellness and Healing, Culture and Heritage, Bridging Haiti and its Diaspora, and Voice and Influence

Our flagship, the Haitian Ladies Weekend, is a sold-out, 800+ attendee, multi-day experience in Washington, DC with international and virtual reach.

What began as an intimate DC gathering has grown into one of the most trusted and high-value convenings of its kind, with rare intergenerational reach, cross-sector credibility, and multinational visibility.

This is an ecosystem built on trust, rooted in cultural intelligence, and designed to activate relationships, strengthen leadership, and translate connection into action.

Our Impact

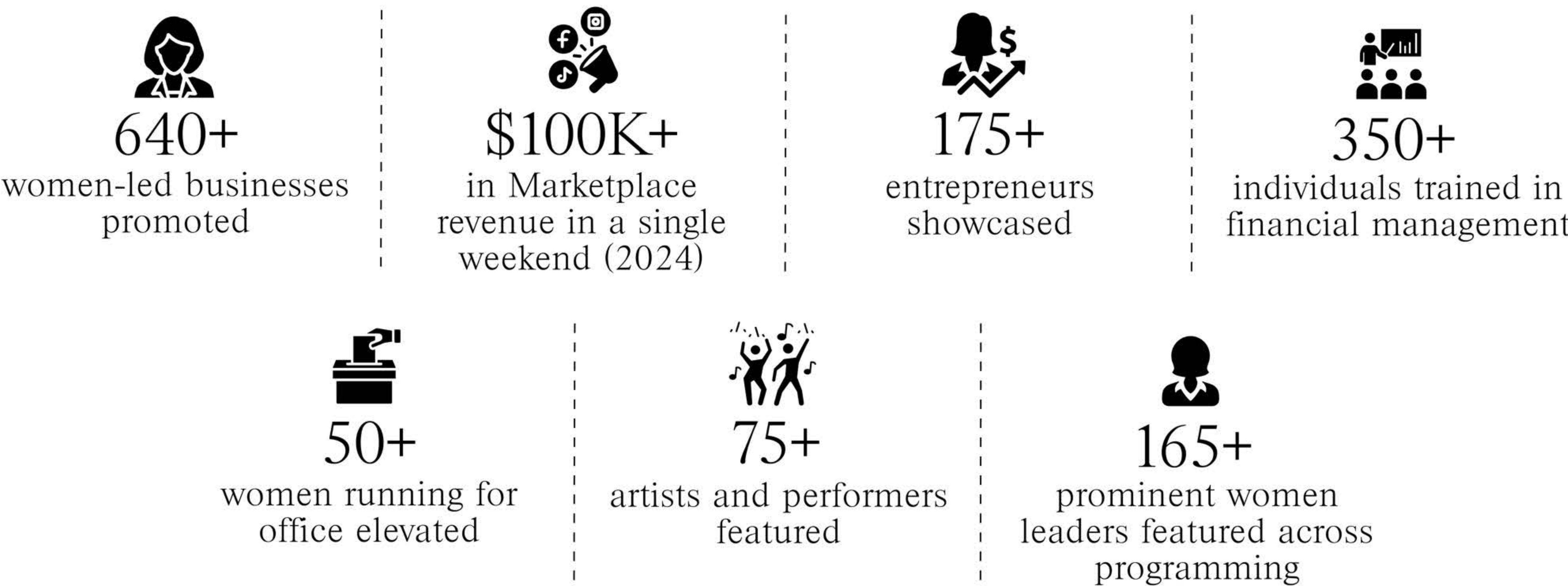
HLN’s impact spans community reach, economic opportunity, leadership visibility, and cultural engagement across the diaspora and Haiti.

REACH



Programming active across the United States, Canada, France, and Haiti

OUTCOMES



SELECTED INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATIONS

Kellogg Foundation · Kennedy Center · National Museum of African American History and Culture · National Gallery of Art · Organization of American States · Embassy of Haiti · Foundation for Knowledge and Liberty (FOKAL) · PAP Jazz · Partners in Health · Centre d’Art · Haitian Bridge Alliance · National Haitian American Elected Officials Network · Haitian American Foundation for Democracy

RECOGNIZED BY

The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts (NAREIT) recognized HLN as one of eight organizations advancing financial empowerment (2024)

National Haitian American Elected Officials Network awarded HLN for community leadership

How We Advance *Impact*

HLN advances impact across five interconnected pillars. Each is embedded in Igniting Our Power Haitian Ladies experience and extends into year-round programming.



Voice and Influence

Leadership & Civic Participation

Convening elected officials, advocacy leaders, civic organizations, and community-based groups across multiple countries to strengthen dialogue, coordination, and collective strategy. HLN has profiled 50+ women running for office. Through partnerships with organizations like When We All Vote, HLN integrates voter registration and civic education into the experience. The Weekend creates structured space for cross-border civic alignment and organizational capacity building.

HLN convenes elected officials, advocacy leaders, and civic organizations across countries to strengthen dialogue and coordination. These engagements bring together women leaders, policy influencers, and community based organizations. This creates opportunities for alignment, increased visibility, and stronger civic participation across the diaspora.



Financial Well-Being

Entrepreneurship & Economic Mobility

Supporting women-led businesses through visibility, market access, mentorship, and connection to financial knowledge. HLN's Marketplace has generated \$215K+ in cumulative sales across 175+ entrepreneurs. In 2024, 54% of vendors featured products made or sourced directly from Haiti. Financial literacy programming has trained 350 individuals in wealth-building and management.

HLN supports women led businesses through visibility, market access, mentorship, and financial knowledge. This work serves entrepreneurs, small business owners, and women seeking to build or grow income generating opportunities. This leads to increased exposure, expanded networks, and greater access to economic opportunity.



Culture and Heritage

Culture, Narrative & Identity

Advancing intentional narrative change through immersive cultural programming, artistic expression, and storytelling rooted in Haitian history and identity. Programming includes film, live performance, ancestral dance, immersive art, and environments designed to engage every sense — visual, sound, taste, and movement — reconnecting attendees with the depth and beauty of their cultural heritage.

Partnerships with cultural institutions, art centers in Haiti, and original content produced in-country expand this work beyond the Weekend. Signature experiences like La Grande Danse combine performance, and collective participation. This year, HLN is activating cultural and art performance simultaneously in Haiti, deepening the bridge between diaspora audiences and the living culture of their homeland.



Wellness and Healing

Health & Well-being

Creating space for education, prevention, and holistic care integrating modern health perspectives with traditional and ancestral healing practices. Programming addresses women's health, mental health, and community well-being through guided sessions, conversations, and practitioner-led experiences.

HLN creates space for education, prevention, and holistic care. This increases awareness, expands access to resources, and supports a more holistic approach to well-being.



Bridging Haiti and its Diaspora

Diaspora-Haiti Bridge

Connecting diaspora leadership with organizations and institutions in Haiti to strengthen collaboration, resource flow, and shared strategy. In 2024, HLN activated simultaneous programming in Haiti through its partner Banj, livestreaming panels from DC and enabling direct interaction between audiences in both countries.

Programming helps attendees understand how to engage with organizations working in Haiti and how to participate in the country's development in meaningful ways.



The Haitian Ladies Weekend Experience

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With international programming | Global virtual access

The Weekend functions as a convening platform where relationships, knowledge, and strategy translate into collaboration and sustained engagement beyond the event itself.

Three days. Multiple venues. Simultaneous tracks.

800+ attendees in 2024. Sold out.

Day 1 – Culture · Art · Diplomacy

Private access to DC's leading cultural and institutional spaces. Curated encounters, performances, and an evening that sets the tone for everything that follows.

Day 2 – Symposium · Experience · Movement

The most immersive day. The morning opens with wellness, meditation, and ancestral movement. From there, the day unfolds across simultaneous tracks: interactive workshops on wealth-building, entrepreneurship, health and wellness, innovation, and engagement with Haiti, alongside keynotes and conversations on the main stage. The Marketplace, Wellness Lounge, Book Corner, and Cultural Immersion Room are active all day. The evening shifts into cultural performance and celebration.

Day 3 – Signature Brunch · Leadership · Connection

The centerpiece. HLN's Signature Brunch in its 20th year, featuring world-class speakers, cultural icons, and live performances. Earlier in the day, senior leaders and community organizations convene for high-level strategy and dialogue. Mentorship circles connect the next generation.

Evening & Social Experiences

Curated networking events and social activations that extend engagement beyond the main program.

“*Haitian Ladies Network® offers something that is rare in today's landscape: a trusted space where engagement feels authentic and meaningful. Over the years, our continued partnership has allowed me to connect with a community that is attentive, responsive, and values financial management expertise. The depth of interaction at HLN's annual conference goes far beyond visibility; it is about presence, trust, and consistency.*”

- Swanellie Paulin

Financial Advisor with Edward Jones



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POWER | WELLNESS | CULTURE | IMPACT



PAST SPEAKERS, PERFORMERS & COLLABORATORS

The Voice of the room

HLN has hosted 250+ speakers, performers, and collaborators from across the United States, Canada, France, Italy, Haiti, and the global diaspora, including heads of state, White House leaders, Emmy and Grammy Award winners, Cannes and Sundance filmmakers, prize-winning authors, and globally recognized cultural voices.



SELECTED SPEAKERS & LEADERS

Michèle Duvivier Pierre-Louis – Former Prime Minister of Haiti; President, FOKAL

Michaëlle Jean – Former 27th Governor General, Commander-in-Chief of Canada

Yamiche Alcindor – Washington Correspondent for NBC News, Former White House Correspondent for PBS NewsHour, Peabody Award winner

Karine Jean-Pierre – Former White House Press Secretary and Senior Advisor to President Joseph R. Biden Jr.

Dominique Anglade – Executive Director HEC Montréal; Former Leader of the Québec Liberal Party; Former Deputy Premier and Minister of Economy; Co-founder, KANPE Foundation

Régine Chassagne – Grammy-Nominated Artist; Lead Singer Arcade Fire; Co-Founder KANPE Foundation



SPECIAL APPEARANCES & COLLABORATIONS

Debbie Allen – Golden Globe Award-winning Actress, Choreographer, Director, and Kennedy Center Honoree

Gina Prince-Bythewood – Acclaimed Film Director and Screenwriter; NAACP Image Award Winner

Tina Knowles – Businesswoman, Fashion Designer, and Philanthropist; Founder, House of Deréon

Sanaa Lathan – Award-Winning Actress; Tony Award Nominee and NAACP Image Award Winner



ARTISTS, CREATIVES & CULTURAL VOICES

Stella Jean – Fashion Designer; Founder, Stella Jean Brand; UN Ethical Fashion Initiative Advisory Board Member

Garcelle Beauvais – Actress; Television Personality; Producer; Author

Edwidge Danticat – MacArthur Fellow and acclaimed author

Yanick Lahens – Francophone writer, novelist, teacher, and lecturer; Officer of the Order of Arts and Letters; Knight of the Legion of Honor; Laureate of the Grand Prix du Roman de l'Académie Française

Gessica Généus – Award-Winning Actress and Director, “Freda” 2021 Cannes Film Festival Official Selection and “Marie Madeleine” 2026 Cannes Film Festival Premiere



PERFORMERS

Wyclef Jean – Three-time Grammy and Emmy Award-winning artist

Emeline Michel – Singer; Songwriter; Cultural Ambassador

Stacey Barthe – Grammy-Nominated Songwriter

Malou Beauvoir – Singer; Songwriter; Cultural Artist

James Germain – Acclaimed Singer; Cultural Performer

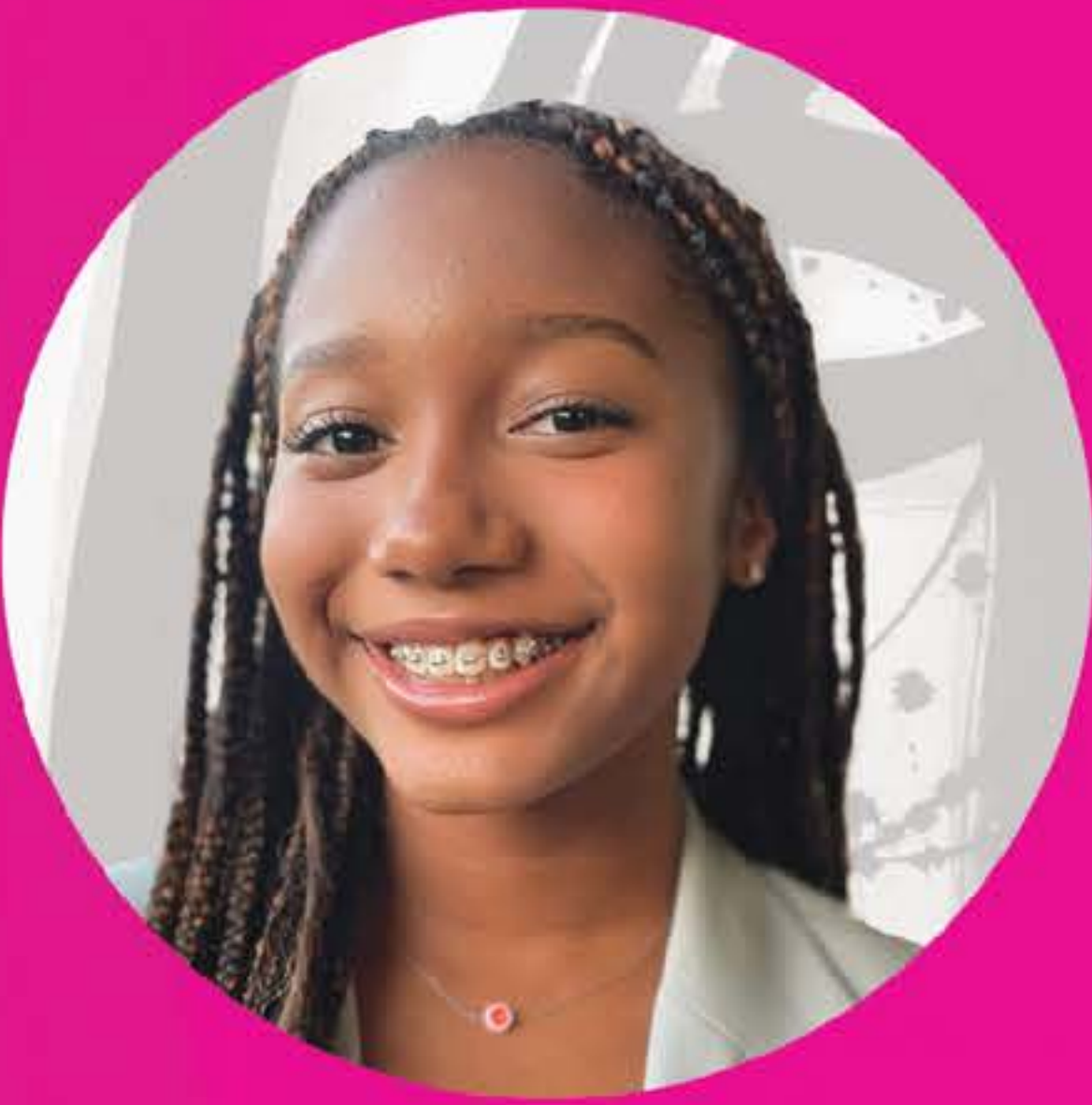




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NEXTGEN: PRESERVING HAITIAN IDENTITY ACROSS BORDERS



Christine Cherestal
NextGen Moderator



Dr. Charlene Désir
Director/Professor,
T.E.N. Global, Nova
Southeastern University



Wynnne Lamour-Quansah
Founder & Managing Director,
The Haitian Creole Language
Institute of New York



Madjeen Isaac
Visual Artist



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SHAPING THE FUTURE: *Leadership and Progress for Haitian American Women*

MARY ESTIMÉ-IRVIN

Chairwoman of NHAEON, Vice Mayor of North Miami



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FROM LOCAL ROOTS TO GLOBAL REACH



**Daphné Valmond
Bourgoïn**
Executive Director,
Tisaksuk/ Atelier Tisaksuk



**Sandra Hollant
Russo**
CEO of Sandilou Textile



**Corinne Joachim
Sanon Symietz**
Co-Founder and CEO,
Askanya Chocolates



**MODERATOR
Tamara Béliard
Rodriguez**
Senior Vice President
of IslandTV / VP and
CFO of Fatima Group

Ecosystem *partners*

HLN's impact is strengthened through strategic partnerships with organizations working across health, culture, education, civic engagement, human rights, and community development in Haiti and the diaspora. These partnerships support the translation of convening into on-the-ground collaboration and sustained impact. Relationships vary from programmatic collaboration to institutional engagement.

PHILANTHROPIC AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS



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KELLOGG
FOUNDATION



UNITED NATIONS
FOUNDATION

IN HAITI

Partners
In Health



PAPJAZZ
Festival
HAITI



ACROSS THE DIASPORA



NHAEON



CULTURAL & INSTITUTIONAL



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National
Gallery of Art



Through these relationships, HLN creates a platform where organizations gain visibility, connect across sectors, align strategies, and strengthen collective impact. The Weekend serves as the convergence point where these partnerships activate.



Why *invest* in HLN

HLN addresses a critical gap. Haitian women lead across sectors and geographies, yet there has not been a centralized and trusted platform to connect that leadership across borders, generations, and industries. HLN exists to bridge the gap.

Through intentional convening, HLN creates the conditions and the structure for women to connect, exchange knowledge, build coalitions, access economic opportunity, and strengthen their capacity to lead — individually and collectively.

What this makes *possible*



Elected officials of Haitian descent from multiple countries convene, coordinate, and present their platforms and plans to the broader HLN audience. This year, the Weekend is being intentionally designed so that elected women can strategize with philanthropy leaders, political strategists, and each other — building stronger organizations and shared strategy across borders



Organizations working in Haiti and across the diaspora align strategies, share resources, build partnerships, and share with the broader attendance how to engage with Haiti and with them. The programming is structured to produce shared strategies, plans, and actionable outcomes



Entrepreneurs access markets, mentorship, and networks that accelerate growth



Young professionals connect with senior leaders across generations, creating mentorship and succession pathways — and with peers from different cities, countries, and sectors



Women reconnect with ancestral practices, cultural and historical knowledge, and the sense of identity that sustains leadership over time — through settings that engage every sense: visual, sound, taste, and movement



Civic engagement is embedded across the experience through partnerships with organizations like When We All Vote, voter registration, and civic education programming that equips attendees with the tools and information to participate fully



Artists, cultural practitioners, and art institutions from Haiti and the diaspora share work, perform, and create immersive environments that root attendees in their culture, history, and identity. HLN is expanding cultural programming to include art performance activated simultaneously in Haiti, deepening the connection between diaspora audiences and the living culture of their homeland

What makes this ecosystem *distinct*



The only convening connecting a single diaspora across multiple countries, generations, sectors, and stages of integration



Twenty years of organic trust and community infrastructure that cannot be manufactured



Programming that bridges Haiti and its diaspora, creating collaboration between on-the-ground organizations and diaspora leadership



Proven outcomes in economic participation, civic engagement, cultural preservation, and leadership development



A model where healing, cultural identity, and collective power are foundational — not supplementary — to impact



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Why invest in *HLN* Today



A Once-in-a-Generation Opportunity to Build Women's Collective Power



Haitian Ladies Network has organically built what few organizations have achieved: a trusted global network connecting more than 100,000 women and girls of Haitian descent across the United States, Haiti, Canada, Europe, the Caribbean, and beyond.



Our vision is bold: to mobilize Haitian women as a force for social, civic, and economic transformation—strengthening communities, expanding opportunity, and accelerating collective impact wherever Haitians live.



We believe women are not simply beneficiaries of change—they are architects of it.

Every entrepreneur who launches a business, every young woman who discovers her leadership potential, every community leader who gains access to relationships and resources, and every cross-border partnership we cultivate strengthens an ecosystem capable of producing lasting impact for generations.



Yet the demand for our work now exceeds our capacity.

Communities are asking for more leadership development, more entrepreneurship support, more financial education, more civic engagement, more wellness programming, and stronger connections between Haiti and its global diaspora. We have demonstrated the model. The opportunity before us is to scale it.

Your investment helps transform a proven network into an enduring institution.

Philanthropic support will enable *Haitian Ladies Network* to:

-  Expand year-round leadership, economic mobility, wellness, and civic engagement programming;
-  Deepen partnerships with institutions across Haiti and the diaspora;
-  Strengthen our organizational infrastructure, technology, and evaluation systems;
-  Invest in leadership and staff capacity to sustainably serve a growing global community; and
-  Mobilize thousands more women to lead change in their professions, businesses, neighborhoods, and countries.



A Once-in-a-Generation Opportunity to Build Women’s Collective Power

It creates a multiplier effect—one in which every woman empowered through HLN reaches families, businesses, schools, nonprofits, and communities, generating impact that ripples across borders.



This is an investment in leadership.



An investment in social capital.



An investment in economic opportunity.



An investment in one of the world’s most connected and influential Haitian women’s networks.

Together, we can build an institution that not only responds to today’s challenges but equips generations of women to shape a more prosperous, equitable, and connected future.

Join us in transforming the power of connection into lasting collective impact.





JOIN US

The next Haitian Ladies Weekend takes place

October 2-4, 2026
Washington, DC

Your investment strengthens an ecosystem that produces lasting impact across leadership, economic mobility, cultural identity, and civic engagement. We welcome philanthropic partners who are committed to helping build and support a sustainable women-led ecosystem that supports women and girls.

Contact

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to join us.



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