

FULL 3-DAY PROGRAM

DAY 1 ● Monday, May 25

8:30 AM — 4:00 PM

Building a Family Enterprise

Judi Cunningham
Junior Ballrooms A and B

8:30 AM — 4:00 PM

NxG Retreat Workshops

Tim Yeung and Jason Nicola
Parkville

8:30 AM — 4:00 PM

Integrating FEA Into Your Practice

Kathy Bright and Gaia Marchisio
Junior Ballrooms C and D

9:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Community Nature Hike

Grant Conroy and Karen Alko
Dog Mountain Trail (1 hour bus ride, off location)

11:30 AM — 12:30 PM

Community Lunch

Junior Ballroom Foyer

4:00 PM — 7:00 PM

Family Enterprise of the Year Awards Gala & Reception

Pavillion Ballroom and Foyer

DAY 2 ● Tuesday, May 26

7:30 AM — 8:15 AM

Continental Breakfast

Pavillion Ballroom and Foyer

8:00 AM — 8:45 AM

Opening Remarks & Indigenous Welcome

Steve Beachesne, featuring M'Girl
Grand Ballrooms A and B

8:45 AM — 9:30 AM

Inspiring Family Story: The Stevens Company

Jay Stevens
Grand Ballrooms A and B

9:30 AM — 10:15 AM

Keynote: Negotiating With Giants

Fotini Iconomopoulos
Grand Ballrooms A and B

10:15 AM — 10:25 AM

Family Enterprise Canada Announcements

Grand Ballrooms A and B

10:25 AM — 11:00 AM

Networking Break

Grand Ballroom Foyer

11:00 AM — 12:30 PM | **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

Discussion: Can I Fire A Family Member?

Gerry Meyer
Junior Ballrooms A and B

Fireside Chat: How Impact Builds Generational Success

Bernie Geiss and Tony Scott with Coro Standberg
Junior Ballroom C

Discussion: Legacy and Leadership Transitions

Barb Schimnowsky and Rachel O'Connor
Junior Ballroom D

12:30 PM — 2:00 PM

Community Lunch

Grand Ballroom Foyer

2:00 PM — 3:00 PM

Keynote: Rediscovering the Leader Beneath the Stewardship

Jill Nykoliation
Grand Ballrooms A and B

3:00 PM — 3:10 PM

Family Enterprise Canada Announcements

Grand Ballrooms A and B

3:10 PM — 3:30 PM

Networking Break

Grand Ballroom Foyer

3:30 PM — 4:15 PM

The Legacy of Giants: Decision-Making As a Family Sport

Matt Fullbrook
Grand Ballrooms A and B

4:15 PM — 5:00 PM

International Trade: Beyond Tariff Rates

Joy Nott
Grand Ballrooms A and B

5:00 PM — 5:15 PM

Day 2 Closing Remarks

Grand Ballrooms A and B

6:30 PM — 9:00 PM

Community Dine Arouds

Various nearby restaurants, off location

DAY 3 ● Wednesday, May 27

7:30 AM — 8:30 AM

Continental Breakfast

Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:30 AM — 9:00 AM

Updates From the Family Enterprise Foundation

Olivier de Richoufftz
Grand Ballrooms A and B

9:00 AM — 9:45 AM

Inspiring Family Story: Innisfree Shield Capital Inc.

Ashlynn Dale with Andrea Lekushoff
Grand Ballrooms A and B

9:45 AM — 10:30 AM

A.I. in Action: Standing on Giants, Building the Future

Rem Saporco and Denise Gigova
Grand Ballrooms A and B

10:30 AM — 10:40 AM

Family Enterprise Canada Announcements

Grand Ballrooms A and B

10:40 AM — 11:00 AM

Networking Break

Grand Ballroom Foyer

11:00 AM — 12:30 PM | **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

Love, Legacy and Lived Realities: Spouses in Family Business

Ambreen Bhaloo
Junior Ballrooms A and B

Panel Discussion: Life After the Exit

Chris Gandhu and Steve Carrerio with Emily Brine
Junior Ballroom C

Concurrent Discussion #3

Speakers and details to be confirmed
Junior Ballroom D

12:30 PM — 2:00 PM

Community Lunch

Grand Ballroom Foyer

2:00 PM — 3:00 PM

A Fireside Chat on Next Generation Perspectives

Tim Yeung and Aliya Rota with Serena Hak
Grand Ballrooms A and B

3:00 PM — 3:10 PM

Family Enterprise Canada Announcements

Grand Ballrooms A and B

3:10 PM — 3:40 PM

SPOTLIGHT SPARKS: 'TED' Style Community Talks

Speakers to be confirmed
Grand Ballrooms A and B

3:40 PM — 3:45 PM

Symposium 2026 Closing Remarks

Steve Beauchesne
Grand Ballrooms A and B

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ON THE SHOULDERS OF GIANTS

Vancouver
May 25-27

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