



# The Women's Conference®

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### **Maria Shriver to Be Joined by Rachael Ray, Billie Jean King, Dr. Mehmet Oz and Rocco DiSpirito for Night at The Village**

**WHAT:** Hosted by **Maria Shriver** and presented by **The Women's Conference**, Night at The Village will transform the Long Beach Convention Center's exhibit hall into an over 160,000 square foot interactive women's village. The first-annual event will feature stage conversations with prominent speakers, book signings with best-selling authors, renowned experts with advice on beauty, cooking, fitness and fashion, shopping boutiques, and green lifestyle products and information. Night at The Village will also reinforce The Women's Conference's commitment to the city of Long Beach as it recognizes and rewards the work of domestic violence organizations, **WomenShelter of Long Beach** and **Interval House**. Tickets are available and the event is expected to sell out. For more details, visit: [www.CaliforniaWomen.org](http://www.CaliforniaWomen.org).

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, October 21, 2008** from **5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**  
3:30 p.m. – General Press Check-in Begins

**WHERE:** **Long Beach Convention Center:** 300 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, 90802  
Media parking in Shoreline Drive Parking Lot (Shoreline & Linden)

**WHO:** Participant and program highlights:

- Main Stage presentations featuring remarks by Long Beach Mayor **Bob Foster**, performance of an original poem by 2008 California State Poetry Out Loud Champion **Roshawnda Bettencourt**, remarks by First Lady **Maria Shriver**, and a conversation with **Rachael Ray** and Actress **Valerie Bertinelli**.
- A dedicated cooking stage with "how-to" presentations featuring Chef and Author **Rocco DiSpirito**, Chef and Shutters Hotel Co-Owner **Dana Slatkin**, and FOX TV's *Hell's Kitchen* Chef **Scott Leibfried**.
- A dedicated Mind, Body and Spirit stage with "how-to" presentations featuring *Fit to Live* Author **Dr. Pamela Peeke**, green living experts **Lisa and Ron Beres**, style and fashion consultants **Jesse Garza** and **Joe Lupo**, fitness expert **Jillian Michaels** and *Happiness Is an Inside Job: Practicing for a Joyful Life* Author **Sylvia Boorstein**.
- Book-signings with more than 15 best-selling authors, including *Just Who Will You Be?* Author **Maria Shriver**, *YOU: Staying Young* Author **Dr. Mehmet Oz**, *Pressure is a Privilege* Author **Billie Jean King**, *The Middle Place* Author **Kelly Corrigan** and *Sammy's House* Author **Kristin Gore**.

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