

AFRIK ADVANTAGE



Speaker. Facilitator. Strategist. Consultant.

Robyn Afrik is a National Certified Global Career Development Facilitator (G.C.D.F.) endorsed by the National Career Development Association, (NCDA) the National Employment Counseling Association (NECA) and the National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP). She holds a Master's in Management, Leadership and Strategy (MS) from Michigan State University (MSU), a Bachelor's in Business Science Management (BSM) from Cornerstone University (CU), studied Social Work while attending Valparaiso University (VU). Robyn is CQ Certified in Cultural Intelligence (CQ) and Unconscious Bias by the Cultural Intelligence Center. In 2018 Robyn also received her Board Certification from the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG) University.

Robyn is a thought leader and speaker on topics of leadership, diversity, international adoption and race relations. In 2008, Robyn became the City of Holland Human Relations Commission Government and Community Relations/Social Justice Award recipient in recognition for advancing the cause of racial and cultural acceptance among the Holland Community. She was a 2011 nominee for the Lakeshore Athena Awards, promoting individuals who demonstrate excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business while actively assisting women in realizing their full leadership potential. Internationally, Robyn was selected and featured on Achimadang, a television show provided by the Korean Broadcasting Systems (KBS) in Seoul, Korea. Her story was presented on the topic of adoption. Robyn has also been featured in Mark DeYmaz's 2010 & 2013 Multiethnic Church Conference, hosted by Outreach Magazine and Christianity Today. She was asked to keynote the 2011 Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) Breakfast for the city of Dubuque, Iowa (IA) and co-planned and presented at the 2012 and 2013 Global Leadership sessions for the Presidential National Prayer Breakfast (NPB) held in Washington D.C. with Dr. Barbara Williams Skinner and Ambassador Tony Hall. In 2017 Robyn presented at the IF:Gathering conference for Be the Bridge, a national movement of building relationships that bridge across great divides. In 2018, Robyn will be a contributing author to "The Church in the 21st Century: The Creolization of Women of Color for Leadership," with Curtiss Paul DeYoung, in *Becoming Creoles: Theology and the Intersections of Injustice, Culture and Religion* (Minneapolis: Fortress Press).

Robyn Afrik is founder and President of Afrik Advantage, an organization dedicated to lead and facilitate key strategic initiatives for businesses, non-profits, cities and church groups interested in becoming intentionally diverse. Previous clients and partners include, the Global Leadership Summit, Christian Community Development Association (CCDA), Bethel College, Bethel University, Reformed Church in America (RCA), AndersonSpeaks, Bridgeway Community Church, Wheaton College, Duke University, Hope College and many more...

Robyn served as host and committee member for The Gathering, a bi-annual event fostering inclusivity and diversity for over 200 professional Michigan community members representing various countries and cultures from around the world.

She has passionately served on the following boards: Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance (LEDA); 70x7 Prison Re-entry, the Holland Area Arts Council (HAAC), the Holland Sentinel and co-serves the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) for the Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area to promote philanthropy and leadership in the next generation.

In 2016, Robyn and her husband established the Dr. Tai Afrik Memorial Scholarship Fund in honor and memory of Dr. Tai Afrik. Dr. Tai Afrik, a Diplomat of the United Nations, is remembered for leading globally with a servant's heart. Dr. Afrik humbly dedicated his entire life to promoting programs that facilitated development and adult education within the continent of Africa. This scholarship will provide first generation minority students an opportunity to higher education and support them until graduation.

Robyn is a swim mom to three children and wife to a family living in a town that celebrates a rich Dutch heritage. She does this, represented as a Korean Adoptee, married to a West African while building a more inclusive community wherever she goes. Robyn has lived and traveled in various places such as Senegal, West Africa, Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Seoul, Korea.

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