



**FOUNDATION CENTER SECOND ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE
PANEL DISCUSSION, GIVING CIRCLES
November 16, 11:15am-12:45pm**

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Maxine Frampton is the founder and director of *Women United in Philanthropy*, the first women's giving circle in New Jersey. Under her leadership, membership has grown from three to 80 women since its inception in 2005 and given two grants totaling \$115,000 to help women in northern New Jersey. The mission of Women United in Philanthropy is to advance the economic well being of all women by supporting the advancement and growth of women as business and community leaders and by helping them to learn about, talk about and use their wealth as an effective powerful tool to help other women. Ms. Frampton began her career in not-for-profit by working with adjudicated youth in Stamford Connecticut in 1980. She has gone on to work with older adults, foster children, and teens in crisis before coming to the field of women's philanthropy. For almost 20 years, she has worked with United Ways at the local, regional and national level, helping to design programs that strengthen local giving efforts and meet the needs of people in communities across the country. In addition to founding and managing Women United, Ms. Frampton is a freelance writer and mother of four. She recently received the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owner's Rose and Scroll Achievement award and the Girl Scout's Woman of Achievement Award, both honoring "extraordinary achievement by women who are community leaders, role models and advocates for women." Maxine lives with her family in Wilton, Connecticut.

Madeline Lamour Holder is currently the Associate Director of Individual Giving at the New York Women's Foundation ® (NYWF). Madeline identifies and cultivates philanthropic opportunities to expand partnerships with diverse affinity groups and individuals in New York City. Madeline manages two giving circles at NYWF: the Committee For the Future and the Circle of Sisters for Social Change. The Committee For the Future introduces younger women, who may be new to philanthropy, to the work of the Foundation, while the Circle of Sisters for Social Change is a giving circle which engages working women in New York City (NYC) to build a community of activist philanthropy. Madeline is the founder of C.H.A.N.G.E.R., a membership organization engaging low-wealth homeowners and partners with media, legal groups and social services to develop and win lasting policy changes designed to protect minority homeowners in NYC. Prior to that, Madeline spearheaded the Sisters Lending Circle (SLC) of the Central Brooklyn Partnership, a former NYWF® grantee partner, which promoted financial education, sustainability, as well as leadership among low-income women in Central Brooklyn. Madeline also coordinated a Community Outreach Program at the Center Against Violence in Brooklyn. For many years, she volunteered at Haitian Women for Haitian Refugees in Brooklyn where she taught English-as-a-Second-Language to adult Haitian immigrants and launched a health empowerment collective for women. Madeline received a B.S. in Architectural Engineering from Wentworth Institute of Technology and a certificate in Not-for-Profit Management from Columbia University Graduate Business School's Institute for Not-For-Profit Management. She currently serves on the Board of C.H.A.N.G.E.R. and Marenn Parenn pou

Haiti. Madeline is a recipient of the Open Society Institute's NYC Community Fellowship Award. She is fluent in Haitian Creole, French, and Spanish.

Hali Lee was born in Seoul, Korea and grew up in Kansas City, Missouri. She graduated from Princeton University, studied Buddhism at Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand, and received a Masters in Social Work from New York University. For most of her professional life, Hali has worked with women and children who are affected by domestic violence. She is the former Executive Director of the Korean American Family Services Center, a small community-based organization that assists Korean families in the NYC-metro area who are dealing with family violence. She currently sits on their Board of Directors. Formerly, she worked at a domestic violence shelter in Kansas City and as an organizer for reproductive rights. Hali has participated in numerous panels and conferences for domestic violence and immigration. She has served on the Board of the New York Women's Foundation, which funded the organization she used to direct. In May 2003 she chaired the New York Women's Foundation Celebrating Women Breakfast, which raised over \$1 million for New York City's women and girls. Hali recently made a documentary movie with her husband titled "Prom Night in Kansas City." It premiered at the Walter Reade Theater in New York City in April 2003 and was aired on TRIO TV. They are working on a second documentary about a young couple, sweet as can be, but with an apocalyptic religious point of view that is frightening. Hali founded the Asian Women Giving Circle in 2005. The Circle, an all-volunteer group of Asian American women, raised over \$55,000 in its first year to fund Asian American women-led projects that use the arts in some way to achieve a social justice goal. The Giving Circle raised and distributed \$75,000 in its second year and is now beginning its third. We're hoping to give away \$100,000 this year. Hali lives in Brooklyn, New York with her husband and 3 children.

Michelle Tong is the Donor Relations Director at the Asian American Federation of New York, (the "Federation") a multi-issue, pan-Asian, umbrella organization that serves, funds and advocates on behalf of 40 health and human service agencies. Michelle joined the Federation in 2003 as the Philanthropy Manager overseeing A New Heritage of Giving which promotes civic involvement, volunteering and giving among Asian Americans. She became the Donor Relations Director in 2004 and also works extensively on individual donor outreach and board member prospecting. She manages relationships with private foundations and corporations, directs philanthropy workshops, volunteer programs and fundraising events, and coordinates the annual giving programs and report publications. In 2004, she helped launch AsiaNextGen, the first young professional, Asian American giving circle in New York City. An attorney by training, Michelle practiced corporate law at Kaye, Scholer and previously worked at U.S. Trust Company of New York in the Trust and Estates Administration department as a corporate fiduciary. Michelle is a member of the Tufts University Alumni Admissions Program, China Institute of America's Young Associates Circle, and Redeemer Presbyterian Church. She was a board director of the Shuang Wen School, the first dual language Chinese/English public school in the country (2004-2007), and now serves on the board of the Chinese American Baccalaureate School in Manhattan (in formation). Michelle's interests include volunteering with Hope For New York Ministries and at the Children's Health Fund. Michelle received her J.D. from Fordham University School of Law in New York City and a B.A. in Political Science from Tufts and Oxford Universities.