

Everyday Mentoring, Growth, & Collaboration

Panel Session



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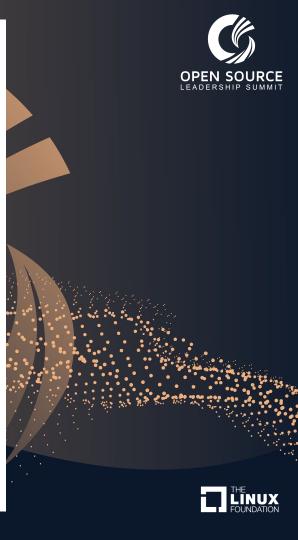
Erica Brescia is the Co-founder and Chief Operating Officer of Bitnami. With over one million deployments per month, Bitnami provides the largest source of applications and development environments to the world's leading cloud service providers, such as Amazon AWS, Microsoft Azure, Google Compute Platform, and Oracle Cloud Platform.

Prior to co-founding Bitnami, Erica held various sales and management positions at T-Mobile, and worked as a consultant with Chekiang First Bank in Hong Kong. She holds a B.S. in business administration from the University of Southern California.

Erica has been a dedicated builder of diverse, globally distributed technology and business teams, and has been featured as a keynote speaker at OpenStack Summit and OSCON.

To further those goals, Bitnami founded the Bitnami Bootcamp, which provides free education and training on cloud, open source, and containers, for recent college graduates and self-taught technologists living southern Spain.

As a YC Founder, Erica is also an active mentor of aspiring entrepreneurs in the technology and related industries, as well as being an angel investor in a number of early stage startups.





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Rupa Dachere is the Founder and CEO of CodeChix.org, a non-profit organization dedicated to the education, promotion and mentorship of women engineers. Creator of PiDoorbell (circa 2012 on the first Rpi) and entrepreneur, she is an FTE and holds Advisory roles at the Stanford GAP-For-Good program and the Dept. of Computer Science, University

of Colorado, Boulder.

Rupa started CodeChix as a grassroots group in her living room in 2009 to address the needs of women engineers in industry and academia and grew it into a non-profit organization with a focus on the Bay Area and Silicon Valley. She self-funded CodeChix, worked on it on weeknights and weekends and hopes to inspire other women engineers to follow their dreams and passions while being financially stable and independent.

Rupa is the recipient of the IEEE Meritorious Award for Informal Education and the Anita Borg Institute's Pass-It-On Award. Rupa did her Computer Science studies at the University of Colorado, Boulder and is an active technical speaker at conferences like Open Source Summit, PyCon, OSCON, USENIX, Silicon Valley Code Camp, Grace Hopper Conference and others. Her dream is to one day have parity in the number of female and male engineers in academia and industry.







Jaice Singer DuMars

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Jaice Singer DuMars is an active servant leader within the cloud native ecosystem. As the Cloud Native OSS Program Manager at Google, he is focused on building and sustaining healthy, inclusive, diverse, and scalable open source communities. As a former Kubernetes release leader (1.8, 1.10), current SIG chair, member of the Code of Conduct Committee, and project contributor, he is always in search of new ways

to make things better for everyone involved. He may also play jazz and hand-engrave saxophones for fun. HE/HIM, name pronounced rhymes with "face"





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Do you feel left out or uncomfortable at the company Christmas Party? Do you avoid the "water cooler" and try to limit your interactions to "business only"? Do you find many business-social interactions fraught with potential landmines and opportunities for exclusion or misunderstanding? Do you see colleagues excluded or unable to participate when activities are informal, under-structured, or ill-organized? Are you unsure how to include all the members of your team - including "the quiet ones" in events and activities? Do you have a sense that some employees are being left out?

This session will present a set of specific examples and stories from the direct experience of the panelists of some of the less obvious opportunities for communication, networking, learning, mentoring, growth, and collaboration that are presented by ongoing day-job activities and by outside events and forums.



