

AVA EDIA CHAMPIONS PANEL DISCUSSION



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AVA is excited to announce the upcoming Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (EDIA) Champions Panel, the first in a new bimonthly series exploring key issues surrounding gender-based violence, trauma, equity, and inclusion. This session will bring together EDIA leaders and community voices to share insights, experiences, and strategies for building inclusive and equitable spaces across sectors.

MEET THE PANELISTS



Dr. Marlynn Bennett (Ikwe (woman)/ She/Her/ Niin (me))

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Carla Bertsch (She/Her)

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Dr. Kendra Nixon (She/Her)

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