

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



JUSTINA PAGE



TYLER PELKE



DEBORAH  
BLANEY WARD

### **JUSTINA PAGE**

Justina Page is a natural storyteller. Her award-winning book, *The Circle of Fire*, tells the story of how Justina's life was changed forever when fire swept through her home, March 7, 1999. She lost her 22-month old twin son, Amos, and suffered third degree burns covering 55 percent of her body. With the support of her husband, James, and their surviving children, as well as her dedicated church family, Justina was able to use the power of faith and love to turn tragedy into triumph.

### **TYLER PELKE**

At the age of 14, Tyler's friend was murdered while he was viciously attacked, set on fire and left to die. Tyler survived, but was left with physical and physiological scars and refusing to let an event or circumstance define him, he pressed on to understand his purpose in life. Despite 3rd degree burn injuries to 25% of his body Tyler went on to pursue a career as a firefighter and has risen within the ranks of the Canadian fire service – working today as Assistant Deputy Fire Chief within a major metropolitan department.

### **DEBORAH BLANEY WARD**

Nova Scotia born Deborah Blaney Ward is an accomplished speaker and the author of *Silently Weeping*, an autobiography of her life after suffering burns to over 70 per cent of her body at the tender age of 7. Deborah devotes most of her time to burn support through local organizations such as the Nova Scotia Burn Support Group and the Canadian Burn Survivor Community.



# CANADIAN BURN SURVIVORS COMMUNITY



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#### **HOSTED BY:**

The Mamingwey Burn Survivor Society  
June 15 - 18, 2016  
Delta Winnipeg Hotel  
350 St. Mary Avenue,  
Winnipeg, MB

# PROGRAM



1:00 - 6:00 Registration  
7:00 - 10:00 Wine and Cheese Reception with entertainment




8:00 – 9:00 Breakfast and Registration  
9:00 – 5:00 Babysitting available  
9:00 Opening Ceremonies  
9:30 Meaning and History of Mamingwey – Linda Bailes  
9:45 **KEYNOTE SPEECH:**  
A Change of Plans – Justina Page  
----- 10:45 Break -----  
11:15 **PANEL:**  
Dealing With a Change of Plans  
- 12:15 Lunch -  
1:15 Body Image and Sexuality – James Bosch and Jill Sproul  
----- 2:15 Break -----  
2:30 Sharing Circles  
• Burn Survivors  
• Family & Friends  
2:30 Health Care Professional Session: Social Media and Professional Boundaries – Ryan Shymko  
3:30 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Burn Survivors Community  
4:30 Transportation to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights  
5:00 • Tours of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights  
• Cocktail Reception (food and cash bar)



8:00 Breakfast and Registration  
9:00 – 5:00 Babysitting available  
9:00 Announcements  
9:15 **KEYNOTE SPEECH:**  
Forgiveness - Tyler Pelke  
----- 10:15 Break -----  
10:45 **PANEL:** Forgiveness  
11:45 Update on Burn Research – Dr. Logsetty and/or team  
----- 12:15 Lunch -----  
1:15 - 3:15 Youth Session with James Bosch and Sara-Jane Milne  
1:15 **KEYNOTE SPEECH:** Writing Your Burn Story – Deborah Blaney Ward  
2:15 Break out Sessions:  
• The Benefits of Journaling – Judy Goodman  
• Burn Nutrition – Nancy Coutris  
----- 3:00 Break -----  
3:45 Sharing Circles  
• Burn Survivors  
• Family & Friends  
3:45 Health Care Professional Session: Crucial Conversations with Burn Patients – Jill Sproul  
4:45 Wrap Up  
7:00 Hospitality Suite – Room TBA



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9:00 Announcements  
9:15 **KEYNOTE SPEECH:**  
Hope: The Heartbeat of Survival - Justina Page  
----- 10:15 Break -----  
10:45 **PANEL:** Hope  
----- 11:45 Lunch and Group Photo -----



1:15 – 3:15 Youth Session with James Bosch and Sara-Jane Milne  
1:15 Skin Care Tips for the Burn Patient – Dr R. Haydey, Dermatologist  
2:15 Breakout Sessions  
• Complimentary Healing – Speakers TBA  
• Navigating Online Burn Support – John Westhaver  
----- 2:45 Break -----  
3:15 Sharing Circles  
• Burn Survivors  
• Family & Friends  
• Health Care Professionals  
4:15 Closing Ceremony – Daniel Barclay and Roger Armitte  
6:00 Cocktails (cash bar)  
7:00 Banquet – Dinner & Multi-cultural Night Dance

\*please note: program is subject to change – updated March 16, 2016