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Women's leadership series reimagined virtually

Holyoke Community College president Christina Royal and Amanda Sbriscia, the college's vice president of institutional advancement, will kick off a reimagined monthly Women's Leadership Luncheon Series on Wednesday.

The 2020 Women's Leadership Luncheon Series, postponed from spring due to COVID-19, will now take place virtually over Zoom on the last Wednesdays of July, August, September and October from noon to 1 p.m.

The series is sponsored by the college and Training and Workforce Options - TWO - a collaboration between Holyoke and Springfield Technical community colleges.

"Women leaders and up-and-comers will be joined by panels of like-minded women each month for small group discussions and open dia-



CHRISTINA ROYAL

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IF YOU GO

Event: Holyoke Community College Women's Leadership Luncheon Series

When: Noon-1 p.m., Wednesday; also Aug. 26, Sept. 30 and Oct. 28

Cost: Free for Wednesday; \$20 per session for others, \$50 for series

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logue," said Tracye Whitfield, TWO's director of business development. "Participants will have the opportunity to form a supportive network of women leaders, discuss topics of interest and enjoy a brown bag lunch, virtually. Professional development, networking and socialization over a delicious meal — does it get any better?"

Each lunch-time event will feature two presenters leading

discussions on different topics:

■ Wednesday: "Leading Through Change" with Royal and Sbriscia;

■ Aug. 26: "Empowering Women in the Workplace" with Denise Jordan, executive director, Springfield Housing Authority, and Julie Quink, managing partner, Burkhardt, Pizzanelli PC;

■ Sept. 30: "Comfortable in Your Own Skin, Finding Your Voice" with Tanisha Arena, executive director, Arise for Social Justice, and Pam Victor, owner, Happy Valley Comedy

Theater; and

■ Oct. 28: "Women Leaders in Non-Traditional Businesses" with Colleen Loveless, president and CEO, Revitalize Community Development Corp., and Nicole Palange, vice president of V & F Auto.

This week's session is free. The remaining three sessions are \$20 each, or \$50 for the full series.

Registration is required. Space for each luncheon is limited to 25.

To register, go online to hcc.edu/womens-leadership.