1Philadelphia's Tech Equity & Innovation Conference Innovation Weekend Returns to Philadelphia

Innovation Weekend will return October 24 - 26 to celebrate and advance equity in Philadelphia's tech and innovation community



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1Philadelphia, the initiative leading a city-wide strategy to make Philadelphia the capital of equitable tech and innovation, announced the return of the third annual **Innovation Weekend** (October 24-26). The 2024 Innovation Weekend will convene hundreds of innovators and change makers from across the region for three days of inspired conversation, purposeful networking and meaningful takeaways to advance diversity and equity in Philadelphia's tech and innovation community.

The past two years have brought together employers, entrepreneurs, technologists, philanthropists and local government officials all committed to fostering a tech ecosystem that supports access, interest and advancement for underrepresented communities. This year promises to bring a level of urgency as we gather leaders to help combat Philadelphia's recent designation as the least economically mobile large city in the United States.

"Innovation Weekend is truly my favorite time of the year," said Danae Mobley, Executive Director of

1Philadelphia. "It's inspiring to witness such a vibrant assembly of change makers. We have industry pioneers, passionate entrepreneurs, and visionary tech enthusiasts all collaborating towards driving tech equity and innovation. This year, we are particularly proud to have broadened our scope, welcoming regional and national leaders to Innovation Weekend. With their insights and perspectives, we are poised to elevate the conversation and explore new horizons for what Philadelphia can achieve in the tech landscape."

This year's theme, UNBOUND, is an invitation to move beyond conventional frameworks to construct new ways of learning and doing that help us realize real impact for all people that want to be involved in the tech and innovation sectors.

2024 event highlights include:

- <u>1PHL Innovation Awards</u> sponsored by Comcast NBCUniversal [Thursday, October 24th, W Philadelphia] Celebrate the vision and work of local leaders making a difference in the Philadelphia tech community.
- <u>The Kickoff Party</u> [Thursday, October 24th, W Philadelphia] Kick off Innovation Weekend in style! Join for a vibrant celebration that promises to set the tone for an inspiring weekend ahead.
- <u>1PHL Innovation Summit</u> [Friday, October 25th, CYTO PHL] Experience a full-day of curated, thought provoking sessions led by thought leaders in tech and innovation.
- <u>IW Brunch</u> [Saturday, October 26th, Fitler Club] Close out the weekend with good food, topnotch networking, and great vibes.

In addition to hearing insights from some of the most innovative voices across the region, attendees will network with other guests and speakers over the three-day event hosted at locations all across the city. For more information and purchasing options, visit lu.ma/innovationweekend.

1Philadelphia is proud to acknowledge a roster of sponsors for this year's Innovation Weekend. Comcast NBCUniversal serves as the lead sponsor for Innovation Weekend along with the following participating sponsors: Halloran Philanthropies, Harris Blitzer Sports & Entertainment, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and Morgan Lewis.

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