



#### Aimee Mullins Speaker Profile:

Aimee Mullins was born without fibulae and, to better her chances for mobility, doctors amputated both her legs below the knee. Defying all predictions that her physical activities would be severely limited, Aimee learned to walk on prosthetic legs by her 2nd birthday, and spent her childhood excelling in athletic activities: swimming, biking, softball, soccer, and skiing, always alongside “able-bodied” kids with flesh and bone legs.

While attending Georgetown University on a full academic scholarship, she set her sights on making the US Team for the 1996 Atlanta Games and enlisted Frank Gagliano, one of the country’s most respected track coaches. Through this partnership, she became the first woman with a “disability” to compete in the NCAA, doing so on Georgetown’s nationally-ranked Division I track team. Outfitted with woven carbon-fiber prostheses that were modeled after the hind legs of a cheetah, she went on to set World Records in the 100 meter, the 200 meter, and the long jump, sparking a frenzy over the radical design of her prototype sprinting legs.

#### Aimee as a model:

Aimee has graced some of the most respected magazines in the world, such as Life Magazine, Sports Illustrated for Women, ID, Dazed and Confused, Vogue, Harper’s Bazaar, W, Glamour, Elle, Jane, Rolling Stone, Esquire and People Magazine. After Life magazine showcased her in the starting blocks at Atlanta, Sports Illustrated for Women did an entire ten page spread on her athletic accomplishments. This exposure ultimately led her to travel the world to speak at international design conferences and fueled a deep interest in body image and fashion advertising and how they relate to the standard notions of femininity and beauty. Aimee mad...

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#### Speech Topics

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- ☐ Motivational Keynote
- ☐ Motivation

