

A photograph of two women standing on a wooden bridge with a metal railing. The woman on the left has blonde hair and is wearing a pink top, looking towards the woman on the right. The woman on the right has long blonde hair and is wearing a denim jacket, looking out over a forested landscape. The background shows trees and a clear sky.

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## Introduction

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Ten minutes in **2012** changed our next speaker's life **forever**.

While the **particulars** of her story are **rare**, her **status** as a person with a **disability** is **not**.

She came to **realize** that her **preconceived stereotypes** about **life** with a **disability** did **not match** the reality of life in a **wheelchair**.

She **dedicated** her life to **promoting inclusive communities** and **eliminating biases** associated with disabilities.

In **2017**, she co-founded **ReYu Paralysis Recovery Centre**, a pioneer in neuro-rehabilitation, the **first** of its kind in **Western Canada** and one of only **five** in the country.

Through **everything** she does, our **next speaker** truly **redefines** the word "impossible".

Please help me welcome Paralysis Recovery Pioneer,  
Reigning Miss Wheelchair Canada,  
and **Star** of the **CBC Docuseries "PUSH"**

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