

DYNAMIC *Women*

CHICAGO

Dearbhla Meaney

WHITE DIAMOND EVENTS / FOUNDER & CEO

From the adrenaline of theatre to the precision of luxury events, Dearbhla Meaney built a career on turning big visions into flawless reality. After earning degrees in marketing, production and communications, she was part of the production team that coordinated a cast and crew of 200 for Ireland's world-famous Riverdance show. Event production proved a natural evolution.

Today, as founder and CEO of White Diamond Events, Meaney has produced everything from intimate dinners to large-scale galas and sporting events for luxury brands, nonprofits and high-net-worth individuals alike. Known for her marketing savvy, adaptability and hands-on production mastery, she delivers bespoke experiences that exceed client expectations every time.

One of her proudest achievements was launching the Mental Health & Wellbeing Summit in 2016—the first of its kind—featuring world-renowned speakers like Dr. Deepak Chopra. In 2025, this Dynamic Woman also entered a game-changing partnership with a global ticketing platform, giving clients access to sold-out sporting events, concerts and theatre worldwide—a service few competitors can match.

White Diamond Events also serves as a premier destination management company (DMC), curating private travel itineraries for visitors to Chicago to experience the best the city offers. Thanks to exclusive working relationships with venues, live events and hidden cultural gems, Meaney and her team provide access to places and moments even lifelong locals don't know about.

For Dearbhla Meaney, being a Dynamic Woman means balancing competing demands. Following a divorce with young children, she recalls the resilience required to work full-time while building her event business at night. Inspired by trailblazers like NASA's "Hidden Figures" mathematicians, she possesses grace under pressure in every project: "The answer is never no. We are solution seekers. We go above and beyond every time."

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