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Supplier Spotlight:

This October supplier spotlight is special with the 2023 Supplier Diversity Expo on the 10th fast approaching! Assisting with the logistics and planning of the event was no other than owner & chief events officer Sherryln Thompson of [Highly Favored Events & Travel, LLC](#).

Highly Favored Events & Travel, LLC specialize in galas and group travel but also have experience in local and destination weddings, meetings, conferences, tradeshow, networking socials, incentive trips, reunions, parties, and much more. This profound black-owned business is also a certified full service event and travel agency with the ability to plan every aspect of your event, vacation or business travel.

See for yourself the exceptional work Highly Favored Events & Travel, LLC produce at the [2023 Supplier Diversity Expo](#) this Tuesday, October 10th at the Saint Paul RiverCentre! Hope to see you there! -OSD

October New Directory Additions

Spatial Intelligence Consulting



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KORTECH



Safety and compliance company specializing in connecting Diverse talents (people and DBEs) to corporations and government agencies.

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Office Update - Office for Supplier Diversity

2023 Supplier Diversity Expo Sessions Announced

Tuesday, October 10th from 9:00 - 3:00 PM

9:30 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.

Doing Business with the U: Capital Project Management & Supplier Diversity in Construction (Room 3)

Meet team members from the Office for Supplier Diversity (OSD) and Capital Project Management (CPM). Learn about the University's initiatives for increasing supplier diversity in

10:30 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.

Panel for Supplier Diversity Excellence in Construction (Room 2)

In recognition of their outstanding Supplier Diversity Programs and support for the U of M's Targeted Business Program, we've invited supplier diversity leaders from five construction firms to participate in the

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

LSE Architects Presents: A Different Perspective - Bringing a Transformative Lens to Architecture (Room 2)

LSE Architects is an Intercultural Design firm led by University of Minnesota graduate Mohammed Lawal, FAIA, NOMA. Through a series of case studies,

construction, the CPM procurement process, and upcoming projects.

inaugural Panel for Supplier Diversity Excellence in Construction: Hoffman+Uhlhorn, JE Dunn, Loeffler, McGough, and Mortenson.

participants will witness the design and work that shakes up the systems and processes that perpetuate inequities, and instead creates meaningful transformative processes and places in different facilities. Shake it up, make room for LSE Architects, because they're doing great things.

1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

Truly Engaging Presents: Trends in Targeted Print Marketing – Where digital and print meet to create emotional connections (Room 4)

At Truly Engaging, they spark emotional connections. Whether between brides and their guests, universities and their alumni and students, or any business and their customers, their custom print products keep events, brands, and loved one's top-of-mind. They do it with materials that feel special, seize attention, and beg to be displayed or kept. Join Truly Engaging, a certified woman-owned business, to experience the latest in print finishes and features designed to emotionally connect with your audience and keep you top-of-mind. Sample products and exclusive discount codes will be provided.


1:30 p.m. - 2:20 p.m.

Doing Business with the U: Office for Supplier Diversity & U Market Services (Room 3)

Do you wonder how buying works at the U? What policies and procedures are in place? What purchases must go through the formal bidding process, and where do you find those RFPs? What is U Market, what do they buy, and are your goods a good fit for U Market? Get all these questions answered and more in this session presented by the Office for Supplier Diversity and U Market.





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