

## Aimee Mullins, the queen of multi-tasking, delivers her message of hope

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Aimee Mullins

has never let her disability get in the way of any of her dreams.

[Aimee Mullins](#) was the perfect keynote speaker for Wednesday evening's [Via](#) Basketball Banquet.

Born without fibulae in both of her legs, Mullins did not let that minor inconvenience detour her from her life's goals, and in her 33 years she's been on earth, she has set a lot of them.

She's a model, and at the risk of sounding sexist, Mullins is a strikingly beautiful blonde who carries herself with supreme confidence and a posture that exudes success.

It is more than just a looking the part; she has carried out her life's goals in some of the most competitive situations.

"I believe sports is the perfect arena," Mullins says. "It requires every player to mentally deal with adversity."

Even trying to define her life is difficult. She is a multi-tasker who's constantly on the move, consistently driving to a finish line that others believed was not realistic for her to reach.

In addition to being a model, she's a stage actress who's currently as one of the four main characters in the New York City play "Crazy Eyes," a story about 9-11. She's also an accomplished public speaker and a standout sprinter and long-jumper in track who set several records in the [1996 Paralympic Games](#).

Her prosthetic limbs are similar to those of [Oscar Pistorius](#), the South African sprinter who's run world-class times in the 400 meters and is a legitimate threat to make [South Africa's Olympic team in 2012](#).

The message she articulated at the Via banquet was one of hope, promise and a challenge for everyone to break through the barriers of expectations of others, no matter what the obstacles.

In her world there are countless glass ceilings, and she's broken through them all.