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Alison Vaughn is an award winning entrepreneur, and founder and CEO of Jackets for Jobs, Inc., a nonprofit organization that provides employment etiquette, career skills training and professional clothing to low-income individuals. Since opening its doors in 2000, Jackets for Jobs has assisted more than 21,000 individuals in their pursuit of employment. This high profile organization has been recognized by ABC's "**The View**," NBC's "**Today Show**" and **Oprah's O Magazine**. In 2007, Jackets for Jobs caught the attention of retail giant **T.J. Maxx** with whom the organization has since partnered. In 2013, Jackets for Jobs opened an office in Botswana (Africa). Vaughn represented the organization on the floor of the **NASDAQ** where she rang the closing bell in 2006 and 2014.

A Detroit native, Vaughn is a sought-after public speaker nationally and internationally. In the fall of 2014, she was chosen to speak at the World Islamic Economic Forum in Dubai, UAE on the rise of women entrepreneurs. Vaughn has inspired audiences with her insights on advocacy, entrepreneurship, empowerment and workforce

development including area churches, civil rights organizations, corporations and non-profits, conference attendees, schools and universities and women's groups.

Vaughn was the 2011 co-chair of the 56th Annual Detroit NAACP Fight for Freedom Dinner, the largest sit-down dinner in the country annually drawing 10,000 attendees. The dinner is known for its distinguished keynote speakers, including U.S. Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton; the Honorable Hillary Clinton; the Honorable Colin Powell; and actor Danny Glover.

A member of the Association of Image Consultants International (AICI), Vaughn is a co-author of the book *Inspired Style*. This guide to glamour at any age features Vaughn and other top image experts sharing tips to help women look and be their best. She has also contributed articles on image, style and business etiquette for local newspapers.

Vaughn earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State University and graduated from The Women's Campaign School at

Yale University, sponsored by Yale Law School. She is a member of Distinguished Women in International Service, Gamma Phi Delta Sorority and Top Ladies of Distinction. Vaughn is a Eureka Communities Fellow, active with the NAACP and was a 2006 candidate for the Michigan State Senate. Vaughn is a **Goldman Sachs Scholar**, a graduate of the investment firm's 10,000 Small Businesses Program that provides entrepreneurs with a practical business education, access to capital and business support services. She is one of **Martha Stewart's** "Dreamers into Doers," a group of entrepreneurs who have turned their dreams into reality.

Having received numerous accolades, in 2007, Vaughn was named "Entrepreneur of the Year" by Alabama A & M University, and "Businesswoman of the Year" by the National Association of Negro

Business & Professional Business Women in 2009. That same year, the Michigan Chronicle honored Vaughn as a Woman of Excellence, and Lakeshore Engineering recognized her with its "Leaders, Legends & Luminaries" award.

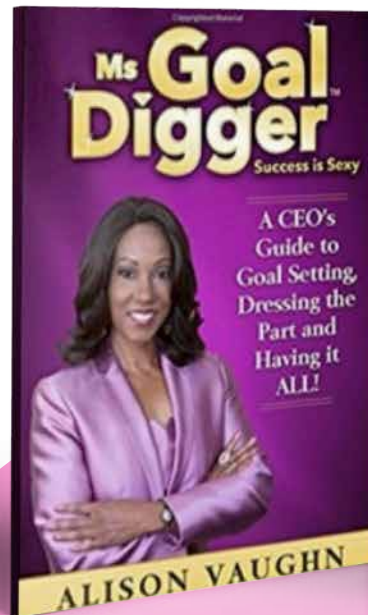
Vaughn has been listed in the Who's Who of Black Detroit for three years and the Who's Who Among Female Executives. She is a recipient of the Community Service Award from the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and the Humanitarian Award from the Top Ladies of Distinction.

In her spare time, Vaughn enjoys traveling, reading and attending sporting events—never missing a Detroit Lions home game. She is a member of Word of Faith International Christian Center.

AUTHOR

Author of the book:

Ms. Goal Digger:
Success is Sexy!
is a tell-all guide
for today's
businesswoman
who wants to get
what she wants for
herself, by herself.



Co-author of the book:

Inspired Style.
"Looking Great
at Any Age"
provides practical
advice on how to
dress for your age
and personal style,
and maintain your
perfect image at any
age.

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Full Bio


The Lesson I learned from meeting Oprah




Should I MakeUp or Kiss Up?



Don't Let Daylight Saving Time Dull Your Skin. Tips to have Skin that Glows.



How Dressing The "Unemployable" Became One Entrepreneur's Pathway To Success



DETROIT REPRESENTS CENTER STAGE AT THIS YEARS ESSENCE FESTIVAL

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Detroit represents Center Stage at this years Essence Festival



AJ Williams, Michigan Chronicle City.Life.Style Editor



Every summer millions convene in New Orleans for the biggest event of the summer, The Essence Festival.

The most prominent voices in leadership take the stage featuring keynotes and

panels with the biggest TV personalities, authors & gospel greats.

This year's musical headliner was Detroit's own Diana Ross. The Motown legend did not disappoint. Another Detroit native that made a mark at the festival was Alison Vaughn, author of the award-winning book, Ms. Goal Digger, Success is Sexy & CEO of Jackets for Jobs. Vaughn shared the book signing platform with New York best seller Dr. Michael Eric Dyson, Dr. Ian Smith and Soap Opera Diva Victoria Rowell the three-day event was packed with music, education and empowerment. for more about Alison Vaughn, www.AlisonVaughn.com



Jackets for Jobs, Inc.

Celebrating 15 Years
15th Anniversary, One Suit at a Time
2000 - 2015
JACKETS FOR JOBS, INC.

Educating, Empowering and Enriching Lives
15 Years of Service Celebration

Thursday, April 23, 2015
10:00 a.m.

Historic Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
315 East Warren Avenue
Detroit, MI 48201

Keynote Speaker:
Tracy Reese
Fashion Designer.
Notable fans of her collection include First Lady Michelle Obama, Sarah Jessica Parker and Taylor Swift.

The first 100 attendees will receive a FREE TJ Maxx gift card

Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com (search: Jackets for Jobs) by April 17, 2015
Sponsorship opportunities are available by calling (313) 579-9160

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Sweet 16
16th Anniversary, One Suit at a Time
2000 - 2016
"Sweet 16" Anniversary Celebration

Thursday, April 21, 2016
at 10:00 am

Greektown Casino Hotel Ballroom
Detroit, Michigan

Guest Speaker:
Veronica Webb
Veronica Webb is an American model, actress, writer, and television personality. The first African-American to have a major cosmetics contract, Webb has appeared on covers of Vogue, Essence and Elle magazines and on the runway for Victoria's Secret and Chanel.

Master of Ceremony:
Chuck Bennett, Detroit News Society Columnist

Entertainment:
Jabari Reynolds & Company

The first 100 attendees will receive a FREE TJ Maxx gift card

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17 Years of ties to the Detroit Community
Join us as we honor the following men who have supported Jackets for Jobs Men's program from inception:

Guest Speaker:
Alfred Edmond Jr.
Senior VP and Executive Editor-at-Large of Black Enterprise

The first 100 attendees will receive a FREE TJ Maxx gift card

Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 10:00 am
Greektown Casino Hotel Ballroom, Detroit, Michigan

Celebration will include a Fashion Show previewing TJ Maxx Spring Fashions

Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased at www.eventbrite.com (search: Jackets for Jobs) by April 20, 2017

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Career Mastered's
Michigan Advisory Board (2017)

Career Mastered's
Michigan Honoree (2016)



Proud Appointee to the 2017
National Association of Nonprofit
Organizations & Executives Board
of Governors (2016)



Top 10 Michigan Business
Women Awards (2016)



Guest of Tracy Reese Show
New York Fashion Week (2015)



Rang Closing Bell at
NASDAQ 2014)



Guest of Oprah's
"Life You Want" Tour (2014)



Women in Small Business
Summit Speaker (2016)



Alison Vaughn, Founder and CEO
Celebrating 17 years of Service



Goldman Sachs Scholar (2014)

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

"Alison Vaughn understands what it takes to be successful!
She leads by example, committed to empowering people
across the globe to look and feel their best."

*Camille, Executive Director Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small
Businesses, Detroit*

"I have known Alison since we were both fresh out of college
and she has always been passionate about empowering
women to their best lives."

*Shaun, Emmy Award-winning journalist,
TV Personality, Philanthropist and Author*

"Ms. Vaughn's approach to "sexy" success is the
quintessence of who she is; delightful, honest,
authentic, charming, savvy and efficacious. She is such
an inspirational role model, helping many change their
lives while achieving great success in her many roles
with elegant, style and class."

Csrole, M.Ed. Miss USA 1990



**RULE #1 OF LIFE
DO WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY**

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