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CV AMBER KELLEHER-ANDREWS

California, United States

BORN

ALMA MATER The American Conservatory Theater, San Francisco

EXPERIENCE

2022 Opening up our new KI Social Club

2012 Created our Philanthropic branch with special curated events

2001 Began our expansion w/ locations in New York/Dallas/Arizona - eventually taking us International

2000 Promoted to CEO of Kelleher International

1998 I became partners with my Mother, Jill Kelleher

1997 Opened up our second location in Beverly Hills, California

1995 Worked for my mother Jill as her receptionist

EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

» PRODUCTIVITY Manage your business. Manage your growth. Always Innovate.

» STRATEGY Core values. Flexibility. Adaptability.

» PROFITABILITY Stay ahead of the game with weekly, monthly, and quarterly financial goals.

Know your competition.

You have set the gold standard in upscale professional matchmaking since 1987. How do you continue to raise the bar to remain the global leader at the top of your game today?

Kelleher is the 'original' matchmaking AKA company. In the '80s, when my mom first opened our doors, people thought we made matchbook covers. We have come a long way.

As a company now in the 21st century, we continue to raise the bar when it comes to finding the one because this is a core value at Kelleher. As CEO, I wake up asking myself this very question and I believe this process alone is a great exercise for all business owners to go through. Having vision is important, taking risks whenever possible, pushing the envelope and staying optimistic is key. I also believe that being a family business that enjoys the opportunity to bring love to others is amazing. This joy for what we do has truly carried us for three decades and I feel as though we have just begun!

And having met your husband through the agency, how may your clients find Kelleher International membership to be absolutely indispensable to both their personal, and professional lives?

Aka As much as I would like to be an example of a Kelleher love story, I have never dated my clients and don't feel that would be ethical. I actually met my amazing husband 32 years ago at work when I lived in Los Angeles and was in the film industry. We have been in love and happily married ever since with 3 beautiful children. I try to lead by example and know first hand how important a loving partner is in your life and I wish this for everyone that comes to Kelleher.

With thirteen offices established globally, what are the ways in which your international presence may be particularly useful in delivering additional value to elite travellers who live in multiple cities?

Due to the high calibre of clientele that we Work with, many have multiple homes both within the US and in Europe. They fly by private Jet and can therefore meet anyone anywhere. Having representatives and boots on the ground in most of these major cities worldwide, allows us to meet these eligible singles face to face as part of the all important vetting process.

How has building what is now the largest and most successful matchmaking firm in

the United States, deepened your insight into the principal similarities and differences between successful businesses and marriages?

AKA Interesting question. There are many similarities between successful businesses and successful marriages. Both need attention to detail and should not be taken for granted.

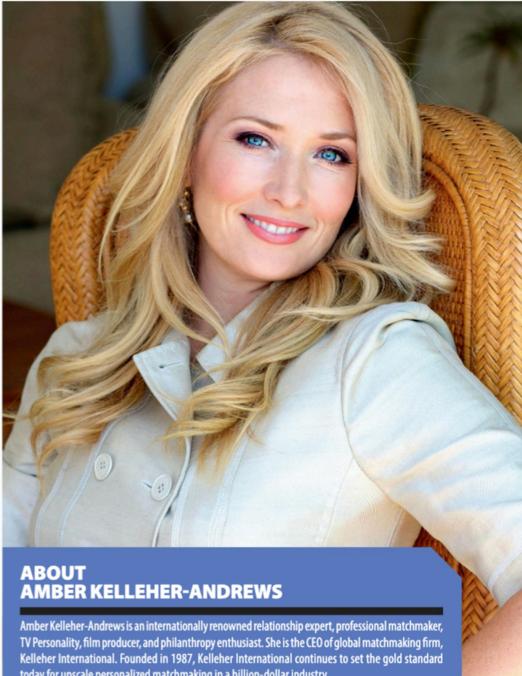
Nourishing both is what makes life easier and rewarding. The more involved, creative and inventive the better the business and/or marriage. Do your employees love what they do and do they feel appreciated? Are they involved in the decisions and the growth of the company? In a marriage, involvement and making decisions together, having time to listen to each other, and showing appreciation makes for a successful marriage. Differences are found in how we approach the above similarities.

My mom always says, "a happy wife is a happy life". Same with your business, "happy employees, happy business."

The relationship business is not just about profit. You are also fundamentally changing people's lives for the better. What have you learned about giving back to the community from fellow visionary, pioneer, and philanthropist Sir Richard Branson?

AKA Somewhere inside all of us is a desire to connect and contribute. So there is much that matchmaking and philanthropy share and

that is what I enjoy building on. My mother Jill Kelleher taught me the value and joy of giving. Even when we had little money, we were always striving to connect with and help others. As our family matchmaking firm expanded over the years, I was also mentored by many of our accomplished clients who have started and/or supported various philanthropic causes around the world. I wanted to learn from, and emulate these remarkable people. My challenge, in doing so, was to rethink, redesign and look at our business as a driving force for good. After all, we hold the most remarkable clientele globally who are passionate about life. Coupled with a low carbon footprint, no manufacturing facilities or vast numbers of people to employ, the light bulb went off. I was inspired to match my clients with passion projects. I began to challenge them to rethink their own businesses. It has actually had a huge impact that is now entering its tenth year. Collectively, Kelleher clients have raised hundreds of millions of dollars for impactful



today for upscale personalized matchmaking in a billion-dollar industry

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Continuously reinventing the company to roll with world changes such as 9/11, the recession and Covid.
- Most of all, bringing tens of thousands of people together in LOVE.
- Recognised for being best in class in A-list press
- Created core values that resonate with true
- Consistent growth year after year.

and media outlets.

love and purpose.

projects that make a significant difference in the world, with the humble goal of leaving this planet better than we found it.

Having developed an exemplary reputation for connecting the well-to-do, what is the most challenging thing you experience when working with busy, high-powered tycoons who can have- and can afford it all?

The challenge is to get our clientele to approach a "love relationship" differently than they might approach a business relationship. Just because you are successful in one relationship this doesn't transfer over. Working for tycoons and business moguls of the world, this reality can be a hard thing to hear and even more difficult to accept. However, the exciting part of this journey in

the subtle differences, the floodgates open up and the right person can come to you in record time.

working with Kelleher is that once you do learn

As one of America's most successful female entrepreneurs and global matchmaking leaders, what would you say to inspire the next generation of women who may have a passion for entrepreneurship?

AKA I guess I would say that it is important to love what you do and to find a way to always improve on it. There should never be a ceiling. Being a good listener is always important, be open to constructive feedback and keep your visions alive and nurtured. Don't take no for an answerever. For each step back, expect to spring forward and don't lose sight of your dreams. Don't be afraid to take risks.

Being *The Love Broker* to the world's rich and famous who can have any partner they so desire, what have you identified about the individual men and women that truly make them stand out among the crowd as exceptional longterm prospects for your members?

Kelleher specialises in exceptional singles. What makes them the exception is a list of qualities and characteristics that we look for when onboarding new members. First and foremost, they must be realistic with who they are and who they see themselves with. While this seems simplistic, you would be surprised how rare self awareness is. On-line dating profiles for example, are riddled with fake profiles, gold diggers and unrealistic people desperately searching for love. In stark contrast, Kelleher clients are emotionally aware because they have done work on themselves.

With a proven track record of positive testimonials, thousands of marriages and happy relationships later, what can successful business moguls, entrepreneurs, investors and High Net Worth individuals look forward to when working with you?

Clients of Kelleher can look forward to an extraordinary experience because they will be connected with some of the world's most eligible singles. We also transform lives through purposeful connection and love and these transformations are unique to each member. We offer tailored coaching packages with life plans addressing health, wellness, business and of course, your love life. We cannot guarantee ultimate success for everyone when it comes to finding your ultimate match but if you come in with an open mind, join us on our events, are optimistic and allow us to learn together with each introduction, it works. And you will in no doubt have a lot of fun along the way! **EG**

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