



# LIZA PAVLAKOS

Entrepreneur & Motivational Keynote Speaker

*From homelessness to successful entrepreneur, she speaks from the heart making a positive impact to lives, she drives entrepreneurs, corporate teams, leaders and women to aspire to excel, and to dare to be phenomenal.*

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## her story

Liza Pavlakos is a **motivational speaker**, business **mentor**, **entrepreneur**, **philanthropist**, **author** and supporter of **disadvantaged women**. From a very young age, she made the remarkable journey from a **homeless, abused teenager** to a self-made **millionaire entrepreneur**.

Aged 23, she pulled-off the daunting task of planning and staging a new international beauty pageant – the **Miss India International Pageant**, generating \$100k ticket sales in its first year. She took the plunge as a young, self-taught businesswoman, to take over and transform a struggling restaurant and bar, **Piccollo**, which became one of the most popular cafés in Melbourne. She similarly transformed **Finest Alterations**, a floundering clothing alteration and tailoring enterprise, into a profitable five-outlet franchise, which now attracts many celebrity clients.

She travels the world to mobilize everyone to “**discover the diamonds within**”, and to reach for their goals with confidence. Drawing on her own incredible story of resilience, she **inspires thousands** of people at various international events, and guides corporate teams to tap their **full leadership potential**.



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## key facts

Currently ...

- **Motivational Speaker**
- Founder & Counsellor - **Positive Breakthroughs** executive coaching
- **Group Managing Director & Franchisor**, **Finest Alterations Pty Ltd**,
- **Philanthropist** & Active Supporter of Disadvantaged Women

Formerly

- **Managing Director and Creative Director** of Miss India International in Melbourne (1994-2004)
- **Restaurant entrepreneur** in Melbourne
- Worked in **events management**
- Studied at **Swinburne University** of Technology and **William Angliss Institute** -- holds a Diploma in Franchising, and Diploma in Business Management and Certificates in Building Emotional Intelligence. Master Coach Certification with The Coaching Academy including a Diploma of Life Coaching NAT, Certificate IV in Life Coaching, ICF ACTP Credentialing and LCA NLP Coach Practitioner Certificate. She is a Qualified Psychotherapist and Transformational Executive Coach

Flies from **Melbourne**

Speaks to audiences in Australia, Asia, and around the world, addressing conferences, client forums and company meetings



### Sample speaking topics:

***Becoming by Overcoming*** -- Staying resilient in times of uncertainty

***Beyond Survival*** - Embracing life; Embracing Change.

***What's Your Narrative?*** Discover the power of your story

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## what people say

*Liza is a phenomenal speaker. Her keynote is actionable and life-changing. She inspires transformation.*

**Oberoi Hotels & Resorts**

*"We have nothing but positive reviews to offer about Liza. She is sincere, has the capacity to speak from the heart and engage participants ... She also presented an excellent one-day learning session – In Pursuit of Happiness – that captured the attention and hearts of all the delegates."*

JM Matienzo, President & CEO, **ARIVA! Events Management**

*"She is a remarkable inspirational speaker and business woman. I have been impressed with her approach to problem-solving, her perseverance, passion and commitment to social challenges. Her maturity and intellectual ability concerning leadership is refreshing, youthful, and positive."*

Dr Berhan Ahmed, Adjunct Professor, **University of Melbourne**

*Liza is an outstanding speaker. Her story inspires us to change for the betterment of our families, our teams and our clients.*

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