

When life gives you lemons, make lemonade. It's one of those annoying platitudes people say when something goes wrong. But what if those lemons come in the shape of 24 shards of bone driven into your brain after a car crash caused by a hit and run drunk driver? When your family is told there is only a 3% chance of recovery and only to a vegetative state if you do survive the night?

If you're Joan Miller you flip off the ICU doctor when he asks you to wiggle a finger and start the long fight back to a brand new life.

"Joan Miller's courage tenacity and willingness to overcome are second to none"

Bruce Wojciechowski, O.D., F.C.O.V.D.
Northwest EyeCare Professionals

An inspirational and empowering presentation which challenges us to recognize our own self-worth and connect with our ability to touch the lives of others through making positive choices. Joan's dynamic storytelling style mixes humor, spirit, and self-reflection.

"After Joan starts to tell a story you can feel the audience move from indifference to the realization that their choice to drink and drive could cause devastating injuries."

Janelle Lawrence
Executive Director of Oregon Impact

Joan Miller

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Reach inside yourself.

Everyone has something to offer.

It just takes the wisdom to make better choices.

"I was on a self-destructive path until I was almost killed by a hit-and-run drunk driver. Now, living with a Traumatic Brain Injury, I have been shown this is the life I was meant to live and how I can make a difference."



At the Rehabilitation Institute of Oregon, where her picture hangs in the lobby as a success story, Joan has volunteered in the gift shop, the flower cart, and the Healing Garden, sharing her story with families and patients. She is often asked by therapists and doctors to talk with those who are recovering from brain injuries, working as a mentor and showing that success is possible.

As a result of Joan's dedication, she received the 2014 St Mary's Academy Award for Overcoming Adversity.

Find Joan speaking at...

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- Municipalities
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DUII Diversion Program
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- Local and regional middle and high schools
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