

## BUZZWORTHY EVENTS:

PRAISE FROM SPONSORS & CLIENTS:



"EXCEPTIONALLY WELL RUN, FROM THE PRESENTERS TO THE EVENT SPACE, AND EVEN THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WHICH VIPS TO INVITE FOR LUNCH.

I HOPE TO...PARTNER WITH YOU ON FUTURE EVENTS!

— Mary Hamilton, Managing Director of Accenture Labs (Americas), Accenture Presenting Sponsor & Keynote Speaker for TechFire's Spring 2019 Conference



#### "CONGRATULATIONS ON A WONDERFUL EVENT"

— Kenji (Ken) Funahashi, Partner, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati (sponsor) WSGR has served as presenting sponsor for more than twenty of TechFire's events since 2014.



## "LOOKING FORWARD TO FUTURE COLLABORATIONS. ... YOU ARE DELIGHTFUL TO WORK WITH."

— Kiran Malhotra, Director of Venture Capital Relationships, Fenwick & West LLP Presenting Sponsor of TechFire's Spring 2019 Conference



"GREAT EVENT.... BIGGEST ONE FOR THE TECH OUTREACH GROUP THIS WHOLE YEAR."

— Mark Thomas, Product Manager, Google (hosted TechFire's Dec. 2016 event)

## MORE OF WHAT THEY'RE SAYING:

PRAISE FROM SPONSORS, SPEAKERS, AND ATTENDEES



#### "AN AWESOME AND SUCCESSFUL EVENT!"

— Marisa Ruiz, Lyft (Presenting Sponsor of TechFire's e-scooter summit at L.A. City Hall)



#### "THANKS FOR MAKING THE EVENT A BIG SUCCESS!

Great work attracting high-caliber speakers from Silicon Valley and SoCal, and drawing in a big crowd from across the region."

— Mark Scott, City Manager, City of Burbank (hired TechFire as a consultant to the City)

The City hired TechFire as a consultant to organize & host the 2015 Burbank Tech Summit,
then brought us back again in 2016 for four events.



#### "LOVED THE ENERGY IN THE ROOM!"

— Eric Feng, Partner, Kleiner Perkins Caufield and Byers (speaker)

Eric, the former CTO of Hulu and Flipboard and Chief of Staff to Al Gore, joined us for a fireside chat hosted by Google, and sponsored and moderated by Wilson Sonsini, attracting 425+ RSVPs.

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PRAISE FROM SPONSORS & CLIENTS:



#### "TRULY IMPRESSED... EXCELLENT JOB"

— Blake Mirkin, Executive Vice President, CBRE (sponsor)

CBRE, the world's biggest commercial real estate services firm, and a member of the Fortune 500, sponsored five TechFire events and advertised in our Guide to LA Tech.



#### "THANK YOU...IT WAS A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU."

— Alanna Spencer, Policy Events Manager, Spin (Ford Motor Company's scooter division) Program Sponsor of TechFire's 2019 conference

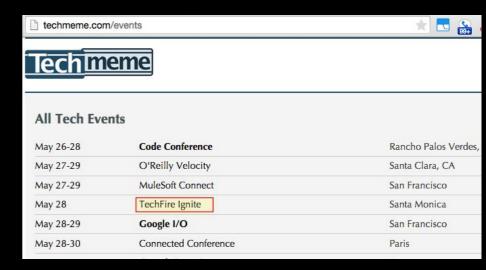


## "EXTREMELY INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE SESSION... -REALLY FASCINATING AND SUCH FANTASTIC SPEAKERS.

— James Cummings, Vice President, Business Development, London & Partners (the Mayor of London's economic development organization)

## OVERVIEW OF OUR EVENTS

 Featured in Techmeme's list of nationally- and internationallysignificant tech events alongside SXSW, CES, TechCrunch Disrupt, DLD, The Code Conference, etc.



- 45+ Events: conferences, fireside chats, panels, and other programs for TechFire & our clients.
- Thousands and thousands of registrants
- **top speakers** including founders of startups like **Aurora**, **HotelTonight**, **about.me**, and **Factual**, VCs from **Kleiner Perkins**, **SV Angel**, **Greylock**, **CRV**, **& Lightspeed**, CEOs who went on to billion-dollar exits (**Dollar Shave Club** and **BlackLine**), high level government officials, **and C-Level executives** from giants like **Warner Bros.** and **PBS**.
- Featured on national television: TechFire's Summit on the Self-Driving Car Revolution <u>aired in its entirety on national TV (C-SPAN)</u> in 2018.



TITANS OF TECH TECHFIRE'S SPEAKERS ALSO SPEAK AT TED, SXSW, TECHCRUNCH DISRUPT, WEB SUMMIT, & DLD.

TROY CARTER AT SXSW; BRANDEE BARKER AT DLD; CHRIS URMSON AT TED; TONY CONRAD AT WEB SUMMIT; TECHCRUNCH DISRUPT SPEAKER & CRUNCHIES AWARD WINNER SAM SHANK;



## OUR HISTORY

http://techfire.co • david@techfire.co 310.359.8955 • Founded: Los Angeles

#### FEATURED IN TECHMEME'S LIST OF NATIONALLY- & INTERNATIONALLY-SIGNIFICANT TECH EVENTS

Founded in 2013 and regarded as a tech conference powerhouse, TechFire has been recognized in the industry arbiter TechMeme's list of nationally- and internationally-significant tech conferences. TechFire's summit on the Self-Driving Car Revolution was broadcast on national television on C-SPAN. We have hosted 45+ events with thousands and thousands of registrants across both our own in-house events sponsored by Fortune 500 & industryleading giants, and award-winning events for consulting clients. Learn more at techfire.co

Who we are: TechFire is led by Founder/CEO David C. Murphy. Before TechFire, David founded and led a high-profile group funded by Elon Musk, the David Bohnett Foundation, Google, Uber, and Lyft, where David's work drove coverage by the New York Times, Good Morning America, Bloomberg, and the L.A. Times front page. David graduated from Claremont McKenna College, and in high school, cofounded Hotline Communications, whose chat software was used by millions of consumers and by companies like General Motors and Apple. The Toronto Star called Hotline "a major force in the online world" at the time. Active in policy and politics, at TechFire David has been tapped by the World Economic Forum to participate in working groups on the future of the internet and cybersecurity.



#### **FEATURING SPEAKERS FROM:**



























































#### **SPONSORS & CLIENTS**































## RECENT HIGHLIGHTS









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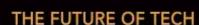














Shasta Ventures Nitin Chopra, Partner



Greycroft Mark Terbeek, Partner





Accenture Mary Hamilton, Managing Director, Accenture Labs

#### ECONOMIC FORECAST



LAEDC Dr. Somjita Mitra Director, Institute for Applied Economics

#### THE FUTURE OF MOBILITY



Spin Douglas Curl General Manager, LA



City of Los Angeles Councilman Mike Bonin Chair, Transportation Committee



City of Los Angeles Councilman Joe Buscaino (pending final confirmation)



Culver City Mayor Thomas Small



City of Santa Monica Anuj Gupta Deputy City Manager

TechFire has been featured in Techmeme's list of nationally-significant tech events.





## RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR SPONSOR LYFT, OUR SCOOTER SUMMIT — HOSTED AT CITY HALL BY LOS ANGELES MAYOR ERIC GARCETTI'S OFFICE — FEATURED A KEYNOTE BY THE HONORABLE ANTHONY FOXX, FORMER U.S. SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION UNDER PRESIDENT OBAMA.



#### THE HON. ANTHONY FOXX, LYFT



FORMER MAYOR OF CHAROLETTE, N.C.



SELETA REYNOLDS

GENERAL MANAGER
LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (LADOT)



THE HON. PAM O'CONNOR
COUNCILMEMBER & FORMER MAYOR,
CITY OF SANTA MONICA;
CHAIR, TRANSPORTATION &
INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE,
NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES





## INSIDE A TECHFIRE FIRESIDE CHAT



GOOGLE LA (FRANK GEHRY, ARCHITECT)

TURNOUT SET A RECORD FOR GOOGLE LA'S BIGGEST TECH OUTREACH EVENT

OF THE YEAR.

## A SAMPLING OF PAST SPEAKERS



SAM SHANK CO-FOUNDER & CEO **HOTELTONIGHT** 



**ERIC FENG** PARTNER **KLEINER PERKINS** 



JOSH ELMAN PARTNER **GREYLOCK PARTNERS** 



**BETH SEIDENBERG** PARTNER **KLEINER PERKINS** 



**TROY CARTER** CHAIRMAN/CEO ATOM FACTORY & SMASHD LABS



**FELD** CO-FOUNDER **TECHSTARS** MANAGING DIR. **FOUNDRY GROUP** 

BRAD



**CHRIS** URMSON FOUNDER/CEO, AURORA INNOVATION



LIEW PARTNER LIGHTSPEED **VENTURE PARTNERS** 



**THOMAS GEWECKE** CHIEF DIGITAL OFFICER & EVP WARNER BROS.



**HOWARD** MORGAN PARTNER FIRST ROUND CAPITAL



WILL HSU MANAGING PARTNER **MUCKER CAPITAL** 



**THERESE TUCKER** & CHAIRMAN BLACKLINE



BRAN **FERREN** FOUNDER, CEO CO-FOUNDER/CHIEF CREATIVE OFFICER APPLIED MINDS



**CASEY** WINTERS GROWTH ADVISOR IN RESIDENCE **GREYLOCK PARTNERS** 



**GREG BETTINELLI** PARTNER UPFRONT **VENTURES** 



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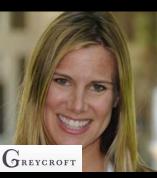
UPFRONT

**VENTURES** 

TONY CONRAD CEO & FOUNDER. ABOUT.ME PARTNER, TRUE VENTURES



**MICHAEL** DUBIN CO-FOUNDER/ CEO **DOLLAR SHAVE** CLUB



DANA **SETTLE** FOUNDING PARTNER **GREYCROFT PARTNERS** 



**FACTUAL** 

CODY GIL SIMMS **ELBAZ** PARTNER FOUNDER/ **TECHSTARS** CEO



**ERIK** RANNALA MANAGING PARTNER

MUCKER CAPITAL

Mucker Capital



**JOSH** YGUADO CO-FOUNDER & **PRESIDENT** 

JAM CITY



IRA RUBENSTEIN CHIEF DIGITAL AND MARKETING OFFICER PBS



**TED** SCHILOWITZ **FUTURIST IN** RESIDENCE,

PARAMOUNT PICTURES



U.S. SENATOR **GARY PETERS** CO-LEAD SPONSOR, **AV START ACT** (BY VIDEO)

## PAST SPEAKERS (CONTINUED)



















MITRA BEST U.S. INNOVATION LEADER & NEW **VENTURES** PRINCIPAL, PWC

TX**ZHUO** PARTNER FIKA **VENTURES** 

**MICHAEL YANOVER HEAD OF BUSINESS** DEVELOPMENT, CREATIVE

ARTISTS AGENCY

MARK **TERBEEK** PARTNER **GREYCROFT VENTURES** 

LAURENT **GRILL** VENTURE LEAD LUMA LAUNCH

JUAN **BRUCE** FOUNDING PARTNER **DOWNEY VENTURES** 

ANNIE KADAVY GENERAL PARTNER. CHARLES RIVER **VENTURES (CRV)** 

**MORBITZER** VP, CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT GODADDY

**ANDREW** 

DAVID SIEMER MANAGING PARTNER WAVEMAKER **PARTNERS** 



PAM **ALLISON** DIRECTOR OF DIGITAL INITIATIVES WARNER BROS. **TECHNOLOGY** 



**BRYCE MADDOCK** CO-FOUNDER & CEO **TASKUS** 



**MICHAEL** CARNEY INVESTOR UPFRONT **VENTURES** 



**PAIGE CRAIG** MANAGING PARTNER ARENA **VENTURES** 



**HEIDI KING ACTING** ADMINISTRATOR, NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY **ADMINISTRATION** 



COUNCILMAN MIKE BONIN TRANSPORTATION CHAIR LOS ANGELES **CITY COUNCIL** 



DAVID LEE MANAGING PARTNER **SV ANGEL** 



DAN **MOREHEAD** FOUNDER & CEO **PANTERA** CAPITAL



ANGEL **INVESTOR** 

**LEIDS** 



**AARON** 

HIRSCHHORN

CO-FOUNDER &

CEO

**DOGVACAY** 

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**ARTEEN ARABSHAHI** VICE PRESIDENT FIKA VENTURES



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**RACHAEL** R. BRANDON KING SOKOL CO-FOUNDER CORPORATE **ELLEPHANT** DEVELOPMENT MEDIA TRIBUNE MEDIA



**BRANDEE BARKER** CO-FOUNDER / PARTNER

COLLECTIVE

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DAVE GOLDBERG CEO, SURVEYMONKEY DAVE GOLDBERG TRAGICALLY PASSED

AWAY IN MAY 2015. HE HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT TECHFIRE IGNITE; WE DEDICATED THE EVENT IN HIS MEMORY, & SPEAKERS SHARED REFLECTIONS ON LESSONS WE CAN LEARN FROM HIS EXAMPLE

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## PAST ATTENDEES

JUST A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM PAST EVENTS:







































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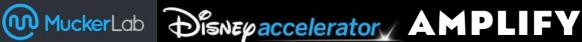














































































































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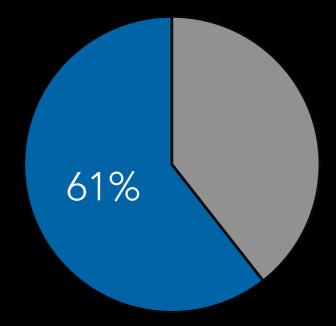




## ATTENDEE PROFILE

### **PAST EVENT PROFILE:**

 Breakdown of the 400+ registrants at a TechFire Ignite Summit:



**61% Total Senior-Level Executives** 

(CEOs + Other C-Level + Founder + VP + Director)

## 45+ EVENTS: A TIMELINE

#### WITH MANY MORE TO COME!

#### 2019:

- Spring summit sponsored by Accenture, Fenwick, Ford (Spin), and SCAG, featuring Shasta, Greylock, and more
- WSGR-sponsored Fireside Chat with a VC from Index
- DLA Piper-sponsored event with CAA's Michael Yanover
- The Future of AR/VR/MR, at Microsoft Playa Vista, funded by the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority
- Burbank Tech Talks events on subjects like raising VC funding, AR/VR, and women in entrepreneurship.
- Startup Pitch Festival funded by the City of Burbank

#### 2018:

- A scooter summit sponsored by Lyft, hosted by the Mayor's Office at LA City Hall, featuring former US Secretary of Transportation Anthony Foxx and more
- Events mobility and AR/VR in partnership with WSGR
- Burbank Tech Summit (March 6): sold-out (400+ RSVPs).
   Speakers: Paramount Pictures' Futurist in Residence, PBS' Chief Digital & Marketing Officer, and many more from Warner Bros., UCLA Health and beyond.
- Startup.Burbank Pitch Festival and **Burbank Tech Talks**
- and the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (our consulting client) at Microsoft LA





#### 2017:

- Summit on the Self-Driving Car Revolution: broadcast on national TV by C-SPAN and hosted atop Los Angeles City Hall by Mayor Eric Garcetti's office, this standing-room only summit featured many of the nation's leading autonomous vehicle experts, including Chris Urmson, Heidi King, U.S. Senator Gary Peters, Bran Ferren, and more.
- The Road to Series A: a four-event series, sponsored by WSGR and hosted by Google and Luma Pictures, featuring panels/presentations on product/market fit, seed funding, growth marketing, and building a team, with speakers like Greylock's Casey Winters.
- Burbank Tech Talks: an expanded lineup of eight events, featuring speakers like Warner Bros. Chief Digital
   Officer Thomas Gewecke, PwC's U.S. innovation leader
   Mitra Best, Creative Artists Agency's Michael Yanover, and others from companies like Uber and WeWork.

#### 2016:

- Four Fireside Chats sponsored by WSGR with speakers such as Kleiner Perkins partner Eric Feng, Factual Founder/CEO Gil Elbaz, and more.
- Four Burbank Tech Talks on behalf of our client, the City of Burbank

## EVENT TIMELINE — CONTINUED

#### 2015:

- TechFire Ignite Summit (Santa Monica)
  - featured in Techmeme Events' list of nationally & internationally significant tech events alongside Recode's Code Conference, WSJ DLive, South by Southwest (SXSW), & TechCrunch Disrupt.
  - featuring speakers from Silicon Valley & L.A. such as Sam Shank (HotelTonight),
     Tony Conrad (About.me & True Ventures), angel Paige Craig, and many more
  - 400+ registrants (standing-room-only!)
  - Sponsors: EY, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, BlackLine, CBRE
- Four Fireside Chats
  - Sponsors: EY, CBRE, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati (WSGR), j2 Global (NASDAQ: JCOM), etc.
  - Speakers: Greg Bettinelli & Kara Nortman (Upfront Ventures), Mark Mullen (Double M), and David Siemer (Wavemaker/Siemer & Associates)
  - Hosted by Google, Microsoft, and WeWork.

#### 2015 (continued):

- Events for Consulting Clients:
  - WSGR / Wharton | San Francisco / Wilson Sonsini joint event.
  - City of Burbank: Burbank Tech Summit (sold out two weeks in advance). Featuring speakers from Charles River Ventures, Techstars, et al.





#### 2014:

- Six Fireside Chats with speakers like Troy Carter (Atom Factory), Brad Feld (Techstars/Foundry Group), Josh Elman (Greylock), David Lee (SV Angel), Dana Settle (Greycroft), etc.
- TechFire Ignite Summit (at UCLA Anderson School of Management's Korn Hall) with speakers like Dollar Shave Club's Michael Dubin, Kleiner Perkins' Beth Seidenberg, Mucker Capital's Will Hsu, and more.
- Sponsors: Deloitte, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich
   & Rosati (WSGR), j2 Global, & more

## SPONSORS & CONSULTING CLIENTS

TECHFIRE IS TRUSTED BY FORTUNE 500 AND INDUSTRY-LEADING COMPANIES, AND GOVERNMENTS.



The premier legal advisor to technology firms, including clients such as Google, Twitter, LinkedIn, Netflix, Tesla, Amazon.com, Square, Spotify, Salesforce, Adobe, Tencent, etc.

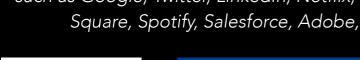


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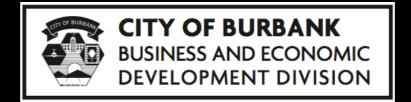
Two of the **Big Four** Professional Services Firms

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The world's biggest commercial real estate services firm.













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PLUS: BURBANK TECH SUMMIT SPONSORS (PAID TO OUR CLIENT, THE CITY OF BURBANK):





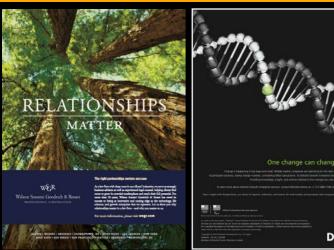




ADS IN TECHFIRE EVENT PROGRAMS & PUBLICATIONS

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**Empower Results** 



















GOOGLE LA IN 2016.





WILSON SONSINI (R) AFTER HE MODERATED A FIRESIDE CHAT.

SEEING THE FIRM'S EXPERTISE IN ACTION AT OUR EVENTS.

NUMEROUS ATTENDEES HAVE TOLD US THEY HIRED WSGR AFTER

PARAMOUNT PICTURES' FUTURIST IN RESIDENCE TED SCHILOWITZ, KEYNOTING OUR 2018 BURBANK TECH SUMMIT.





POLICY BRANDEE BARKER, INTERVIEWED BY FORMER GATES

FOUNDATION HEAD OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS TREVOR NEILSON,

PRESIDENT OF GLOBAL PHILANTHROPY GROUP.

PARTNER AT CHARLES RIVER VENTURES (CRV).





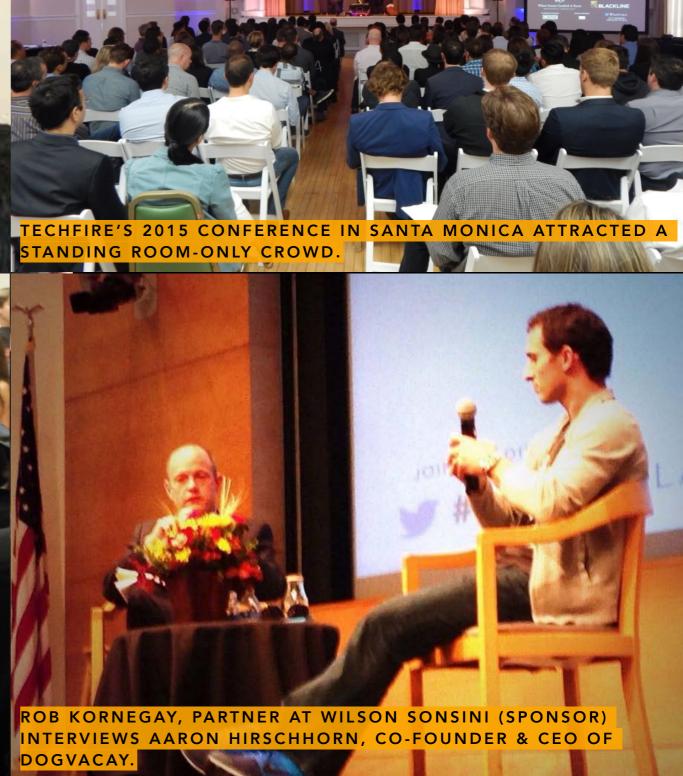


COMPANY, SPEAKS AT OUR BURBANK TECH SUMMIT.











SUPER-ANGEL PAIGE CRAIG, PICTURED AT CENTER), TALKS BACKSTAGE WITH ROB KORNEGAY (L) AND VIK LAKHWARA (R) OF WILSON SONSINI.



TECHFIRE IGNITE SUMMIT 2014, HELD AT UCLA ANDERSON

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT'S BIGGEST VENUE, KORN

CONVOCATION HALL.

TECHFIRE

ERIK RANNALA (MUCKER CAPITAL) & JOSH YGUADO (JAM CITY)

MODERATOR: PATRICK ANDING (WSGR)

SPECIAL THANKS TO GOOGLE FOR HOSTING TONIGHT'S EVENT

W&R Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION



OUR SPRING 2017 ROAD TO SERIES A EVENT, HOSTED BY GOOGLE LA, FEATURED A DISCUSSION ON PRODUCT/MARKET FIT.



A BURBANK TECH TALKS PRESENTATION ON "STARTUP LAW 101" WITH WSGR'S PATRICK ANDING & KYLE FUNN.

# TECHFIRE'S **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING PRACTICE** LEVERAGES OUR EXPERTISE & RELATIONSHIPS TO HELP CITIES ATTRACT HIGH-GROWTH TECH STARTUPS.

TechFire is trusted by economic development officials to help attract high-growth tech startups and grow the local tech economy. Leveraging our history as a leading tech conference producer, and our experience bridging the worlds of startups and economic development policy, we consult on economic development strategy, and organize programs and events that help grow the local startup community.

Serving clients across the nation, such as **The Fairfax County Economic Development Authority** (the largest non-state economic development authority in the nation), TechFire first spearheaded our public sector consulting practice at the request of the **City of Burbank** which hired us to leverage our experience as a leading convener of tech conferences and publisher of the **L.A. Tech Agenda** economic development report, praised by the L.A. Mayor's head of tech economic development and by L.A.'s CTO. Burbank was so happy with our work they have brought us back for four more successive contract renewals (so far!), and our Burbank Tech Talks won the city an **award from the California Association for Local Economic Development.** 

We advise cities on strategy and lead the implementation, leveraging our deep relationships with Silicon Valley venture capital investors and others to recruit prominent speakers to come speak at events that build a buzz in the local startup community. We leverage our marketing experience to turn out a big crowds, and host the events themselves.

#### CLIENT CASE STUDY: CITY OF BURBANK, CA

"A Big Success ... Great work" – Burbank City Manager Mark Scott 2016 Award of Merit, California Assn. for Local Economic Development

Burbank first hired TechFire in 2015 to organize a Burbank Tech Summit, and based on the success of our work for the City (with the summit selling out more than two weeks in advance), the

City expanded and renewed our consulting contract in 2016, 2017, and 2018 to organize numerous Burbank Tech Talks events and another summit. The series won an award from the California Association for Local Economic Development. We recruited prominent speakers such as Warner Bros.' Chief Digital Officer & EVP, an investor from a leading Silicon Valley venture capital firm, the Head of Techstars' Disney Accelerator, and executives from successful Burbank startups. Our consulting services include advising on tech economic development strategy, event planning, leveraging our relationships to recruit high-profile speakers, outreach to press & partners, using our mailing lists and marketing expertise to attract big crowds, and hosting the events on stage.











### CONSULTING HIGHLIGHTS: BURBANK

Warner Bros. Chief Digital Officer & Executive Vice President Thomas Gewecke spoke at Burbank Tech Talks in July 2017, TechFire's ninth event since 2015 as a tech economic development consultant for the City of Burbank. With Gewecke's having oversight of strategy & digital for a \$12 billion global giant, there was much to discuss!







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NETWORKING IS A BIG PART OF OUR EVENTS AS WELL.

## AWARD-WINNING STRATEGIES

RECOGNIZED BY THE CALIFORNIA ASSN. FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

THE CITY OF BURBANK, A TECHFIRE CLIENT, WON AN AWARD FOR BURBANK TECH TALKS (WHICH TECHFIRE PLANS & HOSTS).





#### Burbank Wins Economic Development Awards

By Carol Lawrence

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

"The city of Burbank has won three awards for economic development efforts last year in a statewide competition. The city's business and economic development division won three awards of merit in three categories...from the **California Association for Local Economic Development.** ...

Burbank Tech Talks [which TechFire plans & hosts as a consultant to the City] won the programs award. The four-part speaker series that launched in September was aimed at entrepreneurs, and created a networking environment that promoted and grew startup industries engaged in technology, media, biotech and clean technology. Burbank Tech Talks grew out of the Burbank Tech Summit in November 2015 with more than 180 businesses."









For more info, see the full article, and the City's news release.

FAIRFAX COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

#### FAIRFAX IN LOS ANGELES (2018 & 2019)

The Fairfax County [Virginia] Economic Development Authority (FCEDA) is the largest non-state economic development authority in the nation.

FCEDA selected TechFire as a consultant to organize and host marketing events in Los Angeles in 2018 & 2019 to promote Fairfax to tech entrepreneurs in California. The 2018 event was hosted by Microsoft in Playa Vista.



# FAIRFAX COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THE POWER OF IDEAS

The Power of Ideas drives the success of Fairfax County's \$120 billion economy. Fairfax County's business community is at the forefront of one of the strongest economies in the world. Along with its well-known strengths in government and defense technology, the county has large and growing numbers of commercial IT, financial, software, communications and technology management service providers.









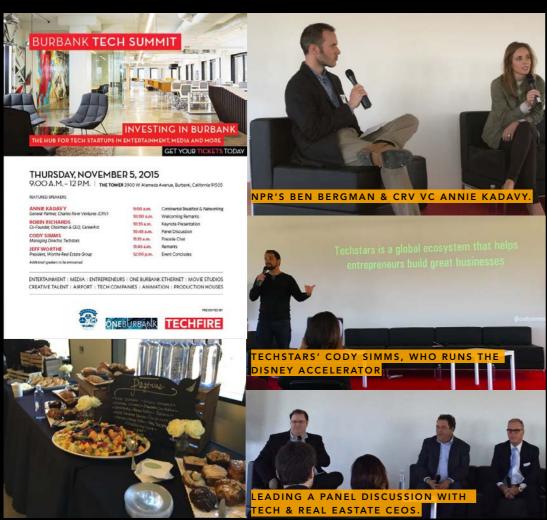




CITY OF BURBANK

#### BURBANK TECH SUMMIT (2015)

The City of Burbank hired TechFire to recruit speakers & attendees for a successful 2015 Burbank Tech Summit. The event sold-out (250+) more than a week in advance, and featured speakers from The Walt Disney Co & Techstars' Disney Accelerator, Charles River Ventures, a panel, and a moderator from NPR / Marketplace. In 2016 Burbank had us build on the momentum (see next slide).



"A Big Success ... Great work"

- Burbank City Manager Mark Scott

Ios Angeles Times Burbank Leader Burbank 'tech summit' attracts visitors near and far



CITY OF BURBANK (CONTINUE

#### BURBANK TECH TALKS (2016 - 2018)

Based on the success of our 2015 consulting work, the City of Burbank's Community Development Department expanded and renewed TechFire's consulting contract, retaining us in 2016 and again in 2017 and 2018 to organize a series of fifteen Burbank Tech Talks events, and a second Burbank Tech Summit. These **Burbank Tech Talks** directly implemented the request by a speaker at the first Burbank Tech Summit for a series of networking events to help foster the tech community. Each monthly event features networking, lunch, and a speaker sharing advice on topics like raising venture capital, or marketing your company. TechFire planned event topics, invited speakers, turned out a crowd, and moderated the discussions at each event. Burbank Tech Talks won an award from the California Association for Local Economic Development.













What's Next in Tech: Trends Shaping the Future in 2018 & Beyond

The City of Burbank, in partnership with TechFire, is featuring a discussion on future tech trends with Creative Artists Agency's Michael Yanover Michael Yanover is the Head of the Business Development for CAA the world's leading entertainment and sports agency, where he oversees CAA Ventures and CAA Start-ups, and serves as a board member of CAA's new Creative Labs. Yanover is also a co-Founder of Funny or Die, and WhoSay. Join us for networking and a high-powered discussion as we explore the trends that will shape 2018 and beyond!

SPEAKER | Michael Yanover

Head of Business Development, Creative Artists Agency

DATE | TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017 LOCATION

Simmzy's Restaurant @ The Loft 3000 W Olive Ave. Burbank, CA 91505

11:30am | networking and lunch

A complimentary buffet lunch will be provided

12:30

RSVP burbanktechtalks-dec2017.eventbrite.com

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818.238.5180 • www.burbankusa.com City of Burbank's Community Development Department







TECHFIRE









WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSAT

#### JOINT WILSON SONSINI - WHARTON | SAN FRANCISCO EVENT





Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION





#### Tuesday, January 13, 2015

The Digital Revolution in Retail Marketing: Consumer Emotions, Digital Joy and How to Win the Hearts and Minds of Your Customers

Featuring

#### Patti Williams

Ira A. Lipman Associate Professor of Marketing The Wharton School

#### Jim Stuart

Chairman and Founder, PIRCH

The pace of change in the retail sector is not only accelerating, it remains difficult to decide where it is headed. Combining their academic and practical perspectives, Professor Williams and Mr. Stuart will share their perspectives on traditional retail moving into e-commerce, on ecommerce pursuing new storefronts and a generation of shoppers seeking meaning and purpose. Join us for a lively discussion on bringing emotion to the retail frontier and on the trends shaping the next chapter of the digitally empowered consumer.

#### **Fairmont Miramar Hotel**

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5 p.m. - Registration 5:30 p.m. - Program 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Networking Reception Wilson Sonsini, the leading law firm serving the tech sector, paid TechFire to help with a joint Wilson Sonsini -Wharton | San Francisco event on the Digital Revolution in Retail Marketing, featuring Wharton marketing professor Patti Williams and Jim Stuart, Founder & Chairman of PIRCH, a retail chain named to the 2015 Forbes list of America's Most Promising Companies.









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- spearheading & hosting a **CEO Summit** at the City Club that was praised in a dedicated editorial by the editor of the LA Business Journal
- organizing major business forecast conferences & other annual events for one of L.A.'s most powerful business groups (the Valley Industry & Commerce Association), featuring top elected officials & business leaders
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In addition to events, TechFire produces reports, and we're available to write and design reports and publications for our consulting clients as well. Our economic development report, the *L.A. Tech Agenda*, drew widespread praise & already many recommendations have been implemented by L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti. Read the L.A. Tech Agenda at **techfire.co/read-the-report**. And view our 2015 *Guide to LA Tech* at **techfire.co/guide-to-la-tech** 





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