OUR HILARIOUS & HEARTWARMING FUNDRAISING EVENT IS BACK!

Media Kit & Pitch

Friday, September 29, 2023, 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
The Grand Event and Conference Center
For over 10 years, Give Mom the Mic has entertained a sold-out crowd of Central Ohioans who care deeply about mental health.

Coming back for the first time post-pandemic, this heart-warming comedy show combines real life, inspiring stories of mental health and postpartum depression with a hilarious, quick-witted professional entertainer who can speak to the raw truths of motherhood.

Every year we gain more followers who know Give Mom the Mic as a fun night out with appetizers, drinks, and a lot of laughter—all in the name of connection, awareness and encouragement.

Our Speakers

**Headliner: Jen Mann**

Jen Mann is best known for the New York Times bestseller *People I Want to Punch in the Throat: Competitive Crafters, Drop-Off Despots, and Other Suburban Scourges*, which was a Finalist for a Goodreads Choice Award. She is also the mastermind behind the New York Times bestselling *I Just Want to Pee Alone* series. She started her career as the creator of the wildly popular and hysterical blog, *People I Want to Punch in the Throat*. She has been described by many of her 1+ million social media followers as Erma Bombeck—with f-bombs. Jen is known for her hilarious rants and funny observations on everything from parenting to gift-giving to celebrity behavior to politics to Elves on Shelves. Jen is a married mother of two children whom she calls Gomer and Adolpha in her writings—she swears their real names are actually worse.

**Emcee: Ann Fisher**

Ann retired from daily journalism in May after a nearly 40-year career capped by her roles as host and executive producer of All Sides with Ann Fisher, a daily public affairs talk show on WOSU 89.7 NPR News. She was a reporter, editor, editorial writer and finally metro columnist for The Columbus Dispatch. Before that she covered state government and politics for The (Toledo) Blade. Ann lives in Worthington with her husband.

Event Details

- Delicious food
- Beverages/bar
- Silent auction
- Wine toss
- Mission Moment
- Meet the talent

**Order of the evening:**
Silent Auction* Introduction * intermission * Comedy Actn & Q&A

*Ann has hosted Give Mom the Mic since its infancy, and we are grateful for her continued commitment to the success of this event!
**About MHAOhio**

**Proceeds from Give Mom the Mic**

Support Our Programs

- **Support groups** – 30+ groups offered each month for individuals and families dealing with a mental illness
- **Pro-Bono Counseling** – Free counseling for those who can’t afford it or are on a provider’s waiting list
- **Get Connected** – Links individuals with the community programs, services, and resources they need
- **Family Advocate** – Supports family members of someone with a mental illness
- **POEM** – Perinatal Outreach and Encouragement for Moms – our peer-based comprehensive perinatal mental health program
- **Peer Recovery Supporter** – Uplifts certified peer supporters to help others
- **Mental Health First Aid** – Teaches individuals how to identify and respond to someone having a mental health crisis
- **Occumetrics** – A workplace health assessment to help employers increase retention and employee satisfaction

Learn more at MHAOhio.org/programs

**Mental Health America of Ohio (MHAOhio) is a 501c(3) nonprofit. We transform how people think about mental illness, make it easier to get help, and give people the support they need to get better and stay better.**

**What our Clients are Saying**

I thank the POEM Program every day for their help with becoming the best mom I can be. I also have a place where I can always turn when things become overwhelming.

This (Get Connected) program has helped me feel better about myself and more in control of my life.

There were times I thought I could not go on. My therapist is the best support—it was a perfect fit. Your whole organization—what you are doing is for the good.

This group keeps me from isolating. I relate to people’s struggles and I like to hear victories and successes when people share.
As a member of our local media, you can help us spread the word about Give Mom the Mic and MHAOhio's programs by:

**Interviewing our Associate Director**

Possible interview questions:
- What is the purpose of the event?
- What kind of entertainment will there be?
- How many years have you been hosting Give Mom the Mic?
- Who has benefitted from Give Mom the Mic proceeds?
- Who should buy tickets?
- How can someone learn more about Give Mom the Mic and purchase tickets?

**Attending Give Mom the Mic**

- Bring your crew and broadcast live from the event
- Help us spread the word about our mental health services

**Including a segment about Give Mom the Mic in your broadcast/digital platform**

- Provide details about the event
- Share how to get involved and purchase tickets
- Discuss who benefits

**Ready to schedule an interview?**

Contact Laurie Zinn, Director of Marketing and Development at lzinn@mhaohio.org or 614-965-1803

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