



*Please join us in charting*

# *New Directions*

*for homeless families*



## *Sail into Spring*

*luncheon and fashion show*

Rescheduled for:  
Thursday, May 13, 2010

*The Boston Harbor Hotel, Rowes Wharf, Boston, MA*



Benefiting the COMPASS *for homeless families* program



# Program

## Janet Wu, Emcee

**Janet Wu** has been a general assignment reporter and anchor on 7NEWS since 1996. A published writer, she is also a lecturer at colleges and universities in and around Boston. Janet works closely with a number of local non-profit organizations that address issues close to her heart. She holds a bachelors degree from Yale University, and earned her masters degree at Columbia University's Graduate Schools of Journalism and International Affairs. Wu is currently a candidate for a second masters degree in literature and creative writing at Harvard University.

## Keynote: Yolanda Taylor

**Yolanda Taylor**, a COMPASS for kids Board Member and a retired portfolio manager at Fidelity Select Brokerage and Investment Management Portfolio, has recently published her memoir, *Take Me Back to Redway*. This poignant work in part recounts her childhood experiences of homelessness. *Take Me Back to Redway* juxtaposes the challenges Yolanda's single father and she faced with the substantially different, and somewhat surprising challenges she is facing raising her four young children with her husband in Lexington, MA.



## Jana Kos, Founder Jana Kos Style Partners Inc., Fashions

**Jana Kos** is a renowned designer of women's luxury apparel, only available through direct sales. Jana has more than 25 years in the fashion industry and created her own label in 2008, launching the company that bears her name and follows her passion "to create unique fashions that enhance a woman's persona best." Jana lives in Westchester, NY with her husband and twin boys.  
[www.janakos.com](http://www.janakos.com)

## S. King Collection, Jewelry

S. King is a collection of statement making couture jewelry from the world's most talented designers and artisans, assembled by Stacy King. [www.skkingcollection.com](http://www.skkingcollection.com)

## Beacons for Homeless Families Awards

Honoring individuals making a difference to homeless families in Massachusetts – and beyond – day in and day out.

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of despair and endless possibilities for the



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11:30 am Reception and Marketplace

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch and Program

1:30 pm Marketplace

*The Wharf Room, The Boston Harbor Hotel, Rowes Wharf, Boston*

*Featuring:*

Janet Wu, Channel 7, emcee

Fashion by Jana Kos

Jewelry from the S. King Collection

Yolanda Taylor, author of *Take Me Back to Redway*

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**COMPASS for kids** provides education and support that improves the skills and transforms the perspectives of the adults and institutions that matter most to children.

**COMPASS for homeless families** is a program of COMPASS for kids that works to end family homelessness. We collaborate with public and private organizations, businesses and individuals to provide high impact services and supports that promote family self-sufficiency and stability in housing for homeless and at-risk children and their families.

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