



Jackie Gingrich Cushman

Known for her ability to synthesize major news events and ordinary life happenings into a unique perspective that rings with authenticity, Jackie Gingrich Cushman connects with her audience through both hearts and minds. Cushman inspires audiences to live their best life. Jackie encourages her audience to fulfill their God-given potential by being true to themselves and living their best life.

Having campaigned twice and lost before her father won a congressional race, Cushman understands and can convey the importance of dreaming big and working hard through failure. As founder of the Learning Makes a Difference Foundation, which tests innovative learning programs to help struggling students learn they can learn, she knows the importance of learning every day. By helping lead Genesis: A New Life, a homeless shelter for newborn babies and their families, in a \$5 million capital campaign, she has learned the value of giving to others.

Cushman is passionate about improving the world her two children will inherit and endeavors to inspire others to learn, love and live their lives successfully. As a nationally syndicated columnist for Creators Syndicate, Jackie presents an authentic, bold, conservative view that extracts simplicity from complexity, genuineness from aloofness, and presents true, vivid and comprehensive images of situations.

Noted by the *Washington Times* for her “considerable talent” in writing, Jackie’s outlook and opinions are highly entertaining, inspirational and thought-provoking. Audiences of community leaders, educators, entrepreneurs and executives are captured by her fresh ideas, friendly style and quick wit.

Jackie’s latest book, *The Essential American: 25 Documents and Speeches that Every American Should Own*, provides insight and analysis into the speeches that make up our great nation’s history. Her first book, *5 Principles for a Successful Life: From Our Family to Yours*, was co-authored with her father, Newt Gingrich. Their book focuses on the principles that Jackie follows in her daily life: Dream Big, Work Hard, Learn Every Day, Enjoy Life and Be True to Yourself.

Jackie’s work has been cited on the *Today Show*, *New York Magazine*, *USA Today*, and the *Washington Times*. She has appeared on ABC’s “Good Morning America,” CNN’s “Campbell Brown,” “The 700 Club,” Fox News Channel’s “Fox and Friends,” “The O’Reilly Factor,” “The Sean Hannity Show,” “The Strategy Room,” “On the Record with Greta Van Susteren,” “Geraldo at Large,” “The Huckabee Show” and “Squeeze Play” on Canada’s Business News Network.



Cushman's non-profit activities include having served on The Georgia Advisory Council for the Trust for Public Land. She currently serves on the Advisory Board of Genesis: A New Life, and the Advisory Board of the Alliance Theatre. She is founder and chairman of the board of the Learning Makes a Difference Foundation.

Jackie lives in Atlanta with her husband Jimmy Cushman, Jr., and their children. Jackie graduated cum laude from Presbyterian College in Clinton, S.C. She received her MBA from Georgia State University in Atlanta and holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.