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From Vision to Venture: Ignite Bermuda Launches 11th Accelerator Cohort

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Ignite Bermuda welcomes applications for its 11th Entrepreneurial Accelerator, featuring two tracks - the Core Programme and Fuel Your Ambition Series, inviting Bermuda's innovators to take the next step in building and scaling impactful start-ups. Applications open on Monday, April 6th and close on Friday, April 24th 2026, on the Ignite website, www.ignitebermuda.com.

As a data-led accelerator, Ignite Bermuda demonstrates measurable impact, with participants going on to launch and grow businesses, create jobs, and contribute to Bermuda's economic development.

The Fuel Your Ambition Series prepares early-stage entrepreneurs by strengthening their leadership, strategic thinking, and decision-making skills, enabling them to advance their ideas and fully leverage opportunities such as the Core Programme.

Building on this foundation, the Core Programme is focused on helping Bermudian founders move from validated ideas to real traction. Through targeted workshops, strategic mentorship, and access to critical resources, participants refine their business models, strengthen market positioning, and accelerate measurable progress.

Together, these two five-month tracks support startup founders, social entrepreneurs, and innovators across key industries, including the blue economy, healthcare, technology, and community-based enterprise.

Ignite Bermuda continues to cultivate a strong and inclusive entrepreneurial ecosystem. As part of its commitment to shaping a more resilient and innovative Bermuda through locally driven solutions, the programme is again collaborating with the Bermuda Ocean Prosperity Programme and the Bermuda Health Council to encourage applications from entrepreneurs working within the blue economy and healthcare sectors.

The Blue Economy focuses on the responsible use of ocean resources to promote economic growth, employment, and environmental sustainability. Bermuda's strategy supports initiatives such as sustainable fisheries, marine tourism, renewable energy, and ocean-based technologies.

The Bermuda Health Council welcomes innovators developing solutions that address non-communicable diseases, mental health challenges, and the evolving needs of Bermuda's ageing population.



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Open House – April 15th 2026

Prospective applicants are encouraged to attend an Open House on April 15th at 5pm at the Ignite Hub on Wesley Street. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet the Ignite team and alumni to gain insight into the accelerator experience.

RSVP by emailing hello@ignitebermuda.com.

Since launching in 2019, Ignite Bermuda has supported more than 600 entrepreneurs, contributing to job creation and fostering innovation across the island. The Core Programme participants benefit from access to a modern co-working space, expert-led workshops, personalised enablement sessions, and an established mentorship network.

Entrepreneurs ready to advance their ventures are encouraged to apply between **April 6th and April 24th** at www.ignitebermuda.com.

The impact of the Ignite experience is best reflected by its alumni, many of whom credit the programme with strengthening both their businesses and their leadership capacity.

"The Ignite Business Accelerator has strengthened my professional development, business growth and client service by helping me refine my workflow and improve operational efficiencies, allowing me to deliver a more intentional and responsive experience. Equally inspiring has been the chance to meet and engage with a community of fellow entrepreneurs who are bravely and passionately pursuing their dreams of creating and developing businesses that have the potential to contribute in varying ways to Bermuda and beyond." - Sue Rebello, Cohort 10 Core Member and selected Resident Advisor for the successful applicants of the Cohort 11 Core Programme.

Recognising our Cohort 10 Entrepreneurs

Ignite Bermuda recently celebrated the successful completion of Cohort 10, recognising the following entrepreneurs for their achievement:

Alexandra Amat (Blue Backyard); Angela Fubler (Chatmore Foundation); Caroline Oldham (Clojilo); Chaella Bradshaw-Douglas (PinkSand Beauty); Charmaine Tucker (Legacy Arc); Dashante Burgess (Bermuda Wound Care Limited); Derell Stinson (Renaissance Amalgamated, Ltd.); Destynie Weir (Bermuda Therapy Network); Gabby Jackson (Connect First); Hannah Lampit (On Island); Jonathan Starling (Trident Bermuda); Kimberlee Tankard (Bermuda Explorium); Kristin Alexander (thirdANCHOR); Kyla and Richard Martin (The Well-Versed Life); Livia Schonenberg (Sitter); Noelle Young (Aquaculture Research Centre); Razia Biloo (Ardee Store); Samantha Gerdes and Dr. Alicia Hancock (Island Psychology); Sarah Browne (Alchemy Consulting); Satorie Lawrence (Snack Box); Shakeem Albouy (Woi); Shannon Davis (The Growth Mirror); Shapri Joell (S.P. Trichology); Sinead Simmons (Tribe of Flowers); Sue Rebello (Bermuda Home Renovation); Sydney West (Internship Insights Co.); and Tonae Tavares (Clayground).



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Their dedication, discipline, and willingness to grow have been central to their progress, and they now join a growing network of Ignite alumni shaping Bermuda's entrepreneurial future.

More information about Ignite Bermuda's Accelerator Programme and the application process can be found at www.ignitebermuda.com.

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Cohort 10 Founders

Sue Rebello

About Ignite Bermuda

Ignite Bermuda is the trade name of Bermuda Accelerator Limited ("BAL"), a company limited by guarantee and incorporated in Bermuda. BAL is a not-for-profit entity (Registered Charity Number 1001). Our mission is to build a community of entrepreneurs and community leaders who make an impact locally and globally. Together with key stakeholders in the community, we offer a formalised curriculum to improve skills and mindset and provide a network of mentors and investors to provide enablement and access to capital. © 2019 Bermuda Accelerator Limited. All rights reserved. For more information, visit: www.ignitebermuda.com

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