

YOUTH SEMINAR



* Tina covers ANY of the following topics in her presentation. She will tailor her seminar to meet the needs of her audience. Please fill out the **EVENT FORM** so she can adequately prepare for your event.

* *This seminar is constantly being updated in order to be relevant to what teens had watched in theatres the prior weekend. The recommended minimum age for a seminar is 6th grade due to some of the mature subject matter.*

SEMINAR OPENING

The show opens with positive music playing loudly. (*optional*)

- Tina shares about her move from a Wisconsin dairy farm to working on set in Hollywood. She shares about her first-hand experience working with celebrities through various TV shows, movies, runway shows, and pageants.
- Tina interacts with the audience asking them if they've played or own the "hottest" video games and quizzes them on who sings certain lyrics on the top pop charts. This challenges the audience to think. They start to realize that the media DOES impact society, sometimes without us even recognizing the impact. People are a product of their environment.
- Following is a run-down of the 4 major topics that will be discussed: sex, drugs/alcohol, violence and suicide/cutting (*if requested, Tina can discuss issues of abortion, separation of church and state, abstinence*). Tina analyzes the deception that's portrayed in all facets of the media – print (magazines, billboards) to the Internet, music, TV shows and movies.

SEX/ABSTINENCE SECTION

- Tina analyzes lyrics of some of the most popular so-called "role models" in today's entertainment industry.
- Tina discusses how many of these artists live the opposite lifestyle than what they promote in their music videos and music (huge EYE-OPENER!)
- Due to meeting many of these celebrities in person, Tina shares the *true* stories of the lives they *really* live.

- Using video clip interviews and quotes from these “stars,” Tina *supports* her observations with facts coming straight from the celebrities themselves! A majority of this TRUTH has ***never been*** revealed in main stream media. (example: Eminem *rewriting* his lyrics for his own daughter to listen to and Usher believing virginity ***IS*** the best choice, etc.)
- Tina talks about her own personal choice to remain a virgin until marriage and the rise in popularity among teens with choosing abstinence. Secondary virginity is also promoted to help teens realize they can start over again if they have already engaged in sexual activity.
- The impact teen movies have on society is covered using the latest releases as prime examples.

ALCOHOL/DRUG SECTION

- Tina analyzes a few of the hottest performers who glorify drinking and drugs without showing the consequences.
- Following is a story of a young girl who was a victim of a drinking and driving accident. She survived the crash, but two of her friends died and she’s had over 40 operations. (*Very impactful!! Many teens inform Tina that they will NEVER drink and drive after seeing this footage*)
- This section is wrapped up by a presentation of the physical effects of crack cocaine and the meth epidemic. Tina shows a pictorial timeline of a person who was on crack cocaine and died while in prison. The subject’s physical appearance greatly diminishes over a short period of time and once again, teens’ eyes are opened to the truth!
- Tina shows video clips that convey how Hollywood DOES NOT show the deadly-consequences of what they promote – HUGE EYE OPENER!

VIOLENCE SECTION

- Tina exposes some of today’s hottest rappers/singers on how they promote violence and DO NOT show the consequences when violence is used to “solve” problems in real life.
- The affects of violent video games are discussed in detail. The description of how your brain doesn’t fully develop until a person is in their early 20’s is stressed. Therefore, anything pornographic or violent is literally burned into your mind.

- Tina gives examples of what teens have done with their valuable 60 hours of time in a pro-active manner than to engage in harmful entertainment.
- Tina shares stories of school shooters and the fact that violent video games played a major role in most cases. Several stories revolve around teens being sentenced to prison for life without parole.
- Ted Bundy's plea to teens to steer clear of pornography and how it has destroyed his life is exemplified in a short video.

SUICIDE SECTION

- Current bands who promote suicide are discussed as Tina reads some of the lyrics within the songs. She challenges her audience to think about how these lyrics are impacting our minds as a result.
- A real-life suicide story is shared along with how negative entertainment played a major role in this teen's beliefs that suicide was his only option. *(Tina receives countless emails from teens on how this information has impacted their hearts and caused many to receive counseling)*
- Cutting affects close to 15% of our teens today. How cutting is promoted in pop-culture is analyzed and the real places we can get healing is revealed.

OUR ROLE SECTION

- The last part of the seminar deals with *“what can we do now?”* Tina talks about many resources available (world wide and locally in your community)
- A variety of entertainment from the hottest POSITIVE music videos, TV shows, CDs, etc. are played and promoted
- Tina closes the seminar by letting the teens know they can always contact her *personally* if they have any questions. She also makes herself available for at least 30 minutes after the presentation to answer any questions that people have in result to hearing the message.
- She encourages her audience to make wise choices in life because we only have one life to live!
- Tina challenges people to be pro-active in their communities and share this information to as many people as possible and be **leaders** NOT **followers**.
- Tina gives many suggestions on what teens can do to develop their own talents to create change in their communities and world-wide.

PARENT/ADULT SEMINAR

OVERALL SUMMARY

- Tina uses the same show format as stated above. In addition, she answers the top questions many parents have:
 - How do I stay updated on the latest media influences on my family?
 - What are some positive entertainment choices for my children?
 - How can I protect my family from the negative entertainment?
 - How can I set house guidelines?
- Tina gives the latest positive entertainment available – TV shows, movies, magazines, books, websites, etc.

OUR ROLE SECTION

- Tina gives many useful tips such as:
 - evaluating advisory warning labels
 - awareness of burned CDs & edited CDs
 - how to combat the inaccuracy of web filters
 - choosing the safest location of the home computer
 - the dangers of today's porn, chat rooms & MySpace
 - defining video game ratings and cheat codes

OTHER TOPICS AVAILABLE

Abortion Exposed

- How the term “pro-choice” is deceptively used in the media (TV, film)
- Stories about women and teens girls who have had abortions are shared
- How women can get post-abortive support and counseling

Eating Disorders

- Teen girls' struggle regarding anorexia and self esteem
- How the media portrays an unhealthy & unrealistic perception of beauty

All About Abstinence

- the lack of abstinence education & how the media portrays abstinence
- Tina's personal decision to wait to have sex until marriage
- The top celebrities who were virgins before they wed!
- Top celebrities who are saving sex until marriage

Media Analyst Panel

- Open discussion on the “hot topics” of pop-culture is also available