

## Two Faces of Cancer: Internationally Renowned Oncologist & Ovarian Cancer Expert Dr. Beth Karlan and Acclaimed Cancer Survivorship & Rehabilitation Pioneer Dr. Arash Asher Honored by Hundreds of Women Leaders at Tower Cancer Research Foundation's Magnolia Council Luncheon & Boutique on Monday, October 14, 2019 in Beverly Hills

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LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Over 600 influential and prominent women philanthropists and leaders in entertainment, politics, business and medicine will gather at [Tower Cancer Research Foundation's \(Tower\) Magnolia Council Spirit of Hope Luncheon & Boutique](#), celebrating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Magnolia Council, on Monday, October 14, 2019 to honor visionary and internationally acclaimed oncologist and ovarian cancer expert Dr. Beth Karlan, and leader in cancer survivorship and rehabilitation initiatives, Dr. Arash Asher. With its focus on both [innovative research](#) and vanguard free [patient support programs](#) to help cancer survivors and their families respond to the challenges of cancer and life post-treatment, this year's distinguished Tower honorees represent the two faces of cancer, both of which are critical in navigating this disease. The boutique begins at 10:00 AM with the luncheon commencing at Noon at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, 9500 Wilshire Blvd. in Beverly Hills, California.

Since its inception in 2009, [The Magnolia Council](#) has raised millions of dollars in support of [Tower's mission](#) by generating broader community awareness through expanded social and fundraising events. This year, in addition to funding current research and patient support initiatives, the Magnolia Council is proud to help fund the creation of Dr. Karlan's Women's Health Research Biorepository at University of California Los Angeles (UCLA), which is scheduled to open in February 2020. A biorepository, also known as a tissue bank, is a biological materials repository that collects, processes, stores, and distributes bio-specimens to support future scientific investigation. For over thirty years, Dr. Karlan has been a leader in building robust biorepositories for translational studies and early detection of cancer. The Women's Health Research Biorepository at UCLA will be a unique and standalone tumor/tissue bank with associated configurable data. This will provide researchers with the opportunity to study and track women's cancers at every stage of their development, as well as to better understand how genetic factors contribute to the causes of cancer.