



# SPEAKERS BUREAU



A graduate from UBC, Alexis Chicoine has worn many hats over the years. She was managing a coffee house in 2000 when a car accident occurred during her trip in Venezuela, left her quadriplegic.

While recovering at GF Strong Rehabilitation Centre, Alexis participated in a Have-a-Go event where she discovered wheelchair tennis. It had a huge impact on her life, opening up new opportunities that initially seemed impossible. She has since represented BC at local and national tournaments over the years.

Surrounded by a great support network of family and friends, Alexis was able to purchase an apartment in North Vancouver where she still lives with her partner and cat. Employment was always a priority for Alexis, she's been working full-time since 2002. Presently, she helps to run an excavation company and she provides disability awareness and inclusion consulting on the side. Playtime is also important to Alexis, she sings in a local pop/rock choir, travels to warm climates and scours buy & sell sites for good deals. She also volunteers in lead roles with the North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues and the Tetra Society of North America.