

2022 NATIONAL INVENTORS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Born: April 18, 1950

Primary Connections:

- Deforest Concepts: Founder, 2000-present
- Vermont State Senator: 2003-2012
- Sara Lee, Champion Jogbra Division: President, CEO and vice president of communications, 1990-97
- Playtex Apparel: Co-president of the Sports Bra Division: 1990-91
- Jogbra Inc.: Co-founder and President, 1977-90

Education:

- Parsons School of Design: Bachelor's Degree, Environmental Design, 1972
- New York University: Master's Degree, Theater Design, 1976

Key Memberships/Awards:

- Sports Business Innovation Awards: Lifetime Achievement Award, 2015
- Vermont Business for Social Responsibility: Legislator of the Year, 2010
- Trinity College: Honorary Degree

10 Things You Need to Know About

Hinda Miller

Inventor of the Sports Bra

U.S. PATENT NO. 4,174,717

- Miller was born in Montreal, Quebec, and moved to the United States to attend college.
- Miller visited Stowe, Vermont, with her family during her childhood, years before she would move to Burlington and help develop the Jogbra®.
- 3. She earned her bachelor's degree in environmental design from the Parsons School of Design in New York, as well as her master's degree in theater design from New York University.
- 4. During the summer of 1977, Miller worked as an assistant costume designer at the Champlain Shakespeare Festival alongside lead costume designer and future Jogbra co-creator, Polly Smith.
- 5. Miller and Lindahl were photographed together as runners in one of the early Jogbra print advertisements.
- 6. Miller became interested in yoga as an undergraduate at Parsons and she continues to practice today.
- 7. Miller served as a Vermont State Senator from 2003-2012.
- 8. She and her husband Joel established the Hinda and Joel Miller Scholarship Fund at Champlain College in 2000 to provide female business majors with financial assistance.
- Today, Miller enjoys dancing and is brown belt certified in a technique called Nia, a holistic fitness practice combining dance, martial arts and mindfulness.
- 10. Miller holds six U.S. patents.

