## <u>Athena LeBon</u> Owner/Founder Master Spray Tan Artist Rockstar Spray Tans Spa Sun Zero Solutions Tan Like a Rockstar

Hello, I am Athena LeBon, the Founder of Rockstar Spray Tans Spa in Littleton and Sun Zero Solutions Tan Like a Rockstar. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever imagine myself owning a spray tanning business, or developing my own line of sunless solutions! Now 8 years later, I have spray tanned thousands of people since opening my business. I feel so blessed to have a job that I love, and am so passionate about.

Prior to Rockstar Spray Tans, I was in the Information Technology business for 12 years -- yes, I was a computer geek! In 2007, I became a stay-at-home-mom, and am now blessed with two little boys! Prior to my first spray tan, I was a baby oil sun worshiper, and only wore the minimum, if any, sunscreen. I would also use the tanning beds before vacation, or to get my base tan for the summer. I can remember back in 2009, right before I went on vacation, I decided to try a spray tan. I was terrified of turning orange, smelling icky, and the general awkwardness of having someone see all of my flaws up close and personal. To my pleasant surprise, I was completely shocked after my spray tan. I could not believe it looked like I had a suntan -- it was amazing! The tan wasn't orange, there was NO damage to my skin, and I did not smell like over-the-counter chemical products.

I knew immediately that I needed to buy myself the equipment and solution to be tan all year around! Once the equipment arrived, I invited my sister and a friend over to test my equipment. And let's just say, I am lucky they both still speak to me after I finished their tans because they looked horrible! I had absolutely no clue what I was doing nor how to use my machine. I then decided to get professionally trained and once I received my certification, my business-mind starting spinning. It felt like I knew a little secret that I had to share with the rest of the world, regarding the health and beauty of our skin. As a spray tan artist, I was so excited to encourage others to stay out of direct sunlight for prolonged periods of time, which decreases one's chances of age spots, wrinkles, and skin cancer. I was filled with a strong passion to spread the word that spray tanning is SAFE, SMART, & HEALTHY.

Soon, I began spray tanning friends, family, and even friends of friends out of my home. My business quickly grew, and I needed a separate office. In short time, I was blessed to have met Margaret Kemble, the Owner of Bare Necessities Laser Clinic. Margaret, coincidentally went to high school with my Mother and our fast friendship turned into a business partnership, and in 2010, Rockstar Spray Tans was formed. I am committed to spreading the word about protecting our skin from harmful UV rays and yet still obtain that brilliant tan that makes us feel radiant and on-top-of-the-world. I am passionate about educating all generations, especially our youth, on the ability to achieve a beautiful bronze tan without accelerating wrinkles and sunspots or damaging our skin, and how this in turn, is saving and changing lives. Our team in Littleton is amazing and I am so blessed to share my business with them.