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Jenna Nicholas is an investor, entrepreneur, advisor, best selling author, coach and speaker. She is the President of LightPost Capital, an investment and acquisition firm, and the Co-Founder and CEO of Impact Experience, which builds bridges and deep relationships between investors and entrepreneurs. Jenna is the best selling author of Enlightened Bottom Line: Exploring the intersection of spirituality, business and investing. Jenna is a lecturer at Stanford Business School.

An active angel investor, Jenna has backed over three unicorns. She previously served as Investment Partner at One Planet Group, where she also led corporate development and acquired four mid stage companies. Prior, she worked with the World Bank Treasury on green bonds and sustainability projects, with Toniic supporting its global impact investing community, and with the Calvert Funds team investing in education technology, financial inclusion, renewable energy, and sustainable agriculture. As Project Manager of Divest-Invest Philanthropy, she led a coalition of over 170 foundations representing over $50 billion in assets under management shifting capital from fossil fuels into impact solutions, which she shared on the TEDx Portland stage. Jenna has served as an advisor to Ethic and the Nexus Global Youth Summit and previously sat on Apollo Global Management's Impact Advisory Committee. She co-chaired the Emerging Leaders Council of LISC, co-taught at Tsinghua School of Economics and Management, and is Vice President of Stanford Angels and Entrepreneurs.

She holds an MBA from Stanford Graduate School of Business, a BA in International Relations from Stanford with study at Oxford University, and has been recognized as a Forbes 30 Under 30 Social Entrepreneur, PDSoros Fellow, Echoing Green Fellow, and is a Council on Foreign Relations member. Jenna serves on the board and investment committee of the Oakland Museum of California. Jenna has been featured in the New York Times, Financial Times, Forbes, amongst other publications. Jenna is an active member of the Bahá'í Faith.