

This year for International Women's Week we will be celebrating the theme of "Creative Resistance", exploring how women use the arts to fight back, stand up, form solidarity, and celebrate their stories

In 1977, the United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution calling on member states to proclaim a day for women's rights and international peace.

Following the United Nations' lead, Canada chose March 8 as International Women's Day.

Each year at this time, Canadians celebrate progress toward equality for women and their full participation, reflect on the challenges and barriers that remain, and consider future steps to achieving equality for all women, in all aspects of their lives.

Over time, International Women's Day has grown into a week-long series of commemorative events and activities across the country.

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Antigonish Women's Resource Centre & Sexual Assault Services Association
www.awrcsasa.ca 902-863-6221

St. Francis Xavier University – Women's and Gender Studies Program, Jules Leger Fund, Human Rights and Equity Office, and the Coady International Centre for Women's Leadership

Naomi Society www.naomisociety.ca
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Antigonish Town & County Crime Prevention

People's Place Library

We'd like to thank the following businesses offering **free coffee to women on International Women's Day, March 8!**

Gabrieaus' Bistro

Boston Pizza

Justamere Cafe

McDonalds

Subway (coffee and cookies)

Little Christos

A&W

Kenny's Pizza (Pizza slice from 2pm-3pm)

Waffle Bus

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK
2017**

**CREATIVE
RESILIENCE**



**Share and Celebrate
from March 6 - 11**

Women's Day March

Art Exhibition St FX Art Gallery March 5-19

Film Screening "Sonita"

Women's Breakfast

Black Women's Lives Matter: Panel Discussion

Feminist Hive: Femininity & Sexuality

Family Sing-Along

Feminist Cabaret!

...and much more!!!

Schedule of Events

Monday March 6	Sonita" Film Screening 7-9pm STFX Nicholson Hall Rm. 151
Tuesday March 7	Wellness: We All Need It CACL 7-9pm
Wednesday March 8	Poster Making for Women's March & Pizzal McKay Lounge Bloomfield Centre 530-630pm
Thursday March 9	Black Women's Lives Matter Panel Discussion 7-9pm Dennis Hall Coady Institute ft. performance by Liliona Quarmyne
Friday March 10	Paint Party: Melinda By The Sea People's Place Library 1-4 *reg. in advance 902-863-6307 or 902-318-0372
Saturday March 11	FREE COFFEE FOR WOMEN ALL DAY!
	Exhibit Opening: Creative Resilience St.FX Art Gallery 7pm-9pm Featuring El Jones and other spoken word poets and musicians!!!
	Women's March 12pm Entrance to Coady Institute
	Women's Breakfast 7:15-9am St.James Church \$20
	Feminist Hive: Sexuality and Femininity 12 noon - 2PM Coady Room 265
	Family Sing-Along 2-4pm Kids First
	Feminist Cabaret 8PM-10PM followed by DJ Resis-dance party! Piper's Pub

"Sonita" Film Screening

Sonita is an award winning documentary about an ultra talented and fiery young Muslim woman resisting being sold into marriage. As an Afghan refugee in Iran, she uses music and education as avenues for empowerment.

Screening from 7-9pm Nicholson Hall Room 151

Melinda By The Sea Paint Party

1-4PM

The People's Place: Antigonish Library. Please contact Naomi Society 902.863.3807 or Senior safety coordinator 902.318.0372 to register in advance for this event. Spaces are limited.

Pizza and Poster Making for International Women's Day March

Join us in designing posters to proudly display at the International Women's Week March. McKay Lounge, Bloomfield Centre. 530-630pm

International Women's Day March and Rally

Join us for our march to mark International Women's Day. Women and allies are welcome. Mobility support provided. 12 noon.

Wellness: We All Need It

CACL 7-9pm

We all have our own continuous journey to mental wellness and we want to celebrate that journey at this event! The night will consist of a variety of activities that are all connected to wellness, including a mindfulness based activity, a collaborative & individual art activity, resource sharing, therapy dogs, music and most importantly a supportive and brave space to come together. All are welcome!

Creative Resilience: Art Exhibition

This exhibition is an examination of how female identifying artists understand and engage with gender, resistance, and joy. It is a multidisciplinary show which aims to identify common barriers and narratives, while acknowledging the vast differences inherent to our gender experience. We are interested in the plurality of voices and in the many different stories that comprise our understanding (or misunderstanding) of the feminine.

Opening will be held from 7-9pm on March 8th, will feature **El Jones**, performances from local **spoken word** performers and musicians. and an **Open Mic** sign up for Open Mic will start at 6:30. The exhibition will remain on display at the St. FX Art Gallery from March 5th to 19th. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Friday, 12pm - 6pm, Saturday - Sunday, 1pm - 4pm. Closed on Mondays.

Black Women's Lives Matter: Panel Discussion

The evening opens with a commissioned dance performed by professional dancer, Liliona Quarmyne, entitled "Women, Walking." A panel presentation and group discussion will follow exploring the challenges and opportunities Black communities in Nova Scotia face and the central role Black women are playing to address them. Panelists include El Jones, Sylvia Parris, and others TBA. 7-9PM.

International Women's Week Breakfast

7:30 breakfast, 8:00 speakers. Featured speakers are: Sally Clarke, Emmy Alcorn, Janette Fecteau . With a special tribute to Alice Hoskins. Advance tickets required \$20-\$50. Call 902-863-6221

Feminist Hive: Femininity & Sexuality

Nancy Forestell (WMGS/HIST), "Challenging White Privilege?: Commonwealth Feminists During the Era of Decolonization, 1947-1967,"

Rhea Ashley Hoskin (Sociology), "Femme Interjections: What Queer Femininities Can Contribute to Research Paradigms"
12 noon - 2PM

Location: Coady International Centre Room 265

Family Sing-Along

Come join in an intergenerational gathering to celebrate women and girls in our community. Bring an instrument, a song, a friend! All are welcome. 2PM

Feminist Cabaret!

Celebrate the feminist talents in our community with a fabulous show including music, performances, and many more surprises! \$10 cover (\$5 unwaged/student). 19 years and up. 8-10PM

FREE COFFEE FOR WOMEN ON WEDNESDAY!!!

Without community, there is no liberation.

- Audre Lorde