

**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.

From Status of Women Canada

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

Antigonish International Film Festival  
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  
902-863-3807

Stories 'n Stanzas

Antigonish Community Transit Society  
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

Pacha Mama

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

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK  
2017**

**CREATIVE  
RESISTANCE**



**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**

## "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, Lilion 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

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**

Monday March 6	Sonita" Film Screening 7-9pm STFX Nicholson Hall Rm. 151
Tuesday March 7	Poster Making for Women's March & Pizzal McKay Lounge Bloomfield Centre 530-630pm
Wednesday March 8	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!!!
Thursday March 9	Black Women's Lives Matter Panel Discussion 7-9pm Dennis Hall Coady Institute ft. performance by Lilion Quarmyne
Friday March 10	Women's Breakfast 7:15-9am St.James Church \$20
Saturday March 11	Family Sing-Along 2-4pm Kids First Feminist Cabaret 8PM-10PM followed by DJ Resis-dance party/ Piper's Pub