

Raging Women... Fighting the Cutbacks in BC!!

Conference Program for Saturday March 1st

From learning to action

8:30 Registration (breakfast provided)

9:00 Introductions: Gale Tyler (BC Teacher's Federation Feminist Caucus)

9:15 **Keynote panel presentation**

- ❖ Moderator: Sharon Yandle (Labour Consultant)
- ❖ Speakers: Lyndsay Poaps (Check Your Head)
Suzanne Jay (Vancouver Rape Relief)
Caryn Duncan (Women's Health Collective)
Sarah de Steur (BC Government Employees Union)

10:45 Break (coffee/tea provided)

11:00 **Workshops (please pick one to attend)**

- ❖ Women's Wages, Work and Welfare
Facilitators: Dara Culhane (Simon Fraser University), Sharon Yandle (Labour Consultant)
- ❖ Who, where, and why? Understanding non-violent direction action
Facilitators: Jackie Larkin (BC Nurses Union), Denise Nadeau (popular educator, theologian, nonviolence and peace activist)
- ❖ Creating consent, fomenting dissent
Facilitators: Nancy Knickerbocker (BC Teacher's Federation), Alayne Keough (Povnet)
- ❖ Women and Coalitions: Opportunities and Challenges
Facilitator: Moira Mackenzie (BC Teacher's Federation)

12:30 LUNCH (provided)

1:30 **Workshops (please pick one to attend)**

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3:00 Break (coffee/tea provided)

3:15 Report to plenary from workshops. Action planning – where do we go from here?

4:30 Conference close

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Conference Program for Friday February 28th

A Celebration of the History of Women's Activism

6:30 Registration

7:00 Conference Opening – Dedication of the conference to Joyce Lydiard

Panel presentation

❖ Moderator: Daisy Kler (Downtown Eastside Women's Centre)

❖ Speakers: Cynthia Flood (writer and educator)
Women's reproductive rights

Linda Shuto (BC Teacher's Federation)
Women in education

Jean Rands (BC Teacher's Federation)
Women and trade union activism

Sharon McIvor (Nicola Valley Institute of Technology)
The legal status of Aboriginal women

Lee Lakeman (Vancouver Rape Relief)
Independent women's organizations

8:30 Sharing Stories – audience participation

9:00 SPECIAL ALERT: Karen Dean (Hospital Employees Union)

9:15 Music and entertainment

❖ Raging Grannies

❖ Euphoniously Feminist and Non-performing Quintet

10:00 Close of first day