

- 9:30 – 10:15 AM **Women's Rights** led by Ele Pawelski, UNA-Canada
Topics covered:
- Why women's rights are important
 - Why women are a group that needs special attention
 - The mainstreaming of gender in the UN
 - Women's Rights are Human Rights (Vienna Declaration, 1993)
 - Critical points for women in the history of the UN
 - Status of Women Canada
- 10:15 – 11:00 AM **The Media and Human Rights** led by Victoria Fenner, Communications Consultant, formerly with CBC-Radio
Topic covered:
- Why some events receive so much more coverage than others
 - How human rights issues are represented in the media
 - What we can do to ensure we are getting accurate information
 - How we can influence the media
 - The human rights of journalists
- 11:00 – 11:50 AM **Children's Rights** led by Kristie Kelly, Human Rights Internet, formerly with UNICEF
Topics covered:
- The UN definition of a child
 - Why children are given special rights
 - The rights of children and what they mean
 - How children's rights are protected internationally and in Canada
 - The Convention on the Rights of the Child and its signatories
 - The role and structure of UNICEF
 - How children can participate in the UN
 - Model community activity: Respecting children's rights
- 12:00 – 1:00 PM **Aboriginal Rights** led by Dan Berman and Ed Bianchi, Aboriginal Rights Coalition
Topics covered:
- The history of aboriginal rights in Canada
 - The UN and aboriginal rights
 - UN conventions and aboriginal rights
 - Controversial aboriginal rights issues
 - The culture of dependency: present day aboriginal issues
- 1:00 – 1:45 PM Lunch
- 1:45 – 3:00 PM **Human Rights NGOs** led by Hilary Homes, Amnesty International
Topics covered:
- Defining NGOs and how they are funded
 - Categories of NGOs