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Patchwork opens up

By Ellen Reynolds

Patchwork: that most anonymous of women's arts, rarely dated or signed, summarizes more than any other form the major themes in a woman's life - its beginnings, endings and celebrations retold in bits of coloured cloth. In quilts, a woman said everything she knew about art and life.

Mirra Bank

What's purple and white and lives in the basement of 1247 Seymour St? Patchwork: A Com-

munity Women's resource Centre which is expected to officially open October 20. The purple walls might still be wet but you should be able to find either Lynn MacKinlay or Alison Brewin amid the rubble of renovations.

MacKinlay and Brewin are two women who took on the mandate of the Dalhousie Women's Alternative last December to create a women's resource centre on campus. The result is Patchwork which Brewin explains will try to deal with "the issue of alienation between the university and the community.'

The government has shown its support by a grant from the Secretary of State Women's Program, the student union has been supportive, offering time and possibly funding and Henson College has donated the space for the centre itself. "The need is apparent to everyone" says Brewin. Anticipating some skeptics, Brewin explains "women's life experiences are much different from men's and it is important to explore those differences.'

Men interested in the resources Patchwork has to offer may stop by during the times specified for men - which have not yet been established by the group.

Brewin says volunteers are urgently needed to help with a variety of tasks, from putting up posters to helping arrange lectures and entertainment. At the first volunteer meeting two weeks ago, the stress was put on community involvement. A common concern was the possible alienation of women because of the basement location of the centre or from women who don't consider themselves "feminists"

MacKinlay says, "We identify as feminists but we don't want to alienate non-feminists." The centre should be one "to connect women of different cultures and backgrounds" says Brewin.

Patchwork will eventually be offering a non-profit lending library of information by and about women, referral to women's services in metro, lectures and more. Coming up on Sunday October 19, for example, Connie Kaldor is giviing a benefit concert for Patchwork. To find out more keep your eyes peeled for notices of upcoming meetings or just drop in between 10:00AM and 4:30PM, Monday to Friday.

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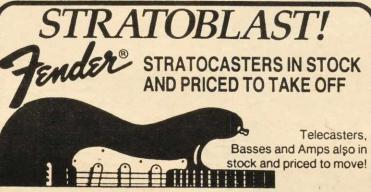


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