

# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK

# the Goddess

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## de Villiers coming to Dal



On August 9, 1991, Nina de Villiers was abducted and murdered while jogging in Burlington, Ontario, by Jonathan Yeo, a man out on bail who had a long history of violence. Nina's tragic murder led to an outpouring of emotion from friends and strangers alike. Overwhelming all the messages received, was the fear that society is not protected by the justice system — that victims and their families no longer count.

Since the abduction and murder of her daughter, Priscilla de Villiers

has spearheaded a campaign to change the justice system and educate the public in an effort to arrest the rising rate of violent crime in Canada. As President of CAVEAT (Canadians Against Violence Everywhere Advocating Termination), she has made submissions to both the federal and provincial governments, taken part in panel discussions and undertaken numerous speaking engagements. She has served on federal government committees on justice issues.

In February of 1994, Ms. de Villiers presented a petition to the Justice Minister in Ottawa. This petition, signed by more than 2.5 million Canadians, is calling for changes in legislation to protect society from violent offenders. In April of 1994, she submitted a report card on the Ontario government's response to the jury recommendations of the Yeo

Inquest to advise the public of the status of these recommendations.

The Dalhousie Women's Centre is pleased to sponsor a speaking engagement with Ms. de Villiers on Tuesday, March 7 at noon in room 105 of the Weldon Law Building. Admission is free and everyone is welcome to hear this nationally and internationally recognized speaker.



by Jen Horsey

Using their collective knowledge, Ruth Madoc-Jones and Michelle Horacek, both graduates of the National Theatre School, have come together as "Nunzinred Theatre Company" to produce the show *Glorious*. Over the past few months, the two women have been working together and combining their innovative theatrical ideas while exploring the creative process.

Influenced by a Primus Theatre workshop, which they both attended, and a wide variety of other theatre training methods, the two have built, as Michelle says, "a really strong, stylised physical score."

The play borrows from a variety of historical texts, to explore the tale of two extremely diverse women from different stages of history. The piece culminates as the two voices combine and a third rises into the forefront. The show runs for about an hour and will be performed at 8 p.m., March 1 through 7 in the Khyber Building (1588 Barrington Street) on the third floor. Prices are \$4 for the waged and \$6 for the unwaged.

## Women's day march

The National Action Committee on the Status of Women (NAC) has chosen International Women's Day as a national day of action against Federal government cutbacks. Marches from Vancouver to Halifax will highlight women's resistance to social service cutbacks, continued high unemployment, poverty, violence and shrinking reproductive freedom.

An ad hoc International Women's Committee was formed in Halifax to achieve solidarity on this day, and to incorporate as many women as possible in a show of collective confidence and strength.

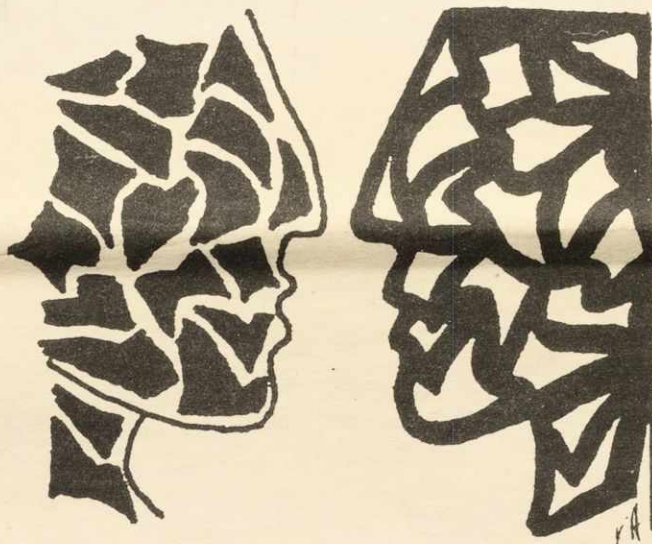
International Women's Day was proclaimed to recognize the struggle of women against oppression. The relevance of this day continues to persist — especially

in the face of continued cuts to health, education and social programs. Women are disproportionately effected by the dismantling of our social programs.

Women still lack real access to safe and legal abortion. Women are not regarded for work of equal value. And women are often victimized by violence in and out of the home.

International Women's Day is our day to say: "Enough is enough! We're fighting back!"

International Women's Day of Action March takes place at Grand Parade Square, Barrington Street, 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 8. March will start there and head to the Dal SUB. For more info, call Tara at 422-4481. March!



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK 1995

### SUNDAY, MARCH 5

Kick off International Women's Week with a Women and the Law sponsored International Potluck 6:30 p.m. at 5267 Tobin Road, Halifax

### MONDAY, MARCH 6

Come see the Dal Women's Centre table in the SUB. A week long hub of celebration and information.

Noon — West Coast Kenyan Cooking Workshop  
Led by Karen J. Venters  
Dalhousie Women's Centre  
An opportunity not to be missed!

### TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Noon — Guest Speaker: Priscilla de Villiers  
Room 105, Weldon Building

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

Happy International Women's Day! (and a Happy Second Year to the Dal Women's Centre)

Noon-2 p.m. — Dal Women and the Law Reception  
Faculty Lounge, Weldon Building  
Everyone welcome!

7:30 p.m. — Doors open for Halifax's Fifth Annual International Women's Day Variety Show

8 p.m. — The talent begins. Performers include Renée Penney, Doris Mason, Voices Black Theatre, Evelyn Riggs, Joanna Mirsky, Cheryl Gaudet, The Women Next Door, the Persisters, Judith Grace, and Jane van Kansas and Liz van Berkel. With hosts Mary Dauphinee and Ann Marie Woods. \$4.00/waged and \$2.00/un or unwaged  
Sign language interpretation provided.  
Childcare available.  
Wheelchair accessible.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Take time out and honour the women in your life

### FRIDAY, MARCH 10

Noon — Perogie Making Workshop  
Led by Heather Gibson  
Have you practiced your perogie pinching lately?  
This could become a cheap food staple in your life!  
At the Dalhousie Women's Centre

