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16. Upcoming anti-war events - stopwar.ca contributions, considerations, concerns:

* From: "Jane P. Brett"

Wednesday Night Peace Vigils at the Legislature - 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Peace ambassadors are needed to greet international visitors and to respond to current world conflict issues (including disarmament, civilian casualties, nuclear terrorism). Bring your peaceful passion and share it with vigilers from around the world. In October, we will have been talking to Coho ferry passengers, other tourists and locals for 4 years. Come and witness with us the change in public opinion. Imagine: War Never Again. (477-1944)

* From: Chris Chandler

FLASH FLASH FLASH ! CHECK THIS OUT! This video is the best thing I have ever done! <http://chrisvids.org>

* From: Ingmar Lee

The use of DU [depleted uranium] by the American military in both attacks on Iraq has had absolutely horrific catastrophic results. The effects on Iraqi newborn babies which have been documented by doctors at Basra Hospital can be seen at:

<http://www.web-light.nl/VISIE/extremedeformities.html>

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* From: Phil Lyons

Dear friends, Please sign this petition <http://www.petitiononline.com/iraqwomn/petition.html>
Women in the Middle East are rising up to demand equal rights. In Iraq women are mobilizing to end the rape, abduction and killing of females.

* From: "working TV"

Highlights from the August 10, 2005 Prison Justice Dayrally at Trout Lake Park in Vancouver. Speakers include ex-prisoners, prisoners rights activists, plus poets and performers.

This year's event was the 30th Annual Prison Justice Day held to commemorate those who have died in Canadian Prisons.

For more information go to <http://www.prisonjustice.ca>

* From: grace draper

Hello! The new FIA website is now up and running at our old address:
<http://www.bcfaithinaction.ca> .

Just a friendly but militant reminder,

1. APC General Meeting

Every second Tuesday @ 6pm
251 Union Street
(4 blocks south of Hastings, off Main) Ring buzzer 900

WE WILL ONLY GET WHAT WE ORGANISE TO TAKE!

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The Anti-Poverty Committee is an organization of poor and working people, who fight for poor people, their rights and an end to poverty by any means necessary. For more information on the Anti-Poverty Committee's on-going campaigns, visit <http://apc.resist.ca/home> . Contact us by e-mailing [apc \(at\) resist.ca](mailto:apc@resist.ca)

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or phoning 604-682-2726.

If you are able to donate financially to our legal defense or other campaigns, deposits can be made directly into our account at any branch of Vancity (account is listed under 'Anti-Poverty Committee'). Cheques or money orders made out to the APC can be mailed to P.O. Box 1, 12 East Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V6A 1N1.

UNITED WE WILL WIN!

From: Phil Lyons

2. ALL-female Critical Mass,

NEXT Fri 19 August !

Hey bike-guys, * apologies for any cross-postings *

Hoping you can pass on the message below to any and all cycling females you know in the Lower Mainland.

AND, though the Mass itself is a fully-feminine event, ALL men are invited to join us for the aftermass, a relaxed seaside celebration starting around 7:30 pm, after the ride. Details below, so again, feel free to send to any bikesheviks you think might want to join in.

Thanks in advance for any help you can provide !

Kari

Greetings wonderful women,

A few weeks back some of us were reminiscing about the LAST time we had an all-female mass, FOUR years ago during BikeSummer. It's been WAY too long !

Fri 19 August

* women of ALL ages and stages are welcome !

when: meet at 5:30 pm for socialising and announcements

> wheel at 6 pm into the streets !

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where: lioness and fountain side (north) of the Vancouver Art Gallery,
Georgia and Howe/Hornby Sts
who: ALL female and female-identified cyclists, bladers, boarders ---
anything self-propelled on wheels

We'll do a "matriarchal mass" through the Vancouver streets in the style of Critical Mass, and then join up with any and all male celebrants for an:
"aftermass" !

when: 7:30 pm, onwards

where: on the beach adjacent to the Jericho Sailing Centre
at the foot of Discovery St

> from 4th Ave., turn north onto NW Marine Dr.,
then right onto Discovery Street (past the Youth Hostel)
to the water

> or cycle the "seaside route" along the water

who: men & women, anyone self-propelled

> no carbon-burning vehicles please

what: relaxed seaside celebration, bring sharable snacks and beverages !

suggestions: yummy fruit, fair trade chocolate, vino...

* less garbage is good too, BYO mug, etc.

> Jericho Sailing Centre also has a licensed, casual restaurant
that's open until 10-ish

* web info on this and other Critical Mass events: <http://www.velolove.bc.ca>

Please circulate to any and all fab females you know in the greater Vancouver area, and invite any charming bicycle-boys to meet us at the beach !

Cheers and gears,
Kari

From: Kari Hewett

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### 3. COPE GARDEN & GARDENER'S FUNDRAISING PARTY!!!

Come, relax, meet friends - new and old at the COPE Garden & Gardener's Party. While away a summer afternoon, from 3pm on, soaking in the hot tub (bring your bathing suit and towel) while the sounds of the music, including the Fraser River Boys keep your toes tappin. Munch on delectable appetizers and sip a little something from the cash bar

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while you browse the garden themed silent auction. If you choose, stay on or come for a great dinner - from 6:30-8pm prepared by your fine hosts, Donalda Greenwell-Baker and Steve Baker.

When: 3:00- 8:00pm, Saturday August 20th, 2005

Where: 2268 Cambridge Street (and North Garden)

Cost: suggested donation \$20 - (dinner is an extra \$25)

This event is kindly hosted by Donalda Greenwell-Baker and Steve Baker.

For more information AND TO RSVP FOR DINNER [so our hosts will be prepared for you] please call the COPE office at (604) 255-0400 or (604) 726-5317.

From: "Tom Sandborn"

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### 4. Granito de Arena.

A film about the Mexican teachers struggle

Tuesday, August 23, 2005

8 p.m.

Free

Isobel MacInness Room at Gage Towers  
University of British Columbia campus

For over 20 years, global economic forces have been dismantling public education in Mexico, but always in the constant shadow of popular resistance. Granito de Arena is the story of that resistance the story of hundreds of thousands of public schoolteachers whose grassroots,

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non-violent movement took Mexico by surprise, and who have endured brutal repression in their 25-year struggle to defend public education.

Featuring...

Interviews with

Eduardo Galeano and Maude Barlow

Music by

DJ Food, Los Mocosos, Slowrider, PlanB, Correo Aereo, Grupo Mono Blanco.

Important...disturbing...a film that views education from below, from the classroom and the community, from the rank-and-file and the grassroots of both rural and urban Mexico. All of those concerned about education, human rights, labor unions, Latin America and globalization will want to see this inspiring film. Mexican Labor News and Analysis

Award-winning filmmaker, Jill Freidberg (*This is What Democracy Looks Like*, 2000), spent two years in southern Mexico documenting the efforts of over 100,000 teachers, parents, and students fighting to defend the country's public education system. Freidberg combines footage of strikes and direct actions with 25 years worth of never-before-seen archival images to deliver a compelling, and sometimes unsettling, story of resistance, repression, commitment, and solidarity. Interviews with internationally-recognized figures, such as Eduardo Galeano and Maude Barlow, place the Mexican teachers' struggle in a global context, clearly spelling out the relationship between economic globalization and the worldwide public education crisis.

A sixty-minute documentary, *Granito de Arena* presents concrete examples of what the Mexican teachers are up against by capturing the desperate conditions facing teachers and students in the schools and communities of southern Mexico. Featuring a driving soundtrack by DJ Food, Slowrider, PlanB, and Los Mosocos, *Granito de Arena* fuels indignation, inspires action, and raises important questions about democracy, sovereignty, and the universal right to public education.

??The fact that we are in the streets, denouncing the privatization of public education, denouncing what is happening in this country?that is part of our struggle, because we are teachers, and we cannot be silenced.?

Alejandro Leal, Secretary-General, Local 22 Oaxaca, National Union of Education Workers

Sponsored by the BCTF International Solidarity Program

From: Larry Kuehn

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From the Series Resistance,  
5. Rebellion and Revolution in Latin-America

La Surda Collective Presents:

Mexico - The Rebel South  
Information Night on Guerrero, Oaxaca and Chiapas

Guest Speakers:

- . Raul Gatica from Oaxaca,  
Popular Indigenous Counsel- Ricardo Flores Magon.
- . Eric Doherty, Building Bridges Humans Rights Project
- . Group of Relatives and Friends of Political Prisoners in Mexico

Thursday, Aug. 25th at 6:30 pm

SFU - HARBOUR CENTRE (Room # 1600)  
515 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Further information: [lasurda \(at\) resist.ca](mailto:lasurda@resist.ca)

From: "Stephanie Smith"

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6. Job Posting: Administrative & Fund Development Coordinator

This position is responsible for Vancouver Status of Women's administration,  
financial management, and fund development.

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Aboriginal women & Women of Colour are strongly encouraged to apply. Affirmative Action principles are in effect for this hiring. Please feel free to identify any barriers you may face in your application.

### Primary Responsibilities:

#### Administration (approximately 30% of work hours)

- ? Develop and strengthen internal administrative processes, including information systems and records management
- ? Liaise with Coordinating Collective including preparing documents for meetings and correspond via phone, mail, email
- ? Coordinate internal and external communication tools, including the newsletter, annual report and website
- ? Coordinate Annual General Meeting, Coordinating Collective organizational development and strategic planning sessions and retreats and assist with Coordinating Collective orientation
- ? Liaise with strata council and equipment suppliers to maintain Center (e.g. security)
- ? Work with other staff to coordinate day to day office activities including responding to emails, phone calls, faxes, walk-ins, office cleaning

#### Fund Development Coordination (with support of Fund Development Committee) (approximately 20% of work hours)

- ? Coordinate Fund Development Committee in developing and implementing fund development strategies
- ? Prepare and submit grants and proposals
- ? Develop and deliver direct mail campaigns with support of Fund Development Committee
- ? Develop and maintain relationships with donors, members, and supporters
- ? Create and update donor and membership database
- ? Research for additional funding sources

#### Financial Management (approximately 50% of work hours)

- ? Responsible for financial management of organization
- ? Strengthen and coordinate financial administration systems
- ? Accounting duties include verifying the validity of invoices and expense claims, and liaising with the part time accountant on budget, bookkeeping and payroll issues
- ? Cashflow and variance reporting to the Coordinating Collective, including financial projections throughout the year.
- ? Preparation of monthly financial statements for the Coordinating Collective



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- ? Develop, prepare, and revise the Budget and monitoring expenditures
- ? Audit - prepare and compile documents for the audit, liaising with auditors
- ? Monitor funder and grant reporting requirements

VSW operates within a collective framework, therefore the aforementioned responsibilities are expected to be carried out through the following collective mechanisms:

- ? Prepare materials for and attend Coordinating Collective (monthly), Staff (bimonthly), Finance Committee (monthly) & Fund Development Committee (monthly) and other committee meetings as necessary
- ? Participate in staff training, visioning, and planning sessions
- ? Maintain coalitions/relationships with other women's and social justice organizations as is determined by Staff and Coordinating Collectives and as time permits

Qualifications:

- ? Knowledge and experience working collectively within a feminist organization
- ? Strong organizational and administrative skills
- ? Experience in the financial management of a non-profit organization
- ? Experience and interest in fundraising
- ? Awareness of issues faced by historically marginalized communities, including Aboriginal women, women of colour, women with disabilities, queer women
- ? Experience working with volunteers is an asset
- ? Fluency in a language other than English is an asset

Position Details:

- ? This is a full-time staff position at 30 hours per week.
- ? \$18/hour, plus benefits (medical/dental/life insurance) and annual holidays.

DEADLINE for application:

12:00pm - Sunday, August 28th, 2005.

No phone calls please.

Interviews will be held Tuesday, August 30th, 2005.

Start date for the position will be Tuesday, Sept 6th.

Submit resume and cover letter:

Administrative & Fundraising Coordinator Hiring Committee

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2652 E. Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V5K 1Z6  
OR fax: 604-255-7508

We thank all applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Selected applicants will be contacted for interviews August 28th or August 29th.

Vancouver Status of Women is a non-profit, feminist, community based organization with a vision of Freedom and Self-determination for all through responsible, socially just, healthy and joyful communities both locally and globally. VSW works with women to ensure our full participation in the social, economic and political life of our communities.

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Julie Ham  
Administrative & Fundraising Coordinator  
Vancouver Status of Women  
2652 East Hastings Street  
Vancouver BC V5K 1Z6  
Tel: (604) 255-6554  
Fax: (604) 255-7508  
[www.vsw.ca](http://www.vsw.ca)

From: "Julie Ham"

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7. The Carnival Band In WONDERLAND

A Masquerade Dance Party with THE CARNIVAL BAND, a 30-member funk and worldbeat orchestra - Sept. 5th, Labour Day Monday, 8:00 - midnight. This month's costume theme: "Alice in Wonderland". El Cocal, 1037 Commercial Drive. Info: www.thecarnivalband.com .

The Legendary

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CARNIVAL BAND

World Groove Orchestra

FUNK

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KLEZMER

JAZZ ORIGINALS

WORLDBEAT

Yes, our brand new CD is here! Get one at our shows,
or via the website...

We're a 30-member groove orchestra, playing carnival music of the world on stages and streets around B.C. Our stage show? A wild hybrid of funk to punk, samba, calypso, jazz originals, even medieval dances - with a massive horn section backed by driving rhythms from drums and bass.

We've opened for Garaj Mahal, Vinyl, and Spearhead, featured on CBC's ZED-TV - and recently appeared at Public Dreams' Illuminares at Trout Lake; dressed as chickens in the Chinese New Year Parade; and touring locally to such BC outposts as Mission, Nanaimo, and Lasqueti Island. In 2003 we took England & Germany by storm...

We're just back from the Komasket festival in Vernon, and playing the Gay Pride parade on Co-op Radio's 30th Anniversary float... see us next at...our monthly costume party at El Cocal - ***EVERY* FIRST Monday** for over six years - the wildest Monday night in town!

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WE ARE ***AVAILABLE***

for dances, wrap parties, festivals,
boat cruises, bar mitzvahs, jazz funerals...

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REQUESTS WELCOME:

www.thecarnivalband.com

CONTACT: (778) 232 - 7462

From: Dan Vie - The Carnival Band

8.9/11:reclaiminghistory&resistance

THURSDAY SEP 8 2005 @ 6:30 PM
ROOM 2270, SFU HARBOUR CENTER

6:30 PM: 11'09"01

7:30 PM: Chile Obstinate Memory. Introduced by Carmen Rodriguez.

by donation. suggested 4\$ for one film, 6\$ for both films.

Part of Envisioning Peoples Struggles. 778-552-2099 or [eps2005 \(at\) resist.ca](mailto:eps2005@resist.ca)

11'09"01 - SEPTEMBER 11

11 directors, 11 stories, 1 film

This film is a unique and extraordinary response to the catastrophic events in New York city that shook the world on September 11, 2001. Producer Alaiin Brigand invited 11 renowned international directors (Samira Makhmalbaf, Claude Lelouch, Youseff Chahine, Danis Tanovic, Idrissa Ouedraogo, Ken Loach, Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu, Amos Gitai, Mira Nair, Sean Penn, Shohei Imamura) to look towards their own cultures, their own memories, their own stories and their own language, and create a film lasting eleven minutes, nine seconds and one frame - 11'09"01 - around September 11 and its consequences.

We will be screening 5 of these films.

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CHILE: OBSTINATE MEMORY

By Patricio Guzmán, 52 minutes, Spanish with English Subtitles

“Pure in focus and vigorous in attack, this fifty-eight-minute documentary achieves poetic intensity with a spare, unmannered style.” - Review by The New Yorker

Patricio Guzmán's landmark film *The Battle of Chile* documented the Popular Unity period of Allende's government, the tumultuous events leading up to the US-backed coup in Chile on September 11, 1973, and Allende's death. But the memory of those times and events was largely barred from the collective consciousness of the Chilean people. In *Chile Obstinate Memory*, he returns to Chile to explore the terrain of the confiscated memories of the Chilean people- from those with first-hand experience of the coup to those too young to remember. The film combines heartbreaking reminiscences and provocative confrontations in the rebirth of collective memory of September 11 in Chile.

* Film introduced by CARMEN RODRIGUEZ. Carmen Rodríguez is a Chilean-born writer, journalist and educator who came to Canada in political exile following the Augusto Pinochet military coup of September 11, 1973. Her poetry, short stories, articles and essays have been published in numerous periodicals and anthologies. A bilingual collection of her poetry, *Guerra Prolongada/Protracted War*, was published by Women's Press (Toronto) in 1992. A collection of short stories, *And A Body to Remember With*, was awarded an Honorary Mention of the City of Santiago Literary Awards and was a finalist for the Vancouver Book Award in 1998. Both her poetry and stories include experiences and issues related to political activism, immigration and exile, memory and resistance. Currently, she teaches in the Latin American Studies Program of Simon Fraser University and is the Vancouver correspondent for the Spanish Section of Radio Canada International.

From: "No One is Illegal-Vancouver"

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**9. Peacemaking Circle Training**

Updated information along with Registration Forms for the September Peacemaking Circle Training can be found at:

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<http://www.staidansunited.com/Peacemaking/pctmain.htm>

Burnaby BC: September 9 -- 12

Victoria BC: September 16 -- 19

Peacemaking circles provide a way to bring people together to have difficult conversations, to work through conflict or differences and to build relationships. The circle process is a way of getting the most complete picture people can of themselves, each other and the issue at hand to enable them to move together in a good way.

The peacemaking circle process is being used for decision making, problem solving, conflict resolution and community building in schools, neighborhoods, workplace, family and the criminal justice system. Participants will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to apply peacemaking circles and restorative justice philosophies to many aspects of their work, community and home life.

For more information or to register, please contact

Burnaby: Jane Miller-Ashton email: [janemiller \(at\) sfu.ca](mailto:janemiller@sfu.ca)

Victoria: Gordon Miller email: [gordonmiller \(at\) shaw.ca](mailto:gordonmiller@shaw.ca)

From: Charlotte Gottschau

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10. Operation Enduring Resistance: Remembering Nine-Eleven

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10TH  
SFU HARBOUR CENTER (515 W. HASTINGS)  
FORUMS FROM 2-6 PM

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH @ 2 PM  
A COMMUNITY COMMEMORATION  
GATHER AT MAIN STREET SKYTRAIN STATION (THORNTON PARK)

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9-11 should never be forgotten. One of them happened only four years ago, with about three thousand human lives as collateral damage. The American people became victims of the kind of terror and grief experienced by hundreds of thousands of innocent people around the world for many decades. But George Bush() and his cohorts quickly turned the genuine grief of the people into a "crusade" of his own. A unilateral war, a global war, the "War on Terrorism", was instantly declared - unleashing terror here, there, everywhere. The "9-11" of 2001 became a landmark, dividing the world between the war-ravaging US government and its allies - a handful of reluctant, coerced or bought-out governments - on the one hand, and the people of the world on the other.

But there was another "9-11", going back to 1973. It was precisely on September 11 of that year that the US government staged the military coup in Chile, gunning down the democratically elected president, Salvador Allende, in his own office - and turning the whole country into a decades-long dark night of brutal repression, unremitting exploitation, and a laboratory for neo-liberalism.

Then there is September 12, 1977 when Steven Biko, first president of the all-Black South African Students' Organization, also became the forty-first person in South Africa to die while being held in the custody of the apartheid regime.

On September 13th, 1971, the U.S government ordered a shooting in the Attica Prison in New York. At least 450 rounds of ammunition were discharged with 29 inmates dead. The Attica Rebellion, organized by predominantly political prisoners from the American Indian Movement, the Black Liberation Army, and anti-war activists, was the most well-organized prison uprising in U.S. history.

And we must never forget September 14th, 1992 in Somalia when the United Nations Security Council first began its "humanitarian" intervention.

What happened on that 9-11 in Chile, or that 9-13 in Attica, was not unique. For decades the US-led system of imperialism has been doing exactly that: in Asia, Middle-east, Africa, Central and South America; ruthlessly suppressing people's aspirations for democracy, social justice, economic well-being and genuine independence; and imposing brutal, despotic tyrants in one country after the other.

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On 9-11 of this year, 2005, we call upon all the people of goodwill, as lovers of peace, equality and social justice, to come together to commemorate the memory of the people who died in America four years ago, and the countless thousands who before that day and since that day have lost their lives, their limbs, their dignity and their homes in the wars and imperialist greed undertaken by the USA, currently under the cover of "War on Terrorism".

And when we commemorate, we also resolve to build solidarity among the people of the world in their just struggles against imperialism.

Organized by a network of organizations- La Surda Latin American Collective, South Asian Network for Secularism and Democracy, No One is Illegal, Vancouver Association of Chinese Canadians, Committee for Solidarity with Columbia, Iranian Federation of Refugees, Kalayaan Center, and Vancouver Status of Women.

For more information, email [noii-van \(at\) resist.ca](mailto:noii-van@resist.ca) or call 778-552-2099

From: [harsha \(at\) resist.ca](mailto:harsha@resist.ca)

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**11. Job Posting: Project Coordinator**

This position is responsible for the Coordination of Vancouver Status of Women's Project on the Feminization & Racialization of Poverty. This one-year position starts September 26th, 2005-September 29th, 2006 (Leave replacement).

Aboriginal women & Women of Colour are strongly encouraged to apply. Affirmative Action principles are in effect for this hiring. Please feel free to identify any barriers you may face in your application.

Primary Responsibilities:



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### Coordination & Coalition Development

- ? Coordinate Feminist Working Group activities and other relevant committees
- ? Develop and work with the Project timelines on a yearly basis
- ? Develop strategies for outreach to anti-poverty, immigrant and Aboriginal organizations
- ? Organize and coordinate coalition of community organizations to address the feminization and racialization of poverty
- ? Participate in relevant coalitions (ie. immigrant, women, anti-poverty)

### Research and Feminist Analysis

- ? Review of research, media reports, and other sources of information on federal and provincial social policies that deepen the poverty experienced by Indigenous and Women of Colour
- ? Analysis of data collection from consultations, surveys, and focus groups
- ? Coordinate and supervise Contract Researchers
- ? Publish project publication which reflect the feminist framework of the Project

### Community Development

- ? Develop & implement programming strategy
- ? Develop Public Education materials derived from consultations, statistical analysis and information review, outlining the specific effects of the lack of government social programs and services in relation to racialized women
- ? Develop and present lectures and workshops on the content of the Project to social justice groups, academic institutions, and other organizations

### Media and Lobbying Development

- ? Develop Media & Lobby Strategy Plan for 3-year project
- ? Respond to mainstream and alternative media reports on social policies in relation to racialization of poverty, from a feminist anti-oppression perspective
- ? Develop media kits & workshops for the larger social justice community within a feminist anti-oppression framework while expanding media relations

VSW operates within a feminist collective framework, therefore the aforementioned responsibilities are expected to be carried out through the following collective strategies:

- ? Prepare materials for and attend Coordinating Collective (monthly), Staff (bimonthly), Feminist Working Group (bimonthly) and other committee meetings as necessary
- ? Participate in staff training, visioning, and planning sessions
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organizations as determined

Qualifications:

- ? Knowledge and experience working collectively within a feminist organization
- ? Strong ability and experience coordinating projects
- ? Strong anti-oppression feminist analysis of the racialization of poverty
- ? Demonstrated research experience
- ? Strong organizational and administrative skills
- ? Awareness of issues and systemic barriers experienced by Indigenous Women and Women of Colour from multiple locations
- ? Experience working with volunteers is an asset
- ? Fluency in a language other than English is an asset

Position Details:

This is a full-time staff position at approximately 30 hours per week or 120 hrs per month, covering a leave replacement period starting September 26th, 2005 and ending September 29th, 2006. The position is paid at a rate of \$18/hour, plus benefits & holidays.

DEADLINE for application:

12:00pm (noon) - Sunday, September 11th, 2005.

No phone calls please.

Interviews will be held on Tuesday, September 13th, 2005.

Start date for the position will be Monday September 26th, 2005.

Submit resume, cover letter, and a 1 pager that answers the following question:

How do you define the racialization and feminization of poverty within local and global contexts?

Project Coordinator Hiring Committee

2652 E. Hastings Street, Vancouver, BC V5K 1Z6

OR fax: 604-255-7508

We thank all applicants, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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From: "Julie Ham"

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12. The World Peace Forum Women's Working Group meets again

Monday, September 12th 5pm to 8pm  
SFU Harbour Centre  
Placer Dome Lecture Room 1520 (on main floor)

Please put this date on your calendar and invite your friends

The world spends in excess of one trillion US dollars per year on preparing for and executing wars. How much is that? If you spent \$1000 per day from the birth of Christ until today, you still would not have spent \$1 trillion.

From: "Elsie Dean"

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13. Imaging Public Policy to Meet Women's Economic Security Needs

Hello CCPA-BC Members and Friends,

A promotion and registration notice for a conference - Imaging Public Policy to Meet Women's Economic Security Needs - follows below. This is the first major conference sponsored by the CCPA/SFU Economic Security Project. Below you will find a link to the conference website, where you can find more details and register. As you will see, the program looks great, and the

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conference itself is very solutions-oriented. Please help us spread the word about this exciting event.

Thanks,

Seth

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Conference Notice:

Imagining Public Policy to Meet Women's Economic Security Needs

(Please circulate widely. Apologies for any cross-postings.)

What kinds of policies will ensure that women's economic security needs are met in British Columbia and beyond? The Economic Security Project (a research alliance led by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives and Simon Fraser University) will be holding its first conference, titled *Imagining Public Policy to Meet Women's Economic Security Needs*, in Vancouver on October 13-15, 2005. The intent of the conference will be to "imagine" and analyze effective public policy as it pertains to women in the areas of: employment standards and barriers to labour market participation; welfare and social policy reform; and community-based health-care. The emphasis of the conference is on forward-looking public policy solutions. Attendance from both academic and community-based participants is welcome.

Featuring:

The Honourable Monique B?gin (feminist-activist, General Secretary for the 1970 Royal Commission on the Status of Women, and Federal Minister of Health and Welfare during the creation of the Canada Health Act of 1984) will open the conference with a free public lecture on the evening of Thursday, October 13th. The following two days (Friday, October 14th and Saturday, October 15th) will feature a total of sixteen panel presentations, four roundtable discussions and the following plenary sessions:

Imagining Progressive Social Welfare Policy

Jane Jensen (Canadian Policy Research Networks) / Shelagh Day (Poverty & Human Rights Project) / Patsy George (Community advocate and activist)

Imagining Strong Employment Policy

Leah Vosko (York University) / Penni Richmond (Canadian Labour Congress) /

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Cecilia Diocson (Philippine Women's Centre)

Imagining Social Supports that Work

Marta Szebehely (Stockholm University) / Rita Chudnovsky (BC Coalition of Child Care Advocates) / Fay Blaney (Aboriginal Women's Action Network)

Strategies for Change: Looking for a Different Future

Hilary Wainwright (University of Manchester and Red Pepper Magazine)

Included in the program, among many others, are presentations from: Martha MacDonald (St. Mary's University); Laurel Ritchie (Canadian Auto Workers Union); Wendy McKeen (Dalhousie University); Marge Reitsma-Street (University of Victoria); Andrew Jackson (Canadian Labour Congress); Barbara Cameron (York University); and Pat Armstrong (York University).

To register, and for full draft program and other detailed conference information, see the conference website at

<http://www.sfu.ca/esconference2005>

Cost to register: \$125 (\$35 Student & Low-Income).

Space is limited, so register soon.

Note: Some subsidies are available for participants representing BC-based low-income community groups - please contact [wwwchair \(at\) sfu.ca](mailto:wwwchair@sfu.ca) for details and application information.

The Imagining Public Policy to Meet Women's Economic Security Needs conference is sponsored by the Economic Security Project, a multi-year research initiative funded by the SSHRC Community-University Research Alliance. The principle partners in this alliance are the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives - BC and the Women's Studies Department at Simon Fraser University. The Co-Directors of the ESP are Marjorie Griffin Cohen and Seth Klein.

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Manager - Economic Security Project

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The CCPA is a non-partisan, non-profit public policy research institute, dedicated to social and economic justice. We produce and promote progressive research on a wide range of provincial and national policy issues.

From: Seth Klein

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14. "Earth(ling) - A Festival - Youth, Arts, Activism"

October 21, and 22, Vancouver, BC

This Youth Arts Festival promises to stand up, stand out, and party. With 10 performances a night, a kickass band, alternative gallery spaces, and workshops from some of Canada's most exciting artist/activists - you'll never want to leave. All in an 18,000 sq ft industrial warehouse.

Who owns the earth? We want to hear your voices about the arts, social justice, and the environment.

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We're looking for artists who are 14 to 25, whose art has something to say about the Earth, our communities and where we're taking them.

Judith Marcuse Projects (JMP) is currently accepting submissions for "Earth(ling)" which will take place in Vancouver, BC.

We need:

? Examples of your work which could include music, visual art, theatre, dance, zines, spoken word, or whatever forms you're working in (15 minutes max for performance pieces) on CD - jpeg, tif's, DVD's, video, or some form of representation.

? A resume, contact information, and your age (for funding purposes.)

? A description of how your piece will relate to the environment, social justice, or both!

We will consider wild proposals (eg. site-specific work, art installations, fusion work.)

Please send all material:

Attn: Spencer Herbert  
Judith Marcuse Projects  
Scotiabank Dance Centre  
677 Davie Street - 7th floor  
Unceded Coast Salish Territory  
Vancouver BC V6B 2G6

All submissions are due no later than September 1st, 2005. Late submissions will not be accepted. JMP is not responsible for sending back materials. For more information, email Spencer at [spencer \(at\) judithmarcuseprojects.ca](mailto:spencer@judithmarcuseprojects.ca) . Travel costs, and accommodation (billeting) may be covered for some successful applicants. Every artist accepted will be paid an honorarium.

Judith Marcuse Projects is an equal opportunity employer. We work with, and value artists from all of the world's diverse communities.

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Prenez part ?

'Earth(ling) - Un festival pour les jeunes, l'art et l'activisme.'

21, 22 et 23 Octobre 2005, Vancouver, B.C.

Ce festival d'art par les jeunes se promet d'être plein de courage et d'opinion, sans oublier de faire la fête! Avec 10 représentations par soir, de la musique électrisante, des espaces d'exposition non conventionnels, et des ateliers offerts par certains des artistes/activistes canadiens les plus excitants - vous ne voudrez plus repartir. Tout cela dans un espace d'environ 18 000 pieds carrés.

A qui appartient la terre? Nous voulons savoir ce que vous pensez de l'art, de l'environnement, et de la justice sociale.

Nous recherchons des artistes entre 14 et 25 ans qui se préoccupent de la terre et de son avenir.

Judith Marcuse Projects (JMP) accepte présentement des candidatures pour son projet 'Earth(ling)' qui se déroulera à Vancouver, B.C.

Faites-nous parvenir :

• Des exemples de votre travail pouvant inclure de la musique, de l'art visuel, du théâtre, de la danse, du spoken word ou toute autre forme sous laquelle vous travaillez (durée maximum de 15 minutes pour les arts de la scène), gravée sur CD sous format jpeg ou tif's, sur DVD ou vidéo.

• Un curriculum vitae, ou vous rejoindre et votre âge (en vue des subventions)

• Un commentaire sur la façon dont votre œuvre parlera de la terre.

Nous considérerons toutes sortes de propositions, même les plus folles (site-specific, installations, fusions?)



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Faites parvenir l'ensemble de votre application ?:

Attn: Spencer Herbert  
Judith Marcuse Projects  
Scotiabank Dance Centre  
677 Davie Street - 7th floor  
Vancouver BC V6B 2G6.

La date limite pour toutes les applications est le 1 septembre, sans exceptions. JMP n'est pas responsable de vous renvoyer les dossiers. Pour plus d'information, contactez Spencer ? [spencer \(at\) judithmarcuseprojects.ca](mailto:spencer@judithmarcuseprojects.ca)

. Les frais de transport et de logement seront possiblement couverts pour les candidats retenus.

Judith Marcuse Projects est un employeur ? opportunit?s ?gales. Nous appr?cions et travaillons avec des artistes de toutes les communaut?s du monde.

[www.earthproject.ca](http://www.earthproject.ca)

From: "Tom Sandborn"

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### 15. LIU INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL ISSUES

The Centre for Multicultural and Community Development present:

"Racisms in the New World Order: Realities of Culture, Colour and Identity" Conference

December 8-9, 2005

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Coolumb, Queensland, Australia

This conference will provide opportunity to examine the contemporary manifestations of racism across the world around key themes. The CMCD invites representatives from community, government and other organisations, as well as academics to attend the conference to develop a better understanding of racism and ways to combat it.

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For more information regarding Registration, Accommodation Booking and Call for Papers, contact:

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Centre for Multicultural & Community Development  
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
University of the Sunshine Coast  
Phone: +61-7-210-6951  
[mkhakbaz \(at\) usc.edu.au](mailto:mkhakbaz@usc.edu.au)

6476 NW Marine Drive  
Vancouver BC  
PH: 604.822.1402

[www.ligi.ubc.ca](http://www.ligi.ubc.ca)

From: "Chu, Patricia"

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### 16. Upcoming anti-war events

Stopwar.ca

This week:

- 1) August 15 solidarity with Cindy Sheehan
- 2) August 18 picket for Haiti
- 3) August 18 report back on people's health conference, war in Iraq, Philippines

Upcoming:

- 1) Next StopWar general meeting
- 2) August 25 Forum on Canada in Haiti
- 3) September 13 film showing, 'Fallujah 2004'
- 4) September 24 day of action

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### 1)Support Cindy Sheehan

Monday August 15 is a day of solidarity with Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a U.S. soldier killed in Iraq who is gaining international attention camping out front of George W. Bush's ranch in Crawford, Texas, to demand a meeting and to protest the occupation. Take a moment to fax, email or call in your support. The message below was originally sent out by the Toronto Coalition to Stop the War ([nowar.ca](http://nowar.ca)).

Support Cindy Sheehan and US military families!  
Phone, mail and e-mail messages of support!

Cindy Sheehan is a member of Gold Star Families for Peace ( [www.gsfp.org](http://www.gsfp.org) ) and Military Families Speak Out ( [www.mfso.org](http://www.mfso.org) ) who lost her son Casey Sheehan, 24, a US soldier killed in Sadr City, Iraq in April 2004 - only five days after being deployed.

Since last weekend, Cindy has been camping out on the road leading to George Bush's summer ranch in Crawford, Texas demanding that she meet with him to talk about the war in Iraq. Contrary to what Bush, Cheney and the rest of the administration have been saying, Cindy believes that the best way to honour the fallen troops in Iraq is to bring the remaining troops home and end the occupation immediately.

Her protest has attracted military families from all over the United States who are now converging in Crawford, Texas to support her demands and to meet with Bush. So far, he is refusing to meet any of them.

Activists and supporters from across the US and around the world are also sending messages of support. The Toronto Coalition to Stop the War is calling on its

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members and supporters to do the same.

Please phone, mail or e-mail your messages of support to Cindy Sheehan, Gold Star Families for Peace and Military Families Speak Out as they gather in Crawford, Texas to protest the war in Iraq.

Phone:

Cindy's phone number in Texas: 707-365-7750

Crawford Peace House: 254-486-0099

E-mail:

Crawford Peace House: [crawfordpeacehouse \(at\) yahoo.com](mailto:crawfordpeacehouse@yahoo.com)

Gold Star Families for Peace: [contact \(at\) gsfp.org](mailto:contact@gsfp.org)

Military Families Speak Out: [mfsso \(at\) mfsso.org](mailto:mfsso@mfsso.org)

Mailing address (they received over 150 postcards today alone):

Cindy Sheehan

c/o Crawford Peace House

9142 5th Street

Crawford, Texas

76638-3037

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2)Thursday, August 18 picket Pettigrew for Haiti

Tell Foreign Affairs Minister Pierre Pettigrew:

Stop the repression and killings in Haiti!

6:30pm, Thursday, August 18th

2741 West 4th Avenue (at MacDonald)

Canadian Minister of Foreign Affairs Pierre Pettigrew

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will be in Vancouver on August 18. The Liberal government, under the leadership of Paul Martin and Pettigrew, has taken a central role in overthrowing the constitutional government and the elected president in Haiti. Further, the Minister is well aware of the atrocious and systemic abuse of human rights and killings that are being carried out against supporters of Aristide's return. Pettigrew, though, has dismissed human rights reports as "propaganda."

The Young Liberals are hosting a reception and discussion with Pierre Pettigrew on August 18. Please join us for a picket outside as we make known our opposition to the coup d'etat, and demand the restoration of the constitutional government of Haiti.

Pettigrew lies, Haitians die!

Directions: Regular bus service to West 4th at Macdonald on the 2, 4, 7, 22 and 32.

Organized by Haiti Solidarity BC.

More information call 778-858-5179 or email [haitisolidaritybc \(at\) yahoo.ca](mailto:haitisolidaritybc@yahoo.ca)

3) Thursday August 18th, from 7-10 pm at 65 W. Cordova,

Report-back on the Second International Assembly of the People's Health Movement (PHA-II) held in Cuenca, Ecuador this past July,

Martha Roberts, Bus Riders Union

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The Bus Riders Union participated in the PHA-II as a grassroots organization fighting for health and environmental justice and against racism, economic injustice, and war through regional campaigns for economic human rights. The PHA-II report this Thursday includes a short slide show on the PHA-II, followed by two documentaries on the impacts of war, militarization, and occupation on people's health in the Philippines and Iraq. The Philippines documentary highlights organized resistance in an indigenous community in Mindanao, and the Iraq documentary follows the experiences of a Belgian doctor who arrived in Iraq two days before the US bombing of Bagdad, as other aid agencies were pulling their medical staff out of the region.

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Upcoming:

1)Next StopWar general meeting August 24

Wednesday, August 24, 5:30p.m. at the Maritime Labour Centre (111 Victoria Dr.)

Join us in planning peace and justice events and campaigns for the fall. Focus will be on planning and publicity for September 24-25 weekend of action.

2)You're invited to a public forum and discussion:

Canada in Haiti: Regime change, repression and resistance

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Thursday, August 25, 7p.m.

at the Palestine Community Centre, 1874 Kingsway (west of Victoria Dr.)

Featuring:

Aaron Mate, Montreal-based solidarity activist and writer who travelled to Haiti in December 2004,

and a member of Haiti Solidarity BC and participant in the World Youth Festival in Venezuela.

Admission by donation.

Organized by Haiti Solidarity BC.

For more information call 778-858-5179 or email [haitisolidaritybc \(at\) yahoo.ca](mailto:haitisolidaritybc@yahoo.ca)

3)StopWar.ca movie night: 'Fallujah 2004'

Two screenings of 'Fallujah 2004' at Pacific Cinematheque, Tuesday, September 13, times to be announced shortly.

"The documentary "Fallujah 2004," chronicles the death and destruction within Fallujah caused by U.S. Forces in April 2003 and April 2004.

Director Toshikuni DOI exposes the side of the U.S. war in Iraq that Americans do not see or hear in mainstream media. Through eyewitness accounts, DOI

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provides a media outlet for Iraqis to express what U.S. Forces did to them. Moreover, the film investigates how the violence spawned anger toward the U.S. occupation."

(From Scoop review. Read full at

<http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/HL0507/S00344.htm> )

4)September 24 will be a major day of antiwar action across North America. There will be major rallies with the demand "bring the troops home" in Washington D.C. and other U.S. cities.

The Canadian Peace Alliance has issued a call to action for September 24 that can be read at

<http://www.acp-cpa.ca/en/September24.htm>

Details of actions planned by StopWar for the September 24-25 weekend will be announced shortly.

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StopWar.ca is a broad-based coalition of over 150 endorsing individuals and organizations in the Lower Mainland.

General meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. See [www.StopWar.ca](http://www.StopWar.ca) for our basis of unity, endorsers, and more articles and events.

For more information, email [contact \(at\) stopwar.ca](mailto:contact@stopwar.ca)

From: "Derrick O'Keefe"

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"Loyalty to petrified opinion never yet broke a chain or freed a human soul."

Mark Twain

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