

Women's Studies

Lecture Series 2001

Women: Creating Culture/Creating Change

Open to the public with no admission fee. This series is offered in partial fulfilment of the requirements for the Women's Studies Diploma at Langara (Lecture Series: WMST1105)

Wednesday, January 24

Erin Graham and Kim Seary

Erin Graham and Kim Seary, writers and actors who have been creating feminist theatre, will read and perform from recent work and discuss why they think theatre can change the world.

Room: A136a

Wednesday, January 31

Dionne Brand

Dionne Brand, poet, novelist and filmmaker, will read from her work and discuss the content and process of her writing. Brand's fiction includes the acclaimed novel *In Another Place Not Here* - a 1998 New York Times notable book - and *Sans Souci and Other Stories*. Her most recent title *At the Full and Change of the Moon* was a Los Angeles Times Notable Book of the Year 1999. Adrienne Rich called Dionne Brand a cultural critic of uncompromising courage, an artist in language and ideas, an intellectual conscience for her country.

Room: A130a

Wednesday, February 7

Valerie Langer

The lecture will begin with a video, *Fury for the Sound: The Women at Clayquot* & Valerie Langer of Friends of Clayquot will open up discussion. *Fury for the Sound* is a powerful account of women protesters who were arrested in blockades against old growth logging in 1993. As the story unfolds it is increasingly difficult to dodge the video's underlying challenge: do we care enough to take a stand?

Room: A136a

Wednesday, February 14

Rain Daniels

The lecture will begin with a video, *Fires of Transformation*. Rain Daniels of Battered Women's Support Services will open up discussion on the video and provide further information on the issues it raises. *Fires of Transformation* is a documentary about a unique women's theatre troupe called VOICE (Violence Overcome in Creative Ensemble) who have collectively written and performed a play based on their own experiences as survivors of wife assault. This video shares with us parts of the women's stories and their journeys in creating change for themselves and others.

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Time: 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

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