

COURAGE TO CHOOSE CHANGE

The Cowichan Women Against Violence Society is holding a fundraiser, "Diva Fest - A Celebration Of Women & Those Who Love Them", at the Cowichan Theatre in Duncan, Saturday, November 22. In conjunction with the event, CWAVS is issuing an invitation to all women; "Courage To Choose Change" celebrates the hero in every woman. In 250 words or less please share a personal story of courage, a journey, a victory; be it a change in lifestyle, living arrangements or a change of mind. Three prizes will be offered:

1st Prize: 2 VIP passes. Meet Vicki Gabereau and other Divas in person - \$200 value.

2nd prize - 2 seats to the Island Diva Evening Performance - \$60.

3rd prize - Fashion/Trade Show - Day Pass - \$20.

All entries must be submitted by November 19, 2003

to

cwav@cwav.org or fax to 250-748-9364.

INVITATION TO SACRED CIRCLE EXPERIENCE

The MILLIONTH CIRCLE CANADA invites women to join us in a sacred gathering of circles. We'll share with each other the power of circle experience and voice dreams for a world that works.

We'll listen to the ways circling sustains and supports us personally. Let's co-create together how we can manifest fields of positive change by seeding, nurturing and connecting circles.

The Millionth Circle is a women's grass roots, international, volunteer organization.

To participate in a circle, all you need is the desire, the willingness to attend the gathering and to agree to follow circle principles... speaking and listening from the heart.

WEBSITE: WWW.MILLIONTHCIRCLE.ORG

11:00 - 12:30 – November 22nd, 2003 during **Diva Fest!**
Cowichan Theatre Board Room
Donation at the door to Cowichan Women Against Violence Society

Contact: Clare Peterson
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250.748.1007

**Diva Fest Tickets Available at the
Cowichan Ticket Centre
Only**

Call 250-748- 7529 (PLAY)

(In advance or at the door)

“DIVA FEST”

A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN & THOSE WHO LOVE THEM

Saturday, November 22nd, 2003 - 11:00 am to 11:00 pm
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society
will be hosting a **FUNDRAISER** at the **Cowichan Theatre** in
Duncan.

We are pleased to announce the evening's festivities will be hosted by:

VICKI GABEREAU*

**Tickets - Cowichan Ticket Centre - 250-
748-7529**

For more information contact
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society at 250-748-7000

** Ms Gabereau's appearance arranged through the National Speaker's Bureau.*

The Diva Fest Evening event promises to be an amazing experience of joy and celebration. Cowichan Women Against Violence is honored to welcome such talented women to entertain you at Diva Fest!

Island Diva Performers Include:

Show starts at 8:30 pm – \$30.00 per person

Vicki Gabereau – <http://talkshows.about.com/cs/vickigabereau/> -
Mistress of Ceremonies - Vancouver

Della Sylvester – Cowichan First Nation Cultural & Spiritual Ethno
Botanist

Allison Crowe – <http://www.allisoncrowe.com> - Singer/Songwriter -
Nanaimo

Joelle Rabu – <http://www.joellerabu.com> - Singer/Songwriter –
Nanaimo

Elizabeth Ryan – Vocal Performer - Nanaimo

Susan Rankin – Singer/Songwriter - Duncan

Debra Peterson – Belly Dancer - Duncan

The Carlson School of Dance Troupe – Duncan

Nicki Deanne – Singer/Songwriter - Victoria

5 O'clock Shadow – <http://www.shadowkings.com/> - Performance Art
- Victoria

Plus a few surprise guests!

VIP Pre-Show Reception

6:30 pm – 8:00 pm - \$100.00 per person

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet **Vicki Gabereau** and a few of the other talented Diva's who will be performing throughout the evening. The purchase of a \$100.00 ticket/donation includes access to the VIP Reception, front row seating for the show, complimentary wine and cheese and a charitable tax receipt.

(Only 50 tickets are available for this portion of the evening's activities.)

An Afternoon Fashion Show & Women's Trade Show

11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Adults \$10.00 Student, senior or child \$8.00

Our Fashion Show will be hosted by **Katie Harris of Sun FM 89.7**. The show starts at 1:00 pm and promises to be a fun-filled two hours showcasing Women's beauty and strength.

Clothing Provider's Participating In Our Fashion Show Include:

Reitmans - Duncan

WINGS - Duncan

Giggle Gear - Duncan

The Fairy Ring - Duncan

Lobelia's Lair - Nanaimo

Art of Siem - Nanaimo

Women's Trade Show

11:00 am – 4:00 pm & 7:30 pm – 11:00 pm

We are inviting women focused retailers and service providers to purchase booth space to showcase their products and services to the women and their guests who attend Diva Fest. If you have an idea for a booth that includes offering something (i.e. small samples) to the women who attend Diva Fest then please let us know. Sharing of booth space is encouraged!

(Limited number of booth space available at a donation of \$100.00 per table)

All Day Silent Auction

11:00 am – 4:00 pm & 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm

Silent Auction items will be available for viewing and bidding on throughout the day of Diva Fest in the lobby at the Theatre. A wide variety of items have been donated to date and include: a carving valued at \$1,600.00, swim passes, belly dancing classes, a lovely footstool and a hand crafted piece of furniture to name a few! Final bids will take place at intermission during the Island Diva Show. If an item is valued at two hundred dollars or more Ms. Gabereau will personally present the item to the highest bidder at the end of the Diva Fest! Watch for a special personal item donated by Ms Gabereau...if you have an item or a service you would like to donate please call 250-748-7000.

Thank you for your ongoing support and see you at Diva Fest!
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society