

# International

# Women's Day 2022

**Disrupt and Celebrate:**  
The future of gender  
equality for women, girls  
and gender diverse people  
in the Halifax region

**Tuesday, March 8**  
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

[Register for virtual event here](#)

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Advisory Council on  
the Status of Women



ASL & CART  
Service will  
be available.

# Agenda

## MI'KMAQ OPENING AND TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

- Cheryl Copage-Gehue & Elder Debbie Eisan

## INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

- Co-Hosts Councillor Iona Stoddard & April Hubbard
- Karla MacFarlane, *Minister for Status of Women Act, Minister of L'Nu Affairs and Minister of Community Services*
- Åsa Kachan, *Chief Librarian and CEO, Halifax Public Libraries*

## PERFORMANCE

- Guyleigh Johnson



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND CONVERSATION WITH PARTICIPANTS

- Natteal Battiste, *Youngest Elected Council Member for Acadia First Nation*

## WELLNESS BREAK (10 minutes)

Fantanesh Attomsa from [Blue Nile Massage and Wellness](#)

## INTERACTIVE ONLINE STORY SPOTLIGHT

We invite you to learn more about local projects, businesses and non-profits who are working to advance gender equality in the Halifax region. [Click on content to explore](#)



- Shekara Grant – [Change is Brewing Collective](#)



- NS LEO [“Not Without Us” Project Report & Fact Sheet on Women with Disabilities](#)



- [Rene Boudreau - Elevate and Explore Black Nova Scotia](#)

## LIVE PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE IMPACT OF THE HOUSING CRISIS ON WOMEN, GENDER DIVERSE AND NON-BINARY PEOPLE.

Moderated by Haneen Al-Noman

- Sarah Landry (Out of the Cold)
- Jen Powley
- Suzy Hansen (Members of the Legislative Assembly, NDP)
- Monique Fong Howe (Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre)
- Ahrthyh Arumugam (YMCA Greater Halifax, Centre for Immigrant Programs)

Question and Answer Session with Panelists

## CLOSING REMARKS

Denise Schofield, *Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Citizen Services, Halifax Regional Municipality*