

# Models of Inspiration

## A ROSE filmathon

You are invited to **RESERVE A SEAT** and support ROSE, Remember Our Sisters Everywhere. Funds raised at the filmathon will go towards a creative process and public event being planned for December 6th, Canada's *National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women*.

**Saturday, October 24, 2009**  
**10:30am to 4:00pm**  
**Room 2203, Douglas College**  
**700 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, BC**

### Films to Intrigue

#### The Women's Kingdom

Xiaoli Zhou  
Run time: 22 min. | China/US 2006 | Mandarin, Subtitled  
11:00 am - *Introduction TBA*

Keepers of one of the last matriarchal societies in the world, Mosuo women in a remote area of southwest China live beyond the restraints of mainstream Chinese culture.



#### Lady Justice

11:30am - *Performance artist Margaret Dragu in attendance*

Margaret Dragu is LADY JUSTICE: "Mature but not old; Lady Justice is without question the world's most ubiquitous artist model! ..."



**LUNCH provided**

**45 minutes**

### Local Filmmakers/Local Stories

#### Your Mother Should Know

Peg Campbell  
Run time: 20 min. | Canada 2008  
12:45pm - *Filmmaker Peg Campbell in attendance*

Peg Campbell's viscerally personal film resonates with the passion and the helpless suffusing love that overwhelms almost every mother.



#### Under One Sky

Christine McDowell/Moira Simpson  
Run time: 23 min. | Canada 2009  
1:15pm - *Filmmakers Moira Simpson and Christine McDowell in attendance*

*Under One Sky* turns the whole genre of martial arts films on its head as it explores the physical and spiritual nature of the arts as practised by women.



#### From martial arts to empowering teens

Two film clips: *This Film is About Rape, A Hard House*  
1:45pm - *Discussion with Anita Roberts of SafeTeen International*

Through a combination of research and experiential testing, Anita Roberts has developed a highly effective assertiveness model, SafeTeen.



**BREAK**

**15 minutes**

### Feature Film

#### Iron Ladies of Liberia

Siatta Scott Johnson/Daniel Junge  
Run time: 77 min. | Britain 2007 | Liberian English, Subtitled  
2:30pm - *Introduction TBA*



After surviving a 14-year civil war and a government riddled with corruption, Liberia is ready for change. On January 16, 2006, Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf was inaugurated President – the first freely elected female head of state in Africa. Having won a hotly contested election with the overwhelming support of women across Liberia, Sirleaf faces the daunting task of lifting her country from debt and devastation. She turns to a remarkable team of women, appointing them in positions such as police chief, finance minister, minister of justice, commerce minister and minister of gender.

With exclusive access, directors Siatta Scott Johnson and Daniel Junge follow these "Iron Ladies" behind the scenes during their critical first year in office as they tackle indolent bureaucracy, black markets and the omnipresent threat of violent riots. Highlighting the challenges that African countries currently face, this film provides an uplifting example of women who have become the backbone of change. As the filmmakers explore a historic transition from authoritarianism to democracy, the viewer is treated to a joyous, inspirational testimony of the political power of women's leadership and diplomacy.

*Distributed by Women Make Movies*



Can't reserve a seat? Drop in anytime during the day. Donations gratefully accepted.

ROSE has applied to the BC 150 Volunteer Incentive Program. If approved, each person who volunteers 5 hours time towards this event, including watching the films, the ROSE website project will receive \$50.

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