

AUGUST 11, 12 & 13
VALLICAN WHOLE
SLOCAN VALLEY, BC

WEST KOOTENAY WOMEN'S FESTIVAL
'95



DOING IT FOR OURSELVES

NO PETS, PLEASE

NO ALCOHOL

CAMPING ON SITE . WORKSHOPS . CRAFTS FAIR
CONCERTS AND DANCE . CHILDCARE . KIDS' FESTIVAL . POTLUCK

WOMEN ONLY

LITERARY CABARET

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 352-9916

ADMISSION: \$45 - \$70

PLUS ONE HOUR WORK SHIFT

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, August 11

Set-up, arrivals, etc. during the day

7pm

Registration begins

7:30pm

Literary cabaret

Seven published Kootenay authors
& musicians, scrumptious goodies and excellent coffee!

Saturday, August 12

9am

Registration begins

8:30 - 9:30

Breakfast

9:45

Official opening celebration

10am

Craft Fair opens

10am - 12 Noon

Workshops

Noon

Lunch

This lunch is a fundraiser for Nelson Hospice

1pm

Open Stage

This is a first-come, first-featured proposition, so sign up on the blackboard at the back of the hall!

MC'd by Tik 'n' Nic

The Open Stage will continue until there are no more sign-ups, or until 5pm, whichever comes first.

3pm - 5pm

Workshops

5pm - 6pm

Break

6pm

Potluck dinner

Remember to bring something delicious,
and your own plate etc. if you can.

7:30pm

DANCE!

with

Wild Rose

Singing and Drumming Ensemble

then

Crèmedalini

(Bo, Carol, Grace, Norma, and friend[s])
and

Girlie Music (and friends)

Sunday, August 13

9am

Registration begins

8:30 - 9:30

Breakfast

9:30 - 11:30

Workshops

11:30 - 12:30

Lunch

This lunch is a fundraiser for the Midwifery Task Force

1pm

Concert

with

A Ford the Lamb Abroad

Extra Sauce Dance Company

Lynn Lidstone

MC'd by

The La La Gyrls

3pm

Closing Circle

with

DayStar

3:30pm

Take-down! Stick around and help!

There will be **AA meetings** on both Saturday and Sunday, and people available for support throughout the dance on Saturday. For more information, and for times of meetings, check the bell tent (Sobriety Support tent) behind the hall. • Contact: Lyn M.

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Please pre-register for childcare!

West Kootenay Women's Festival

August 11, 12 & 13, 1995

The annual Women's Festival is the main fundraising event of the West Kootenay Women's Association (WKWA). Festival profits go toward the continued operation of WKWA projects, including the Nelson and District Women's Centre. Membership in the WKWA is \$15-\$20. Members receive a monthly newsletter, a proud sense of community, and use of the Centre library.

❖ Craft Bazaar ❖ ❖ Saturday Open Stage ❖

Artists, craftswomen and entertainers are invited to participate in the craft bazaar and/or Saturday Stage.

Pre-registration is required for the Craft Fair.

For more information or to reserve a space, contact the Nelson & District Women's Centre, 420 Mill St., Nelson, B.C. V1L 4R9. 352-9916.

WORKSHOPS

BRING YOUR DRUM, YOUR BICYCLE, YOUR GUITAR, AND SOME PAPER SCISSORS!

- A • Lawn behind tree • A
- B • Lawn near Rita's house • B
- C • Woods Workshop Area • C
- D • Main Floor - Hall • D
- E • Side Deck • E
- F • Basement • F
- G • Big Field at Front • G

❖ SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 10AM ❖
E • POLITICAL ORGANIZING AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL

This workshop will reveal a few local secrets of success and outline how to plan and carry out the various steps needed for any worthwhile campaign from fundraising to blockades to elections.

FEES

PLEASE PAY AS MUCH AS YOU CAN AFFORD. This event is the main fundraiser for the West Kootenay Women's Association - its source of independent funds. HOWEVER, NO ONE WILL BE REFUSED ADMITTANCE FOR LACK OF ABILITY TO PAY. The Festival will trade extra work shifts in lieu of higher fees. Please call the Women's Centre to volunteer for work prior to the Festival.

- ✓ Weekend pass \$70-\$45 (sliding scale) ✓ Friday only (Literary Cabaret) \$5 - \$8
 - ✓ Saturday only (workshops, stage, dinner & dance) \$50-\$35
 - ✓ Sunday only (workshops, stage) \$30-\$15; Stage: \$15 - \$8
 - ✓ Saturday potluck dinner and dance \$15 - \$10 with donation of potluck dish / \$20 - \$15 without potluck dish. PLEASE BRING A CONTRIBUTION TO THE POTLUCK. CALL THE WOMEN'S CENTRE IN ADVANCE IF POSSIBLE.
 - ✓ One-workshop fee (grazing fee): \$8 - \$5
 - ✓ Young women 12 to 18: weekend pass \$35-\$20 / Saturday & Sunday half price
- Lunches are not included in the ticket price: they are separate fundraisers.

Your weekend pass includes: Friday evening; breakfast and dinner Saturday (please bring a potluck dish for Saturday dinner); breakfast on Sunday; Saturday workshops, stage and dance; Sunday workshops and concert; entertainment, childcare, camping. The Women's Festival is organized and staffed by volunteers. Part of the entry fee is a one hour work commitment.

A children's program for all kids under 6 will take place at the back of the building throughout many of the events. **CHILDCARE FOR CHILDREN 6-12 IS AT THE HERITAGE HALL DOWN THE ROAD (Check the map.) Please bring a bag lunch for Saturday. Saturday night will be a sleep-over. There is a special brochure for this. Girls up to 12 may attend the festival for free in the company of an adult. Please register your child(ren) with the children's program coordinators or the Women's Centre. ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.**

Jo Brown and Sam Simpson both live in Winlaw and are highly effective community organizers for many and various causes.

D • LIVE SOUND REINFORCEMENT

Do you wonder just how that mixer board works? Do you fantasize about making the sound at events absolutely pure and perfect? **Bo Conlan** is a West Kootenay musician with terrific ear, who has been making music all her life. Using the sound equipment on site, she will demonstrate and answer some of your questions about live sound.

Hands on, bring your ears!

B • REIKI

Reiki is universal life energy which accelerates our ability to heal physically, emotionally, emotionally and spiritually. We are all born with this ability which can be reawakened and used for our own healing and

to access energy for others to heal themselves.

Holly Biggar is a Reiki master initiated in 1985. She is also a special needs counsellor and a lover of nature craft. She has lived in this area for 20 years.

A • DYKES IGNITE!

May be shifted to Sunday AM.

Check at Registration!

A workshop for lesbians to mix, mingle and strategize. Hot topics: gender, outness, culture, activism, herstory, community, identity and — sex! What else?

Facilitatrices: **Nicola Harwood** and **K. Linda Kivi**. Both of these women are out and about in the Kootenays.

G • SINGING and DANCING WITH THE GODDESS

The Dances of Universal Peace are ancient and contemporary expressions of the Divine



The Festival is at the Vallican Whole Community Centre, on Slokan River Road off Hwy. 6 North near Winlaw. Watch for signs when you reach the junction of Hwys 6 and 3A, or once you reach Winlaw (depending on where you're coming from). Cross the Slokan River just past Earthborn Organics in Passmore.

- ❖ Workshops scheduled out-of-doors will be outside unless there's a monsoon. Bring raingear.
- ❖ The building is wheelchair accessible.
- ❖ Limited on-site camping is available. The only hot water is at the building. There is a very small quiet camping area. No fires.
- ❖ Please leave your dog(s) at home. Everyone will be happier.
- ❖ Please fill out an evaluation form. Feedback helps make each year's festival even better.
- ❖ Shirts on in front of the building.
- ❖ Women only (and kids).
- ❖ The house next door is Rita's home. Please respect her privacy.
- ❖ Please do not drink alcohol in your cars or on the grounds.
- ❖ Please take your complaints to the Official Complaints & Compliment Taker. Hassling the organizers makes them cry.

