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## Regina Public Library celebrates International Women's Day

Regina Public Library (RPL) celebrates International Women's Day by hosting online and in-person programs that give voice to women's achievements and struggles in the fight for gender equality, especially those that have been historically left out of the conversation.

### Panel conversation: Break the Bias

March 8 7:00pm, online via Zoom

Join four incredible women as they discuss how we can break the bias and live in a world where difference is celebrated. Hosted by Sam Maciag from CBC News. Speakers include:

- **Zarqa Nawaz** is the author of the memoir *Laughing All the Way to the Mosque*. She also created the hit CBC comedy series *Little Mosque on the Prairie*, the world's first sitcom about a Muslim community living in the West, and is the creator and star of the forthcoming series *Zarqa*. Her new book, *Jameela Green Ruins Everything*, comes out on March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- **Lori Campbell** is 2-Spirit and is a member of Montreal Lake First Nation, Treaty 6 territory. She is an intergenerational survivor of the Indian Residential School system and a child from the Sixties Scoop generation. She currently holds the position of Associate Vice-President, Indigenous Engagement at the University of Regina.
- **Kelsey Sproat** was born and raised in Saskatchewan and is proud to call Treaty 4 Territory her home. After a lengthy struggle with gender identity, she recently came to terms with and accepted herself as a transgender woman. She is discovering and living as her authentic self and building a platform from which to share her story.
- **Kerry Benjoe** is from the Muscowpetung Saulteaux Nation and lives in Regina, with a journalism career that spans nearly two decades. She is currently using her years of experience as a reporter and storyteller to expand the readership of Saskatchewan's leading Indigenous newspaper, *Eagle Feather News*.

### Financial Considerations for Women

March 9 7:00pm, online via Zoom

Highlighting some of the unique financial challenges that women may face, this program from RPL's Business Services outlines how a financial plan can help.

### Film screening: *Soaring Highs and Brutal Lows*

March 8 :00pm at Albert Branch

This documentary celebrates the stories of eight female vocalists in the heavy metal genre who share the hardships and triumphs of being center stage in what is widely perceived as a male-dominated music scene.

**Reading recommendations**

Watch the [reginalibrary.ca](http://reginalibrary.ca) blog for recommendations about books that reflect the rich cultural diversity of women in our country, whose backgrounds and experiences need to be respected and heard.

To register and learn more about International Women's Day events at RPL, visit <https://www.reginalibrary.ca/explore/featured-events>.

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