

For Immediate Release

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Everyone is invited to the launching of a new feminist theatre group:

THE COMPANY OF SIRENS

The Company of Sirens represents a consolidation of the work done individually over the past number of years by the founding members... Lina Chartrand, Shawna Dempsey, Cynthia Grant, Amanda Hale, Peggy Sample and Lib Spry. The group presents material on all aspects of experience from a feminist perspective including health, economics, sexuality, and friendship. The Sirens will facilitate the work of other women theatre artists through Siren Soirees of New Performances, workshops, forums and plays.

Upcoming Siren activities include a fall Ontario tour of the Working

Peoples' Picture Show on women in the workplace coproduced with Ground

Zero Productions; Correct Line for Lesbian and Gay Pride Day, and

Channels of Passion / Sounding the Sirens a series of performance

pieces to be premiered at the Womens' Sexuality Conference in

November at O.I.S.E.

Performances at the launch include excerpts from Farm Women, Layers of Feminism in Saran, Virgin Clown, Penelope, Painters & Decorators, and the Working Peoples' Picture Show with Lina Chartrand, Shawna Dempsey, Janine Fuller, Catherine Glen, Cynthia Grant, Amanda Hale, Aida Jordao, Peggy Sample, Susan Seagrove, Diane Soko and Lib Spry. The launch takes place at the Theatre Centre (at the Poor Alex), 296 Brunswick at Bloor on Friday June 6 from 8 p.m. Tickets are available at Glad Day & The Toronto Womens Bookstore.

For further information: phone 927-8998.