

A Feminist Fantasy of the Future

WOMEN'S CELEBRATION OF THE
CANADIAN CHARTER OF RIGHTS
AND FREEDOMS



"All fantasy should have a solid base in reality."

Sir Max Beerbohm

Dinner and Cabaret
St. Lawrence Hall
April 17, 1985

CANADIAN CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOM

Section 15

- (1) "Every individual is equal before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination and, in particular, without discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability."
- (2) "Subsection (1) does not preclude any law, program or activity that has as its object the amelioration of conditions of disadvantaged individuals or groups including those that are disadvantaged because of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability."

Section 28

"Notwithstanding anything in this Charter, the rights and freedoms referred to in it are guaranteed equally to male and female persons."

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men and women are created equal."

Elizabeth Cady Stanton
Declaration of Sentiments
First Woman's Rights Convention
Seneca Falls, New York
July 19-20, 1848

Programme

Welcome — Monique Grambin

Dinner

Toasts and Telegrams

Pat Hacker

The Show Begins

M.C.'s Linda Ryan Nye, Madeleine Gilchrist

Metro YWCA Glee Club —

“Walking in a Woman’s Wonderland

“Women Have Spoken”

Ellen Campbell, Choir Mistress

Denise Gardian, Accompanist

Helga Reiss, Carol Pasternak, Betty Thompson,

Shirley Allen, Elizabeth Stewart, Jennifer Sunley,

Mary Simpson, Norma Hughes, Marg Campbell,

Rita Miffen, Jenny Campbell, Judy Campbell,

Beverly Wybrow

Good News, Bad News Penney Kome

The Lovely Lawyers Beth Symes, Mary Eberts

The Party Girls

The Honourable Judy Erola, Anne Johnston, Laura Sabia,

Kay Macpherson, Sheila Copps M.P.

The Health Act .. Shirley Blain, Diana Dick, Liz MacLennan

Girls Just Like to Write Fluff

Lynne Gordon, Penney Kome, Val Ross, Louise Thibault

Le Reseau — “Tout va tres bien, Madame la Constitution”

Denise Drago, Carmen Gauthier, Gisele Igier,

Madeleine Gilchrist

A Greater Sisterhood: Words Our Mothers Taught Us

Kay Sigurjonsson, Ada Hill

As It Better Happen Rosemary Billings, Elizabeth Gray

Song of the Charter Linda Ryan-Nye

Fundraising Interlude

Where to From Here? Linda Silver Dranoff

A Tree for LEAF Nancy Jackman

Language Rights Annie Dell

Hugh Hefner Tells His Side Maude Barlow

CARAL Playhouse Theatre presents “The Abortion Lottery”

Norma Scarborough, Caroline Lindberg, Liddy Hogan,

Kathleen Howes, Karen Hammond

Normal Taber’NAC Choir

Kay Macpherson, Lorna Marsden, Grace Hartman,

Laura Sabia, Doris Anderson

Judith Lawrence and Friends

Finale

The Ad Hockers — “Lifting Us Higher”

Rosemary, Linda, Pat, Laura, Judy, Kay, Jillie-Sue,

Susan, Doris, Beth, Moira, Penney, Janka,

Lee, Ada, Kay, Gerry

Charter of Rights Coalition

Ad Hoc Committee of Women and the Constitution

Canadian Federation of Business and Professional
Women's Clubs

Le Reseau des Femmes du sud de l'Ontario

Pink Ribbon Committee

National Action Committee on the Status of Women

Ontario Committee on the Status of Women

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University Women's Club

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