

Connections: A Womyn's Monthly

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Videos and Music



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Editorial:

As I ask the women I know "How are you?" (not expecting or wanting the standard "fine" response because I would not ask if I really did not want to know) I have been discovering this is not an easy summer for many. Whether in turmoil or working through a difficult time, dealing with an injury or just struggling through these many hot humid days, it seems as though joy is not our strongest emotion, particularly for those in relationships - if you can imagine it! So I wanted to put in this poem which I copied off the wall from a great ex-roommate (Hi Cheryl!). I hope it empowers each of you as it does for me each time I read it.

Comes The Dawn

After a while you learn the subtle difference
between holding a hand and chaining a soul.
And you learn that love doesn't mean leaning
and company doesn't mean security.
And you begin to learn that kisses aren't promises,
and you begin to accept defeat with your head up
and your eyes open, with the grace of a woman,
and not the grief of a child.
And you learn to build your road on today
because tomorrows road is too uncertain for plans,
and futures have a way of falling apart midflight.
And after a while you learn that even sunshine burns
if you get too much.
So you plant your own garden and decorate you own soil,
instead of waiting for someone to bring you flowers.
And you learn that you really can endure . . .
that you really are strong.
And that you really do have worth,
and you learn
and learn,
with every good-bye you learn.

Recently in a discussion with Heather from the Dalhousie Women's Centre, we discussed why Deb & I do Connections each month since it takes so much time, energy, and money to do it.

We have a lot of distance between us women in this province and I saw a need to fill it in some way. Fill it so that we could keep in touch, keep informed, and/or remain or become empowered. For those who know me, understanding my reason for doing a women's newsletter is not too difficult. For those who don't know me - well, you'll just have to get to know me!! I must admit though, I really did not know what I was getting myself into by taking on this project though. Unfortunately, it is taking far more than I have available to give - especially in terms of money, but also in time. But with more women coming forward to advertise and to help out things should, I hope, be under control soon. I have to emphasize to you all though, the newsletter must begin to pay for itself soon. (No, neither Deb or I make a cent off this and it is still costing me hundreds each month to produce and distribute.) So please, advertise... get your friends, boss, favourite business place, whoever, to advertise. It's real cheap.

Deb and I still are not sure what we are doing each month or if this is what women of Nova Scotia feel is what we need or want, so we're just doing it as best we can and making the changes as we go along. Certainly any advice or input would be greatly appreciated, so don't be shy if you have a suggestion or comment.

And now, because I am tired and also minutes from heading off to go to my ball game, I will leave you now with yet another quote I read somewhere which I think encompasses the reasons for the existence of Connection.

Quote of the Month

Women everywhere are making great strides in self-love and self-acceptance. We are learning self-love. The support we can give our sisters, and the support we receive, multiplies by many times the healthy energy created - healthy energy that touches us all.

—From Images of Ourselves: Common legacies of women
1995 engagement calendar

Cover illustration by Lisa Comeau. Thanks, Lisa! For more information on Reel Vision, see page 17.

Subscriptions

If you would like to receive this newsletter in the mail, subscriptions are ONLY \$8.00 a year - to cover shipping costs. It's costing a small fortune to ship the bulk orders around the province too, so if you'd like to send a little extra, Kelly would not mind.

Advertising rates

back cover (4 3/4 x 7 1/2) — \$100;
full page inside (4 1/2 x 7 1/2) — \$80;
half page inside (4 1/2 x 3 1/2) — \$40;
quarter page inside (4 1/2 x 1 3/4) — \$20.

Advertising helps us pay photocopying costs, phone bills, travel and mailing expenses.

Next issues

We are currently looking for information on the following topics for the next three months.

September: Women In/ And Education

October: Women in Sport

November: Women and kids

If you have any information or know of any resources on any of these subjects, please contact us. We'd love to hear from you.

Where can you get Connections?

all women's centres in NS
Atlantic News, Morris Street, Halifax, NS
Daily Grind, Spring Garden Road, Halifax, NS
Elizabeth Fry Society, 2830 Agricola Street, Halifax, NS
Eos Fine Foods, Wolfville, NS
Fresh Start Bed & Breakfast, 2720 Gottingen St, Halifax, NS
health food store, New Minas, NS
Institute for Study of Women, MSVU, 166 Bedford Highway, Halifax, NS
M'ik Maq Native Friendship Centre, 2158 Gottingen St, Halifax, NS
Mary Janes Alternative Tastes, 1313 Hollis St, Halifax, NS
Mi'kmaq Family Treatment Centre, Whycocomaugh First Nations Reserve, Inverness Co, NS
MSVU Centre for Women in Business, Leslie Pezzack, MSVU, Halifax, NS
Murray Manor, Joan Semple, Yarmouth, NS
North Branch Women's Group, c/o Halifax City Regional Library, 5381 Spring Garden Road Halifax, NS

North End Community Health Clinic, 2165 Gottingen St, Halifax, NS
NSACSW, 202-6169 Quinpool Road, Halifax, NS
NSCAD Women's Collective, NSCAD Student Union Office, 5163 Duke St, Halifax, NS
Odd Book, Wolfville, NS
Persons With AIDS Coalition, 5575 Spring Garden Rd Suite 300 Halifax, NS
Planned Parenthood Clinic, 6112 Quinpool Road, Halifax, NS
Planned Parenthood NS, 6156 Quinpool Rd Suite 100, Halifax, NS
Red Herring Co-op, 1578 Argyle Street, Halifax, NS
Satisfaction Feast, 1581 Granville St. Halifax, NS
Seekhers, 324 Main St, Wolfville, NS
Self Help Connection, 63 King St, Dartmouth, NS
Single Parent Centre, 3 Sylvia Ave, Halifax, NS
Soho Kitchen, 1582 Granville Street, Halifax, NS
Stepping Stone, 2224 Maitland St, Halifax, NS
Stonewall, Halifax, NS
Women & AIDS Project, Lord Nelson Arcade, 5675 Spring Garden Halifax, NS
Women Aware, Port Hawkesbury, NS
Women's Place, Lawrencetown, NS
YWCA, 1239 Barrington St, Halifax, NS

♀ ♀ WOMEN'S DANCE ♀ ♀

Saturday September 16th

8:30 pm - 1:30 am
Halifax Curling Club
South Bland Street

Halifax Ticket Outlets:
Red Herring Books
Entitlement Books
Stonewall Tavern

Advance \$7
Door \$9

Call 423-0264
to reserve tickets
if you live outside Metro
must be 19 years or older

CALENDHER

If you know of events of interest to womyn to be included in next month's Calendher, please let us know. We believe this could be one of the most useful sections of Connections: A Womyn's Monthly, but it will only work if you send us stuff!

Announcements

We Need HELP! Help Deb and Kelly plan, research, and distribute our next issue of Connections. At this point, we are planning to meet on the evening of September 7, 1995. Call Deb at 423-9475 or Kelly at 679-1051. (You can try my Cantel Cell phone at 452-0119 - but the #\$\$%@! thing does not work most of the time, so you'd be lucky to get through.)

Book Drive: The N.S. NDP Youth Wing has organized a book drive to provide for the Alliance Girls High School in Kikuyu, Kenya. So far they have collected over 500 books for shipment to Africa. Currently, they are seeking sponsors to pay for shipping the books, and yes, still collecting more books if you have any of those you would like to give. The school has no books to speak of to fill the new library completed by the government, so any and all reading materials are needed and welcomed. Call Catherine at 423-0343 or Michael at 422-3079 for more info. or to give money or books.

Volunteers are needed to work shifts at the **Red Herring Co-op Bookstore**, 1578 Argyle St., Halifax. (902) 422-5087 or drop by.

Reel Life: Women's Film & Video Festival. At this point the organizers are meeting weekly and would welcome volunteers. Screenings start in the second week of August. Volunteers can watch lots of films and videos and help decide on the content of the festival. For information call Kim at 453-3953.

Atlantic Film Festival. Needing volunteers. In various places in Halifax. Call 422-3456 and ask for Mary Elizabeth Luka.

Lesbian and Bisexual Women's Health Study. Dept. of Psychology, Mount St. Vincent U. A three year study, starting now, to find out about the health needs and experiences of lesbians and bisexual women in N.S. Cynthia Mathieson, psychology professor, is looking for women to participate in interviews with one of the research team members. Your stories will be taped and kept highly confidential. A small fee will be paid to the women who are interviewed. Interviews are arranged at a time and place that is most comfortable to the women being interviewed. For more info, call 457-6309 or write M.S.V.U., Halifax. B3M 2J6.

August

Story Time Players. : Michelle Hilton and Beth LaChance perform live theatre with lots of action. Michelle Hilton has a degree in English literature and music. She has performed in King Lear, Othello, and Nicholas Nickleby. Beth LaChance has studied theatre performance at Dalhousie and Concordia Universities and has performed in theatre, film, and television in the Maritimes, Montréal, and Toronto.

Thomas Raddall Library Tuesday, August 15 & 22/10:30 am
Main Library Wednesday, August 16 & 22/10:30 am
North Branch Library Thursday, August 17 & 24/10:30 am
Captain William Spry Library Friday, August 18 & 25/10:30 am

August 2-23: Practical presentations on Exporting to the U.S.: how to market your product in the U.S. Working Groups of women in business get together on Wednesday evenings starting at 7 o'clock and are limited to 12 participants. For information and to register, call 457-6271.

August 3-13: The Halifax International BUSKERS FESTIVAL on the Waterfront and Spring Garden Road.

August 4-7: Halifax & Dartmouth Natal Days. Call 425-7946 or 1-800-567-5277 for more information.

Aug 6-12: Michigan Women's Music Festival: Childcare, ASL interpreting, differently-abled resources. Write PO Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458 or call 616-757-4766.

August 9-13: Les Médiévales - Québec. An incredible voyage back in time as the Old Capital becomes a city of the Middle Ages. Horses and riders in Medieval garb journey from Boston and across the Eastern townships For more information call 1-800-363-777.

Aug 20 - Sept 2: Mountain Meadow Feminist Kids' Camp near Philadelphia: Multi-racial summer camp for girls and boys ages 9-14. Beautiful new site; 1 & 2 week sessions; sliding scale tuition. A chance for our kids to meet each other and celebrate our differences and similarities in a safe, fun setting. SASE to 35 West Mt Airy Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19119 or call 215-242-3037.

August 24-Sept 4: World Film Festival - Montréal. A major international event in the film world, an annual gathering-place for thousands of cinema fans. For more information call 1-800-363-777.

Aug 25 - 27: Annapolis Royal Area: Avalon East Pagan Gathering: Camping weekend featuring panels, workshops, drumming, songs, chants, etc. Contact AEPG P.O.Box 36135 Halifax B3J 3S9; 425-0628 Merlin's Pocket; on-line computer BBS-453-5482.

August 30-Sept 4: Atlantic Fringe Festival. Call 425-7946 or 1-800-567-5277 for more information.

TBA: Elderflower Womenspirit Festival in the Mendocino Woodlands, CA: Earth-centred spirituality retreat, reasonably priced, volunteer-run. Write PO Box 31627, San Francisco, CA 94131 or call 415-285-5669.

TBA: Women in Entertainment, Sports & Business: Workshops and expo in Los Angeles. PO Box 1600, Redondo Beach, CA 90278 or call 310-318-2144.

September

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September 9-10: Helen Creighton Folklore Festival, Halifax. Call 425-7946 or 1-800-567-5277 for more information.

September 19-24: Eastern Front Theatre, Halifax. Call 425-7946 or 1-800-567-5277 for more information.

September 22-30: Atlantic Film Festival. In various places in Halifax, there will be guides available. The Royal Bank ticket hotline number is 422-6965. The box office is at Red Herring Co-op Bookstore.

October

October 6 & 7: Access to Independence: a major exhibition focusing on products, services, and programs for people with disabilities. At the World Trade and Convention Centre. Very inexpensive. call 902-425-8326, fax 902-492-1213, TTY 902-425-8326.

October 23-29: Reel Life: Women's Film & Video Festival. Call 453-3953 (Kim) for details.

Monthly/Weekly Meetings

1st Sunday of each month. **Valley Lesbian Association:** Call Emily at 902-542-2287 Ext. 2140 (Note: The voice mail is not 100% confidential) for information.

2nd Sunday of each month. **Juka (N.S. Black Lesbian, Gay, and Bi Association).** Call 429-7922 for details.

Every Sunday. **Safe Harbour MCC.** 7:30 pm in the Universalist Unitarian Church, 5500 Inglis St., Hfx. Call 454-2522.

Every Sunday. **Truro Lesbian Support Group.** 7 pm. 897-6722 for info.

Every Monday. **Halifax Gay AA.** 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Basilica. Spring Garden Rd., Hlfx. Call 461-1119 for details.

2nd and 4th Monday. **Humans Against Homophobia.** Meets from 5:30 - 7:00 in Rm #302 Dal Sub, University Ave, Hlfx. All sexual/gender orientations welcome. Call 494-6662.

Women's Recovery Support Group meets Tuesdays 6-7:30 pm. 4th Floor Lord Nelson Bldg, Drug Dependency Office, 5675 Spring Garden Road. Hfx. Contact Kathleen Howell, 424-5920.

Outlet. Lesbians, gays, and bi's meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday in Wolfville. Charlene 542-2287 Ext. 140.

Women's Group for Young Lesbian and Bisexual Women (25 & under). First & third Tuesday of the month. Drop-in/social from 6-7 pm. Meeting at 7 pm at Planned Parenthood NS offices, 6156 Quinpool Rd., Hfx. Call Maura 492-0444 for info.

North Branch Women's Group. Wednesdays at 10 am. Join us at the North Branch Library on Wednesday mornings for two hours of friendly conversation, film, and discussion on what affects you. All women welcome, the coffee and tea are always on! For further information contact Tina Robertson at 421-6987.

FLAG general meeting. 2nd Wednesday of each month. 7 pm, rm F108 of the Science Library Concourse, UNB campus, Fredericton. Phone 457-2156 for details.

NGALE General Meeting. 2nd Wednesday. 7:30 pm at Newfoundland and Labrador AIDS Committee offices, 347 Duckworth St, 6th floor, St. John's. Bring a friend. 579-8656.

Last Wednesday. **Central Nova Lesbians and Gays Group** regular meeting. Call 893-2579 for details.

Every Friday. **Stepping Out** Al-anon. 7:30 pm, 6225 Willow St, Hfx.

GLAS (Gays and Lesbian Association for Support) every 1st and 3rd Sat. 7:30 pm in the Student Common Rm. Grenfell College, Corner Brook. 634-1066 for more info.

Requests for writing:

Harvard Review: The Harvard Educational Review is publishing a special issue on the topic of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and transgendered people in education. This call for papers is being encouraged by the editorial boards in response to the growing climate of homophobia. Deadline Sept. 1, 1995. 617-495-3432 or fax 617-496-3584

Anthology exploring fat oppression and experiences of fat lesbians. Stories, poetry, essays, cartoons, etc. Deadline October 15, 1995. Contact: Womyn at Large, 340 Howland Ave, Toronto, ON., M5R 3B9

Author of forthcoming book, "Secret Lives, Secret Loves", seeks submissions from couples or partners who are still in the closet. How has this affected your life and relationships with family and friends in particular? For more info or for a questionnaire, write Joanne at 10 Pondsview Dr., Willowdale, Ont. M2J 4B4 and confidentiality is assured.

Recovering Feminists Wanted!!! Women & Recovery: Surviving, Thriving & Reclaiming Your Body, Mind & Spirit. 48 pg qtrly pub, encourages, supports, & informs women who are confronting emotional, physical, or spiritual challenges. Want your stories, poems, photos. We pay \$\$\$. Sample issue \$5. Sub \$24/yr. SASE for guidelines, ad rates, wholesale/bulk prices. W & R, POB 151947-7, Cupertino, CA 95015-1947.

Might you be interested?!

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Year-round work exchange at women's B&B (LOO, Hawaii). Rural area near Hilo & Volcano Nat'l Park. Housekeeping, yard work. Prefer healthy/happy/energetic/nature-loving women. Commitment of 1-3 months. Butterfly Inn, Box J, Kurtistown, HI 96760 or call (808) 966-7936.

Atlantic Women's Fishnet. Is a group which would like to form a network of women in the Atlantic provinces concerned about the fishery and the current crises in our coastal communities. Women's voices have been excluded from government, research and planning in regard to the fishery. We operate as a collective and would like to hear from groups and individuals who are interested in exchanging information and working together to help each coastal community weather the fisheries crisis. Contact: Brenda Morash. 40 Scott's Rd., McGrath's Cove, N.S. B0J 3L0

Room to rent in Kentville. Large space to share with two other women. Must be lesbian friendly. Bedroom is \$225 all inclusive except food and phone. Must be clean and quiet and a non-smoker. We are animal friendly. Call 679-1051 for more details.

Films & Movies

More and more women today are developing, writing and directing films and videos. More and more women are watching them, in theatres and auditoriums, community halls and church basements. And more and more women are using them to organize for social change.

The issues treated in films and videos are as diverse and open-ended as the interests of the women's movement as a whole. Women media producers are exposing the extent of violence against women, through battering and rape. They look at women's isolation in the home. They argue for control over our bodies in matters of birth control, childbearing and rearing, and sexuality. They look at the successes, too: women's contributions to history and the arts, participation in labour organizing, and roles within the family.

—from *Images in Action* by Ferne Cristall and Barbara Emanuel)

Here are lists of some of the movies, films and videos we found in which you may be interested. At the end, there's also a list of places you might want to check to find even more.

Women of Colour

Black Mother Black Daughter - NFB
Daughters of The Dust
Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief - NFB
Higher Learning
Joy Luck Club
Keepers of the Fire [First Nations] - NFB
Like Water for Chocolate
Mother of Many Children [First Nations] - NFB
No Time To Stop [Immigrant Women] - NFB
Older Stronger Wiser [Black Women] - NFB
Remember Africville [Black Women] - NFB
Rising to the Challenge [Media Effects] - NFB
Sisters in the Struggle [Black Women, Politics] - NFB
The Colour Purple
Women in the Shadows [First Nations] - NFB



Business

Enterprising Women - NFB
A Web Not a Ladder - NFB
Women's World Bank - NFB

Abuse

The Battered Child - NFB
Sandra's Garden [Child Abuse] - NFB
To a Safer Place [Child Abuse] - NFB
Twice Condemned [Law, Child Abuse] - NFB

Child Rearing

Baby Blues [Pregnancy, Parenting] - NFB
Playing For Keeps [Pregnancy, Parenting] - NFB
Without Work [Single Mothers] - NFB
Abortion for Survival [Pro-choice] - NFB
Abortion - NFB
Battleground for N.S. [Abortion] - NFB
Making Perfect Babies - NFB

Disabled Women

The Impossible Takes a Little Longer [Employment] - NFB
Making Perfect Babies - NFB
Toward Intimacy - NFB
Widening the Circle [Self-esteem, Education, Media, Disabled Women, Race Relations, Sexes] - NFB

Crones

Company of Strangers - NFB
Elders Ourselves [Caregiving] - NFB
Maintaining Seniors' Independence Through Home [Aging] - NFB
The Power of Time [Aging] - NFB

MASSAGE Therapy

Nancy McKinnell, RMT
Certified Massage Therapist

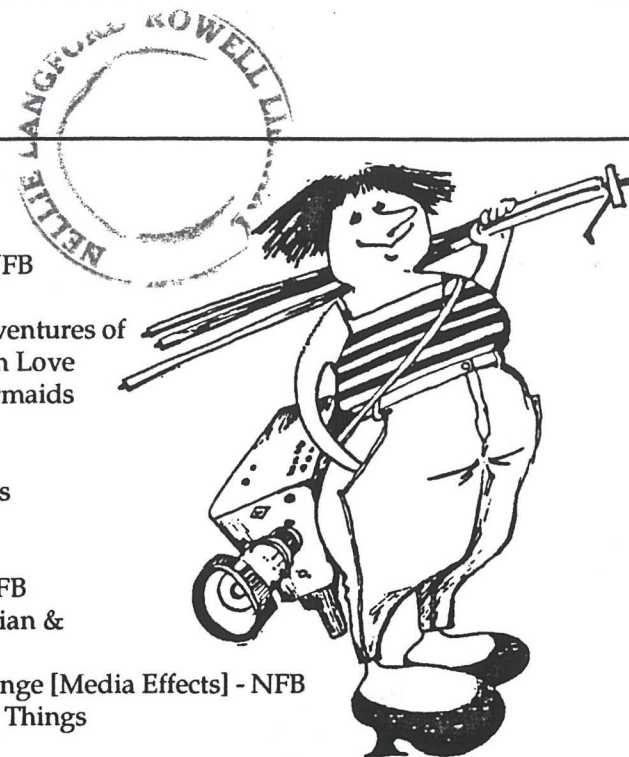
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Brunswick Street Centre
2281 Brunswick Street
Halifax, NS B3K 2Y9

422-0087 ext. 45

Lesbian Films

Claire of The Moon
Coming Out
Desert Hearts
Forbidden Love - NFB
Go Fish
Incredibly True Adventures of
Two Girls Falling in Love
I've Heard The Mermaids
Singing
Isabelle & Therese
Last Call at Maude's
Long Walk Home
Nice Girls
Out in America - NFB
Out: Stories of Lesbian &
Gay Youth - NFB
Rising to the Challenge [Media Effects] - NFB
She Must be Seeing Things
Stone Butch Blues
Two in Twenty: Lesbian Soap Opera
Waiting for The Moon
When Night is Falling



Lesbians: the incredibly true adventure of 2 girls in love: a story about making out, hiding out, and coming out. A Fine Line Features film to be released in the summer of '95.

Out in South Africa: part documentary, travelogue, and part experimental. Documenting the queer movement in South Africa. 1994. 51 minutes/video/colour. Distributed by Barbara Hammer, 55 Bethune St. #114G, New York, NY 10014.

Playing The Part ('for the family'). 1994. 38 minutes/16mm film/colour. Distributed by Run Features, 153 Waverly St., Sixth Floor, New York, NY Tel: 212-243-0600 Fax: 212-989-7649

Let's Hear It For The Girl: profiles parents of queer children and how they have come to understand their offspring. This 24 minute video can be had for \$39.95 from Woman Vision, 3145 Geary Blvd., Box 421, San Francisco CA 94118 Tel: 415-346-2336.

Addiction

An Easy Pill to Swallow - NFB
Rising to the Challenge [Media Effects] - NFB

Education

Careers to Discover - NFB
Inequity in The Classroom [Sexism] - NFB
No Time To Stop [Immigrant Women] - NFB
Raising Young Voices [Sexism Education] - NFB
The Impossible Takes a Little Longer [Employment] - NFB
What's Wrong With This Picture [Media, Sexism, Violence] - Mediawatch
Widening the Circle [Self-esteem, Education, Media, Disabled Women, Race Relations, Sexes] - NFB
Without Work [Single Mothers] - NFB

Young Women

Baby Blues [Pregnancy, Parenting] - NFB
The Famine Within [Eating Disorders] - NFB
Loving & Hurting [Dating Abuse] - NFB
Out: Stories of Lesbian & Gay Youth - NFB
Playing For Keeps [Pregnancy, Parenting] - NFB
Raising Young Voices [Sexism Education] - NFB
Rising to the Challenge [Media Effects] - NFB
Street Kids [Prostitution] - NFB
Talk 16 - NFB
Thin Dreams [Eating Disorders] - NFB
Thinking Positive [HIV, Adolescence Sexuality] - NFB
What do You Mean [Adolescence Sexuality & Language] - NFB
Widening the Circle [Self-esteem, Education, Media, Disabled Women, Race Relations, Sexes] - NFB
Without Work [Single Mothers] - NFB



ACTORS to watch for

Alfre Woodard
Amanda Donahoe
Andie McDowell
Angela Lansbury
Angelica Houston
Ann Archer
Ann Jillian
Anne Bancroft
Annette Benning
Audrey Hepburn
Barbara Streisand
Bette Midler
Betty Davis
Bonnie Bedilia
Brett Butler (Grace Under Fire)
Candice Bergman
Carol Burnett
Cher
Cicely Tyson
Debbie Allen
Deborah Winger
Demi Moore
Dena Delanie
Diane Keaton
Dolly Parton
Elizabeth Taylor
Ellen Degeneres
Emma Thomson
Faye Donoway
Felicia Rashad
Gilda Radner
Gina Davis
Ginger Rogers
Glen Close
Goldie Hawn
Greta Garbo
Helen Hunt
Holly Hunter
Irene Cara
Jackie (black woman)
Jane Fonda
Jane Seymour
Janet Leigh
Jessica Lang
Jessica Tandy
Jody Foster
Julie Andrews
Katherine Hepburn
Kathleen Turner
Kathy Bates
Kelly McGillis
Kristie McNickol
Lauren Hutton
Lilly Tomlin
Linda Hamilton
Lindsey Wagner
Liza Minelli
Lorraine Bracco
Lucille Ball
Mae West
Marissa Tomei
Marlene Matlin
Mary Louise Parker
Mary Pickford
Mary Stuart Masterson
Meg Ryan
Megan Follows
Mercedes Ruehl
Meryl Streep
Moira Kelly
Olympia Dukakis
Roseanne Barr
Rosie O'Donnell
Sally Field
Sandra Bullock
Shirley McLean
Sigourney Weaver
Sissy Spacek
Susan Sarandon
Vanessa Redgrave
Whoopi Goldberg
Winona Ryder

Films which are affirming for women

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 9 to 5 | Life is Sweet |
| Accused | Little Women |
| Agnes of God | Long Time Comin' |
| Anne of Green Gables | Lorenzo's Oil |
| Annie | Manon of the Spring |
| Bad Girls | Men Don't Leave |
| Beaches | Paper Bag Princess |
| Boys on the Side | Passion Fish |
| Burning Times | Postcards from the Edge |
| Children of a Lessor God | River Wild |
| Coal Miners Diner | Room With a View |
| Corrina Corrina | Salmonberries |
| Cotton Fields | Secret Garden |
| Diary of Anne Frank | Seven Sinners |
| Driving Miss Daisy | Shirley Valentine |
| Even Cowgirls get the Blues | Silkwood |
| Freaky Friday | Sister Act |
| Fried Green Tomatoes | Some Kind of Wonderful |
| Funny Girl | Stealing Home |
| Gas Food Lodging | Steel Magnolias |
| Goddess Remembered | Thelma & Louise |
| Gorillas in The Mist | Truly, Madly, Deeply |
| Higher Learning | Welcome Home Roxy Carmichael |
| Joan of Arc | Wisecracks |
| La Femme Nakita | When Shirley Met Florence |
| League of Their Own | Wish you were here |
| Leaving Normal | Witches of Eastwick |
| Legend of Billy Joe | Wizard of Oz |
| | Yentel |



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Bed & Breakfast
Yarmouth, N.S.

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Connections: A Womyn's Monthly

Film Festivals

with a focus on women or a section of by, for, and about women films

Women's Reel Vision

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902-453-3953

Reel Life Film and Video Festival Oct. 23-29, 1995.

Women's Reel Vision is a group of feminist women whose common goal is to promote women's expressions of their distinct perspectives.

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Atlantic Film Festival Fax 422-4006; Royal Bank Ticket Hot Line: 422-6965. Sept 22-30. Looking for volunteers, call Mary Elizabeth Luka at 422-3456. Call any time. Will be screening some films by, for and about women at various locations in Halifax. Guides will be available. Box office at Red Herring Co-op Bookstore, 1587 Argyle Street.

For more information

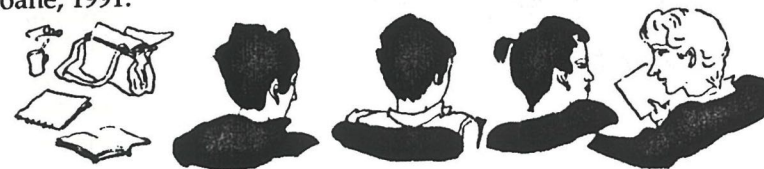
Images in the dark: an encyclopedia of gay and lesbian film and video Raymond Murray, 1994, 573p.

Available at the Red Herring bookstore.

Images in the dark has a large amount of information about film and video as well as directors, independent filmmakers, and actors. There are short reviews of many films and videos illustrated with black and white film stills. There are short biographies of some directors and actors. There is a good index and a short bibliography. It seems to be a well organized and informative book. The author worked with some women to ensure that the lesbian content was acceptable to them.

Other books about film at the Red Herring:

- *Women's Pictures: Feminism and Cinema* by Annette Kuhn, 1994.
- *Flaming Blackness: the African American Image in Film* by Ed Guerrero, 1993.
- *Femmes Fatales: Feminism, Film Theory, Psychoanalysis* by Mary Ann Doane, 1991.



Connections: A Womyn's Monthly

National Film Board 426-6001 5474 Spring Garden Rd, B3J 1G2 1-800-267-7710

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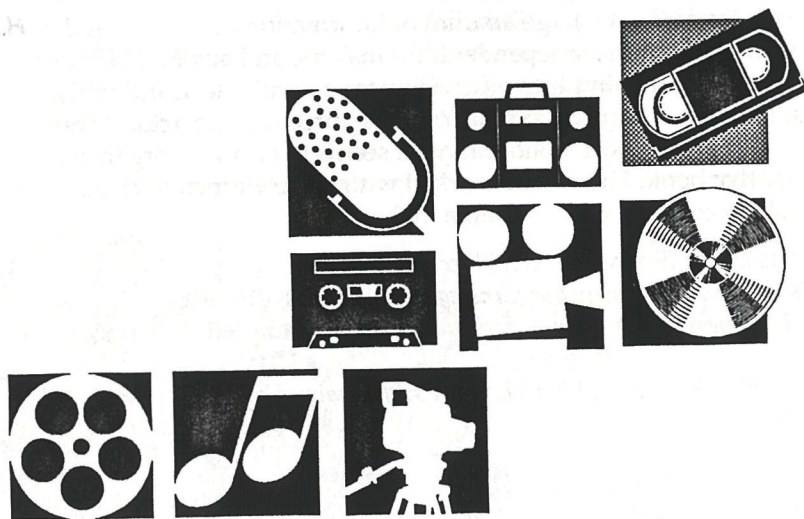
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Cher
Cheryl Crow
Chris Williamson
Crissy Hine
Desiree
Dianna Ross
Dionne Warwick
Edith Piaf
Ella Fitzgerald
Enya
Faith Nolan
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Gladys Knight
Gloria Estefan
Heather Bishop
Holly Near
Indigo Girls
Janet Jackson
Janis Joplin
Jann Arden
Jessie Norman
Joan Baez
Joni Mitchell
Judds
Judy Small
Julia Fordam
k.d. lang

these lists were compiled by a group of ♀ - Heather, Lisa, Manny, Stef, Nic + Kelly - sitting around a room brainstorming. Who have we missed? Kelly at Alternative Screenprinting will give one free t-shirt to the woman who mails us the most additions to our lists.

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Loreena McKennitt
Loretta Lynn
Luba
Marion Anderson
Mary Chapin Carpenter
Meg Christian
Melissa Etheridge
Michelle Wright
Nana Mouskoura
Natalie Cole
Oleta Adams
Patsy Cline
Patty Page
Plum Tree
Queen Latifah
Reba McEntyre
Rebecca West
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Sass Jordan
Sinead
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Susan Aglukark
Susan Vega
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Whitney Houston
Wynona Judd

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Women's Music Festivals

Canadian Women's Music Festival: 161 Stafford St., #2D, Winnipeg, Manitoba. R3M 2W9

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival: WWTMC, P.O. Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458

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Heartsong Review: P.O. Box 1084, Cottage Grove, OR 97424: a resource guide for new age music of the spirit, written by and for consumers. Includes detailed reviews of music in many styles and spiritual orientations. \$4 for sample.

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Fun time

Do you know who wrote or said any of these lines?

1. As far as I'm concerned, being any gender is a drag.
2. I would like to say that the first time Adam had a chance he laid the blame on woman.
3. Noble deeds and hot baths are the best cures for depression.
4. Whether women are better than men I cannot say—but I can say they are certainly no worse.
5. It's not true that life is one damn thing after another—it's one damn thing over and over.
6. It was so cold I almost got married.
7. It doesn't matter what you do in the bedroom as long as you don't do it in the street and frighten the horses.
8. Marriage removes the illusion, deeply embedded previously, that somewhere there is a soul-mate.
9. I was a fantastic student until ten, then my mind began to wander.
10. The perfect hostess will see to it that the works of male and female authors be properly separated on her bookshelves. Their proximity, unless the authors happen to be married, should not be tolerated.
11. Some of us are becoming the men we wanted to marry.
12. People call me a feminist whenever I express sentiments that differentiate me from a doormat.
13. Whatever women do, they must do as twice as well as men to be thought half as good. Luckily, this is not difficult.
14. I became a feminist as an alternative to becoming a masochist.
15. Honey, I've been richer and I've been poor. Rich is better.

Answers



1. Patti Smith (b. 1943) American singer
2. Nancy Astor (1879-1964) British politician
3. Dodie Smith (b. 1896) English playwright
4. Golda Meir (1898-1978) Israeli stateswoman
5. Edna St. Vincent Millay (1892-1952) American poet
6. Shelley Winters (b. 1922) American actress
7. Mrs. Patrick Campbell (1865-1940) English actress
8. Paula Modersohn-Becker (1876-1907) German painter
9. Grace Paley (b. 1922) American writer
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11. Gloria Steinem (1981)
12. Rebecca West
13. Charlotte Whitton, mayor of Ottawa
14. Sally Kempton
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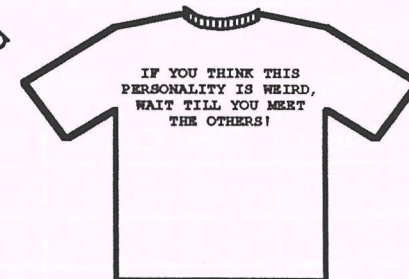
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