

# A PUBLIC FORUM TO DISCUSS **PROSTITUTION** AND CREATING THE CONDITIONS TO END IT

**Hear from experts, people impacted,  
and law enforcement.**

## **Speakers:**

**Cherry Smiley**, An indigenous woman from Nlaka'pamux and Diné Nations, is an expert on prostitution and how it impacts indigenous women in Canada.

**Trisha Baptie**, from Vancouver, British Columbia, has been on the front lines of the prostitution issue for most of her life. Whether it was in her years as a prostituted woman or her abolitionist work as an exited woman, she is passionate about giving a voice to women who are missing or murdered and flipping the prostitution conversation to look at the demand for paid sexual access to women and girls' bodies.

**Jennifer Holleman**, a mother from the Yarmouth area, whose daughter was trafficked, tortured, and died in a car accident at the hands of a drunk prostitute.

**Linda MacDonald & Jeanne Sarson**, grass root supporters, published authors on non-State torture & human trafficking victimization and its sexualization.

**Janine Benedet**, is Professor of Law at the Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia. Her research focuses on legal responses to sexual violence against women, including sexual assault, prostitution, pornography and sexual harassment. She also works as a pro bono lawyer for women's groups in legal cases involving sexual violence.

**The Royal Canadian Mounted Police Human Trafficking Coordinator's** role is to track human trafficking across Canada with a focus of how it looks in Nova Scotia.

**Sgt. Kathryn Willett**, is the lead officer for Halifax Integrated Vice.

**Information** on the speakers, forum agenda, and relevant background materials will be posted on the Tri County Women's Centre website: [www.tricountywomenscentre.org](http://www.tricountywomenscentre.org)

Feel free to **contact us** with any questions you may have at: **1-877-742-0085**

## **This forum is a collaboration between:**

Tri County Women's Centre  
Persons Against Non-State Torture  
Nova Scotians for the Prevention of Prostitution and Human Trafficking  
Halifax Regional Police-Victims' Services  
Antigonish Women's Resource and Sexual Assault Centre

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Halifax Central  
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Auditorium

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**\*Lunch not provided\***

