



January Newsletter

Updates, events, and recommended reading from Women Transforming Cities.



Happy new year! We hope that you had a restful end to December as you gear up for all that's to come in this next chapter. Our team is back from a holiday break and can't wait to get started on all our projects and campaigns this year.

We are so proud of what our community accomplished last year. Take a look at all of the events, organizing, and civic literacy workshops we put on in 2023.

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS



480

Participants reached through civic engagement workshops



29

Individuals trained and spoke to council



30

Motions & reports tracked for the Hot Pink Paper Campaign



700

Downloads of the TRC Calls to Action in BC Municipalities report



350

Individuals reached through 5 workshops on TRC report findings



6

New partnerships developed



26

Civic participation + community organizing workshops delivered



150

Members across the organization



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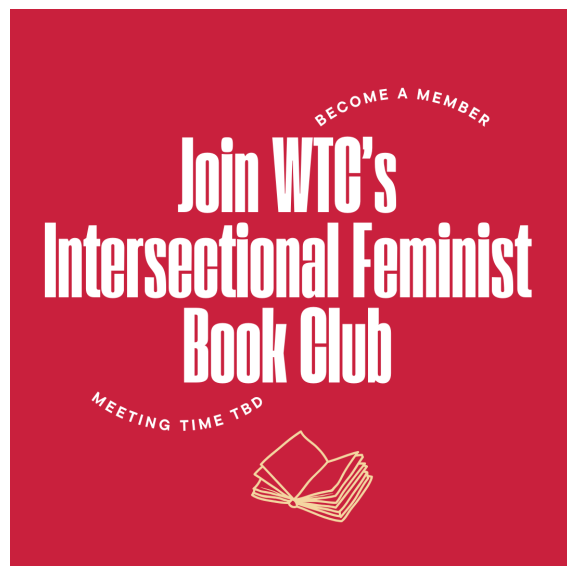
If you want to be a part of this work in 2024, we'd love to have you as an [active member](#) of our community.

In solidarity,
WTC

[Updates from WTC](#)

Join our Book Club!

Are you a WTC member? If so, our first book club meeting of the year is coming back! We'll be discussing [When Women Were Dragons](#) and can't wait to hear what you think. If you can't make it this time, join us for the next book by emailing info@womentransformingcities.org



Upcoming Events

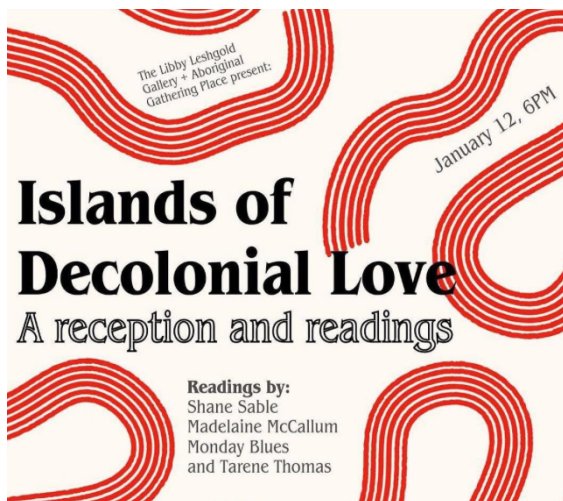


Engaging Marginalized Communities in Municipal Climate Planning

Climate Caucus is hosting an online event on **Wednesday, January 10 at 11:00 AM (PST)** featuring three speakers from our friends at [BC Poverty Reduction Coalition](#), Megan MacLean, Program Manager of the Climate Action Team at the City of Toronto, and the City of Vancouver's Manager of Democratic Engagement, Danielle Johnston. Tune in to their discussion about addressing the challenges of community engagement for marginalized communities in municipal planning.

[Register](#)

Islands of Decolonial Love - a reception and readings



Visit the Libby Leshgold Gallery and Aboriginal Gathering Place (520 East 1st Avenue) on **Friday, January 12 at 6:00 PM** in celebration of Indigenous artist Leanne Betasamosake Simpson who is presenting the 30th Annual Hopper Lecture *Theories of Water-Using Michi Saagiig Nishnaabe Consciousness to Dismantle the Present Moment*. Afterwards, listen to live monologues by Shane Sable, Madelaine McCallum, Monday Blues and Tarene Thomas.

[More Info](#)



BWSS January Lineup

Take a look at all of the incredible events that BWSS is hosting in January to help support the work of ending gender-based violence. Whether you are a first-responder, legal advocate, or simply someone looking to enhance your trauma-informed practices these 1 day workshops are a great resource. Learn more and register at their website strategicinterventions.ca

[More Info](#)

Art Auction for Gaza

Drop off your art to Massy Arts Society before **January 15th** for their online art auction fundraiser whose proceeds go to two families in Gaza. All of the art pieces will be up for auction **online**



from January 18th until Jan 31st at midnight. Or head down to the massy Arts Society (23 E. Pender St.) to see the in-person auction on **Feb 1st, from 6-9 PM.**

[More Info](#)

Read, Watch, & Learn

- Amplify [Sher Vancouver's press release](#) announcing their formal complaint amid concerns of hate and queerphobia in recall efforts against BC Minister of Education
- Donate directly to Islamic Relief Canada to help provide emergency aid to Gaza using [this link](#) and send the receipt to info@massybooks.com and Massy Books will match your donation this month!
- Send a letter to our federal leaders and [support the Feminist Housing Agenda here](#)
- Read the Canadian Council of Muslim Women's new report [Erasing Barriers, Enhancing Safety: A Review of Systems and Strategies for Supporting Muslim Women and Girls Facing Gender-based Violence](#)



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x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam) Nations.

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