

ONLINE SEXUAL VIOLENCE

MAY 27 2015



THE SEXUAL ASSAULT NETWORK'S 2015 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY WILL LOOK AT THE COMPLEX ISSUE OF ONLINE SEXUAL VIOLENCE.

We know that over recent years this topic has been rocketed into public discussion, and as the dialogue continues, so to do the complexities of this issue.

The objective of this professional development day is to provide a space for attendees to enhance their understandings of online sexual violence. Some key subjects which will be addressed are:

- The legal landscape regarding online sexual violence
- How various platforms are used to perpetuate violence
- Consent, Empowerment, and Risk online
- A parent's perspective on consent & online spaces
- Negotiating social norms in online spaces
- Considerations of safety issues online

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The training will be continuing the conversation about online sexual violence, looking at how issues intersect with each other (law, safety, emotional impacts, etc...) If you are a teacher, youth worker, social worker, student, community developer, gender rights advocate, or counsellor, then this day will further nuance your understanding of how sexual violence occurs online. [Check out our speakers below to learn more about possible learning moments.](#)

EVENT INFORMATION

DATE: MAY 27, 2015

TIME: 8:30AM (Registration), 9:00AM -3:30PM

LOCATION: CITY OF OTTAWA ARCHIVES (100 Tallwood Drive)

COST

EARLY BIRD RATE (UNTIL MAY 13, 2015) **\$60**

REGULAR RATE (MAY 14 BEYOND) **\$75**

STUDENT RATE (WITH ID AT THE DOOR) **\$35**

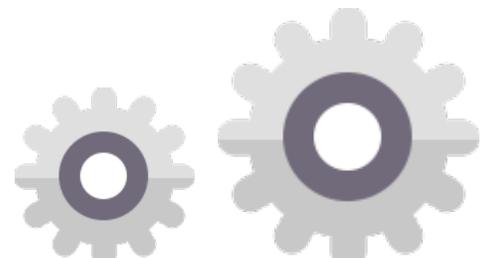
light morning refreshments and lunch will be provided

SNEAK PEEK AT OUR SPEAKERS

We are please to welcome some diverse speakers to this event, who have been champions in expanding the conversation regarding online sexual violence.

ALEXA DODGE is a PhD student in the Law and Legal Studies department at Carleton University. She is presently researching the effect that social media has on the perpetration and experience of sexual violence and how the law is attempting to respond to these changes. **Potential Learning Moments:** Intro to the changing legal landscape, legal challenges and shortcomings, and case study examples of online sexual violence and victim experiences with the law.

MIKE REYNOLDS is first and foremost, a dad to two daughters who he is constantly encouraging to colour outside the lines. In addition to his "day job" as a communications professional, he writes about parenting on his own site, puzzlingposts.com. Additionally, he is a contributor to Huffington Post, MariaShriver.com and The Yummy Mummy Club and others. **Potential Learning Moments:** understanding a parenting perspective and how to incorporate theoretical conversations about consent into daily life.



DILLON BLACK is a gender-nonconforming anti-violence advocate and social worker who is interested in structural social work, and is currently the Ottawa Coalition to End Violence Against Women's Cyberviolence & Youth Project Coordinator. Dillon is passionate about youth-centered initiatives and building capacity for community as a tool to educate and transform. **Potential Learning Moment:** Intro to the changing legal landscape, legal challenges and shortcomings, and case study examples of online sexual violence and victim experiences with the law.

NASREEN RAJANI is a PhD student in the school of Journalism and Communication at Carleton University. She earned her MA in Women's and Gender Studies focusing her research on young women's perceptions of contemporary feminist politics via popular feminist blogs. Nazarene is also the co-founder of the interdisciplinary Women and Technology Conference at Carleton University, which brings together researchers in the social sciences, humanities, applied sciences and STEM fields. **Potential Learning Moments:** How online spaces can be used as positive spaces, how online spaces impact social norms.

JULIE LALONDE is a feminist activist, public educator and women's rights advocate. Julie travels the province, talking to folks about sexual violence and bystander intervention as manager of Draw-the-line.ca, a provincial campaign. **Potential Learning Moments:** Why we need to talk more about "online sexual violence" and less about "sexting", concrete ways to talk to youth about it and ways to engage bystanders.



HOW TO REGISTER?

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