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Rights & Democracy Network Atlantic Regional Event : Religion, Gender and Human Rights

TIME	EVENT & LOCATION
7:00 - 10:00PM	Opening Hoopla Grad House (upstairs) - <i>University and Le Marchant</i> Includes a pizza dinner and welcome by Dalhousie Delegation
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9:00 – 9:30am	Continental Breakfast & Welcome John Slocombe, Rights & Democracy Delegation at Dalhousie University Geneviève Paul, Liaison Officer, Rights & Democracy Network, Rights & Democracy Rowe Management Building, Room 5053 6100 University Ave
9:30 – 10:30am	Keynote address Ann E. Smith, Burchell Yayman Parish, Law Firm With the participation of Michael Noonan, Acting Director & CEO, N.S. Human Rights Commission <i>Non-discrimination and Religion</i> Rowe Management Building, Room 5053 6100 University Ave
10:30 – 10:45am	Nutritional Break
10:45 – 11:15am	Guest Speaker Cathy Holtmann, St. Thomas University <i>Resistance is Beautiful: The Growth of the Catholic Network for Women's Equality in NB and the international movement for women's equality in the Catholic Church</i>
11:15 - 12:30pm	Student Panel Discussion Theme: Religion and Human Rights Meredith Henley, Dalhousie University <i>The role of religion in the construction of meaning surrounding the October 2005 mudslides in Santiago Atitlan</i> Erin Wilson, St. Thomas University <i>The effectiveness of the Dhammayietra peace march on the human rights of the Cambodian people</i> Trisha Dempsey, University of Kings College <i>India's enduring caste system: Discrimination continues</i> Katie MacDonald, St. Thomas University <i>Painting Churches: Development work in Ecuador</i>

<p>12:30 - 2:00pm</p>	<p>Luncheon Keynote address Kim Turcotte, Assistant to the Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Expression, African Commission for Human and Peoples' Rights <i>Religion and Freedom of Expression in the African Context</i></p>
<p>2:00 - 2:15pm</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>2:15 - 3:15pm</p>	<p>Student Panel Discussion Theme: Gender and Human Rights</p> <p>Brittany Turcotte, St. Thomas University <i>Rape: a New Weapon of War?</i></p> <p>Mark Gouthro, Dalhousie University Law School <i>US War on Sexual Orientation – Don't Ask Don't Tell</i></p> <p>Daphne Keevil Harrold, Dalhousie University Law School <i>Legal Empowerment Strategies in Bangladesh: Empowering Women and Poor People through Legal Means</i></p>
<p>3:15 – 3:30pm</p>	<p>Nutritional Break</p>
<p>3:30 – 4:30pm</p>	<p>Panel Discussion Theme: Development and Human Rights</p> <p>Michael Tharamangalam and Shane J.D. Gallagher, Dalhousie University <i>Fair trade in conflict zones – a stabilizing influence?</i></p> <p>Ayesha Harji, Dalhousie University <i>The Effect of 9/11 on Public Policy and Human Rights</i></p> <p>Ruba Moubarak, Dalhousie University <i>The Right to Development</i></p>
<p>4:30 – 6:00pm</p>	<p>Break/Prepare for Dinner</p>
<p>6:00 – 7:00pm</p>	<p>Dinner The University Club, <i>Alumni Crescent</i></p>
<p>7:00 – 9:00</p>	<p>Movie session and discussion Me and the Mosque The University Club, <i>Alumni Crescent</i></p>
<p>10:00 – 1:00am</p>	<p>Social Mingler Dooley's Pool Hall (across from the Lord Nelson) 5686 Spring Garden Road</p>

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<p>10 :00 – 11: 00</p>	<p>Brunch Lord Nelson Hotel, Belleisle Room 1515 South Park Street</p>
<p>11:00 – 12:30</p>	<p>Interactive Workshop on the UN Human Rights System Sarah Tougher Lord Nelson Hotel, Belleisle Room 1515 South Park Street</p>
<p>12:30 – 12:45</p>	<p>Closing thoughts</p>