CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY 2009

Tuesday 10 March 2009

On behalf of Professor Margaret Gardner, Vice Chancellor and President, the Equity and Diversity Committee extend an invitation to you to attend RMIT’s 2009 International Women’s Day (IWD) Celebrations.

The first IWD was held on 19 March 1911 when over a million European women united and called for the right to vote, the right to work and to hold public office. This rally was motivated by a protest held by women in New York on 8 March 1908 rebelling against poor working conditions and child labour.

In December 1977 the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution proclaiming a United Nations Day for Women’s Rights and International Peace. The colours that represent International Women’s Day were voted on at an international conference for women held in 1910. Green represents hope and new life, violet represents dignity and self respect, and white represents purity.

For further information visit www.rmit.edu.au/pc/IWD

Key Note Address and Luncheon

Time
11.30 am – 2 pm

Venue
Storey Hall
336 Swanston Street
Melbourne

- An exhibition of student and alumni art will be on display
- Key note speaker is Joumanah El Matrah, Manager of the Islamic Women’s Welfare Council of Victoria
- Kate Luckins and Juliette Anich – ‘The Clothing Exchange’.

A gold coin donation collected at the event will support the Clare Burton Memorial Lecture series.

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