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NEWS RELEASE

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Although advance registration for the "Women's Work" conference which opens at Cariboo College Friday evening (March 6) has been substantial, some openings are still available for the ten workshops to be held on Saturday.

Attendance is expected to run well over 100, according to Sandy Northrup, chairperson of the Community Advisory Committee to the College's Women's Access Centre. Participants are coming from areas as distant as Penticton and Hope.

She announced at the same time a change in Keynote speakers. Ruth Emery, acting chief of programs and policies research in the Vancouver office of Employment and Immigration Canada, will speak Friday evening on "Women's Position in the Paid Labour Force---Is It Really Getting Better?"

The previously announced keynote speaker, Jo Mitchell, has had to change her plans because of a late Federal Government assignment that will retain her in Vancouver.

Ms. Emery, an economist, is a graduate of the University of Manchester (England), who has held positions of increasing responsibility with the CEIC since joining the agency in 1970.

Her address will be followed by a discussion period and by entertainment featuring Nahida, a professional performer and instructor in Middle Eastern folkloric and belly dancing.

Saturday will be devoted to three sets of specialized workshops and concluding plenary session. The \$10 full conference registration fee includes lunch on Saturday.

Those who wish to attend only the Friday evening or the Saturday sessions may do so at a reduced fee.

Further information is available from the Women's Access Centre, or the Student Services office at the College.

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