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Description: Continuing the 'herlarious' International Women's Day tradition, The Centre will once again be host to another night of fantastic female comics in the ever-hysterical I Am Woman - Hear Me Laff, with headliner Debra DiGiovanni!

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Debra DiGiovanni Headlines I Am Woman Hear Me Laff!!

CHILLIWACK, BC— Get ready for another incredible night of sizzling, fast-paced humour and wit as *I Am Woman! Hear Me Laff!* returns to the Chilliwack Cultural Centre in celebration of International Women's Day with award winning headliner Debra DiGiovanni! On **March 8**, a dynamic lineup of comedienne is coming together to celebrate the things that makes women so special, and they are nothing short of witty, wacky, and womanly. This 'herlarious' show is bound to be a marvelous evening of female empowerment, support, and best of all, laughter, so make sure to gather your friends for a perfect night out!

The wild and quirky **Jan Bannister** turns host as she starts the night off as the fabulous emcee. With a background in psychiatric nursing, Jan believes in the therapeutic power of laughter as a way for people to connect, share the ups and downs of life in an upbeat manner, and most of all, just have fun. After being warmed up for a night of laughter, opening act **Syd Bosel** will take to the stage with a magnificently honest commentary on parenthood and her aging body. Syd is not only a stand-up comic, but also a family support worker, and the irony of supporting families while struggling with her own children, has not escaped her. She was the silver medalist in British Columbia's Funniest Female Contest in 2017.

Next up will be funny woman **Nic Erin Enright**, who is a comedian and writer known for her good-natured no-nonsense comedy style. Originally from the United Kingdom, Nic is well known on the Canadian comedy scene for her quick-witted observations of everyday life - particularly on marriage and motherhood.

The night's headlining comic will be writer, producer, and comedienne- **Debra DiGiovanni!** Debra's comedy has a sharp edge while maintaining a playful, happy air. And her persona is one of the best developed of any comic working today - couple that with a hilarious act that is so personal everyone can relate - and you see why Debra is so popular. Her humor and charm lies in her unflinching honesty and openness, and rapid-fire delivery. She is a four-time Canadian Comedy Award winner, was the winner of Gemini Award for best-televised comedy performance, was named her hometown Toronto's favourite comic for three years, and was a finalist on NBC's "*Last Comic Standing*". She's a frequent guest on CBC Radio's "*The Debaters*", as well as the Much Music show "*Video On Trail*", has appeared on numerous other comedy shows and festivals, and is on sixty-seven episodes of *The Match Game!*

So gather your friends, mothers, sisters and even the men in your life, and join Jan, Syd, Nic and Debra, as they share the comical side of life on **March 8, 2018**, in what is going to be an uproariously fun time!

Tickets are \$32 for adults, \$29 for seniors, and \$27 for students and are available at The Centre Box Office, visit www.chilliwackculturalcentre.ca or call 604-391-SHOW(7469) for more information.

Adult material and situations – may not be appropriate for all audiences.

I Am Woman - Hear Me Laff is generously sponsored by: The Chilliwack Progress, Bathe Plumbing, the Ann Davies Transition Society, Coast Capital Savings, the British Columbia Touring Council, the British Columbia Arts Council, the Province of British Columbia, and the Department of Canadian Heritage.

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Chilliwack Cultural Centre

Owned by the City of Chilliwack, the Cultural Centre houses two unique performance venues, an art gallery, music instruction studios, arts and crafts studios, meeting rooms, offices, and is home to the Chilliwack Academy of Music and the O'Connor Group Art Gallery. Since opening in 2010, over 315,000 tickets have been sold through the Centre Box Office, with a value exceeding \$4,900,000. The Centre is overseen by The Chilliwack Arts & Cultural Centre Society on behalf of the City.

Chilliwack Cultural Centre highlights:

- 597 seat performance theatre
- 168 seat recital hall / rehearsal space / dance studio / meeting space
- Chilliwack Art gallery (22-foot high display area)
- 21 music instructional rooms
- Arts, crafts and performance studios
- Storage and Archival Resource Room

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