

# Westcoast Women's Network fonds

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# Fonds Description

**Westcoast Women's Network fonds.** – 1980-1990.

6 cm of textual records.

3 photographs.

## **Administrative History**

The Vancouver Women's Network was established in October 1979 as part of the Women in Management and Career Development Programme at the UBC Centre for Continuing Education. It was founded by program director Eileen Hendry as an opportunity for women professionals, often isolated in their places of work, to plug into a support system to promote information and idea exchange, feedback, referrals, guidance, role models and mentors. At its monthly meetings the Network held discussions and invited speakers on such issues as sexual harassment and discrimination, wrongful dismissal, affirmative action, and inequity of wages in the workplace. The organization was re-organized as a separate non-profit society in 1983 and re-named the Westcoast Women's Network. The Network has evolved to become more focused on the issues particular to career-oriented women, but it retains its original purpose to promote "women helping women".

## **Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of textual records documenting the origins and early history of the Vancouver/Westcoast Women's Network, and includes the organization's constitution, copies of its newsletter (1981-90), membership directories, brochures and other promotional material, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and meeting agendas and minutes.

## **Notes**

File list available.

Acquired from former Westcoast Women's Network presidents Janet Fraser and Judy Lindsay in January 2011.

# File List

## BOX 1

- 1-1 Newsletter – Vancouver Women’s Network 1981-83
- 1-2 Newsletter – Westcoast Women’s Network 1983-90
- 1-3 Constitution – Westcoast Women’s Network Society [n.d.]
- 1-4 Directories – Vancouver/Westcoast Women’s Network 1980, 1981/82, 1983/84, 1986
- 1-5 [Miscellaneous documents] 1980-83  
- includes conference and programme brochures
- 1-6 [Miscellaneous documents] 1981-88  
- includes clippings, brochures, and agendas

## PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs are numbered as UBC 155.1

- /1 [Meeting of the Vancouver Women’s Network]. – 35.5 x 28 cm B&W print. – 30 October 1979
- /2 [Westcoast Women’s Network meeting]. – 18 x 12.5 cm B&W print. – [1980s?]
- /3 [Westcoast Women’s Network meeting]. – 18 x 12.5 cm B&W print. – [1980s?]  
- photographer: Beverley Olandt