



# VANCOUVER and DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL



May 2, 2016

## **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fundraiser Dinner for Queen Alexandra Elementary School Wednesday, June 8, 2016**

Dear Affiliates and Friends:

The Vancouver and District Labour Council will be holding our 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fundraiser in support of Queen Alexandra Elementary School on Wednesday, June 8, 2016.

We are pleased to have as our keynote speaker, MLA Melanie Mark. Born of Nisga'a, Gitksan, Cree, and Ojibway ancestry, Melanie was raised in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside. Growing up under difficult circumstances, she understands the challenges faced by many in the community. Melanie will share her personal journey to becoming the first elected First Nations woman as a BC MLA and will address housing and child protection issues.

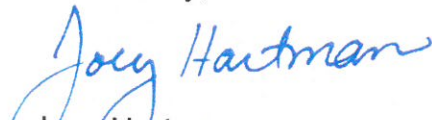
The evening will also include dinner, silent auction, and raffles. Any donation you, or your union, can make towards our silent auction or raffle prizes would be greatly appreciated.

Proceeds from the event are the sole funding of the Wishing Tree, Queen Alexandra's 'free store'. The store provides families in need with whatever they require: food hampers, toiletries, clothing, household items, and more.

To purchase tickets please complete the form on reverse and return it to the VDLC, or contact Keziah at the VDLC at 604.254.0703 or [office@vdlc.ca](mailto:office@vdlc.ca). If you would like to be a part of the evening but are unable to attend you could make a donation in lieu of tickets.

Thanks to the generosity of patrons in 2015, we were able to raise \$10,000.00. On behalf of the school and the labour council, thank you and we look forward to another successful year.

In solidarity,

  
Joey Hartman  
President

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Vancouver & District Labour Council  
23rd Annual Fundraiser for  
**Queen Alexandra Elementary School**

**Wednesday, June 8**

5:30 pm Doors

6:30 pm Dinner

Maritime Labour Centre

1880 Triumph Street

**Melanie Mark, MLA Vancouver Mt. Pleasant**

**Melanie Mark will share her personal journey to becoming the first elected First Nations woman as BC MLA and will address housing and child protection issues.**



Born of Nisga'a, Gitksan, Cree, and Ojibway ancestry, Melanie grew up in the Downtown Eastside under difficult circumstances and understands the challenges faced by many in the community. Her election campaign focused on addressing issues of social injustice that are a reality for so many.

Melanie has served as the president of the Urban Native Youth Association, worked for the Native Court Workers' Association, and the Office of the Representative for Children and Youth.

**Tickets \$50 / \$35 low waged**

For tickets contact Keziah at the VDLC office

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