In celebration of Black History Month

And the Beat Goes On:

The Music of African People through the Ages

The women participating will focus on the herstory of women in music from drumming through gospel, blues, jazz, classical, girl groups, folk, latin, urban sounds, rap, hip hop, spoken word. They will highlight how black women have influence music and musical styles in the world and in Canada through their talks and by performing their own styles.

Program:

(9:30 beginning) - Information table set-up, sound check, etc.
10:00-10:30am - Drumming - African - Aboriginal
10:35 -10:45am - Welcome and Aboriginal Elder to opening
10:50 - 12:00 pm - Panel – each member will speak for 10 minutes
12:00-12:15pm - Questions, comments, and wrap-up for panel
12:15 - 12:30pm   -  Strings/ Interlude to allow for set-up for Minister
12:30 - 12:35pm   -  Intro of the Honourable Minister Jean Augustine
12:35  1:00pm - Minister to speak ( 15-20 minutes)
1:05  1:17pm - Alexis Charles, DJ to play hip-hop & other music
1:17 - 1:30pm - Cassandra (Ndidi) Cascade - spoken word poetry.

Closing comments by MC for the formal part of the programme.
More music and social to follow during the informal part of the day to about 5:30pm

Panelists:

Albert St. Albert
- Professor of music, & percussion musician
Ndidi Cascade
- Spoken word/Hip Hop artist and poet
Dee Daniels
- Singer, actress and music (voice) teacher
Lynton Gardner
- Renowned jazz musician and performer
Larry Kennis
- Concert and renowned strings performer

The Honourable Minister Jean Augustrine, responsible for the Status of Women and Multiculturalism will speak at midday.

FREE ADMISSION

9:30 – 5:30 pm, Saturday, February 8, 2003 at the SFU Harbour Centre,
515 West Hastings St., in Fletcher Challenge Auditorium

The groups co-hosting this event are the African Canadian Coalition Against Racism, Women’s Quest Assistance Society and the Black Historical and Cultural Society of BC. Other partners in this undertaking are the Musqueam Band, and the United Native Nations Association, the Department of Women’s Studies, Simon Fraser University.