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Invitation to Poetry Night

Thunder Bay, ON – ONWA is hosting a Poetry Night on Friday, November 23, 2018 at 380 Ray Blvd from 6:00-9:00 PM to raise awareness of Violence Against Women in support of the *United Nations International Day of Elimination of Violence Against Women* #orangetheworld campaign.

Events happen throughout the world to honour the *United Nations International Day of Elimination of Violence Against Women* (which takes place annually on November 25th) and brings awareness to this issue. This day provides a great opportunity to create a space where Indigenous women can gather and celebrate strength and resiliency.



ONWA is inviting the community to join us for an evening of poetry reading with writers who wish to share their words and honest expressions about how this issue has touched their lives or the lives of someone they know. These expressions continue raising awareness about violence against Indigenous women, and give hope to those whose healing journey is beginning.

Part of this evening includes an ongoing art project where participants of Poetry Night dip their hands in orange and blue paint and press on a canvas to signify standing together to eliminate violence against women and girls. This project is called "Strong Hands Stop Violence", which is a joint name for the project and the poetry book.

Facebook event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1917661851645644/>

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