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Warship protester calls for creative economy and rises with one billion women for V-Day

(Halifax) – A peace activist who has been protesting the \$25 billion warship contract every week outside the Irving Shipyard is unveiling new signs for Valentine’s Day. Tamara Lorincz will be holding a new sign “Make LOVE, MUSIC ♥ ART: NO WARSHIPS” on February 13 at noon at her weekly protest “Wednesdays against Warships.” She is calling on the provincial and federal government to invest in a creative economy not building combat vessels. Lorincz says the 2009 report *Building the Creative Economy in Nova Scotia* and the Conference Board of Canada 2008 report *Valuing Culture: Measuring and Understanding Canada’s Creative Economy* should be implemented to drive job growth, innovation and productivity. “We should be building an economy based on love, culture and creativity, not war,” says Lorincz. She will also be delivering a heart-shaped cake to CAW shipyard union president Karl Risser to thank him for meeting with her last week. Her conversation with the union leader is posted on her blog.

On February 14, Lorincz has another protest planned outside the Irving Shipyard in solidarity with *One Billion Rising* the global day of action against violence against women. Lorincz will standing for peace on V-Day from 4:00-5:00 p.m. with a new sign “Rise against violence; Rise against warships.” More information about Lorincz’s struggle against the federal government’s planned construction of warships can be found on her web site and blog: www.demilitarize.ca

What: Make LOVE, MUSIC ♥ ART: NO WARSHIPS

When: Wednesday, February 13, 2013 from 12:00-1:00 p.m.,

Where: In front of Irving Shipyard and Naval Dockyard, 3099 Barrington St.

Why: Weekly protest “Wednesdays against Warships”, deliver cake to union leader, and unveil new signs

What: Rise against Violence; Rise against Warships

When: Thursday, February 14 from 4:00- 5:00 p.m.

Where: In front of Irving Shipyard and Naval Dockyard, 3099 Barrington St.

Why: In solidarity with *1 Billion Rising* against violence against women: <http://onebillionrising.org/>

Background:

- Demilitarize: www.demilitarize.ca to find out more about the potential of the creative economy.
- One Billion Rising: <http://onebillionrising.org/> Women rise against violence
- “Wednesdays against Warships” Blog: <http://demilitarize.ca/wp/>
- *Read her latest posting about her conversation with shipyard union president Karl Risser
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