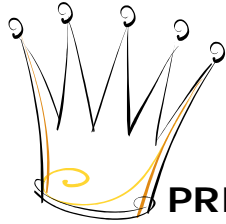


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PRINCESS RESCUE PARTY; SHORT-FILM FUNDRAISER

When Nicola Fairweather of Fusion Events suggested a party to raise funds for Sara McIntyre's short film, Princess Rescue, the pair knew they wanted something unique from other social networking events targeted at women.

The comedic short is about a young woman who decides to 'rescue' herself by initiating a romantic happily-ever-after moment in her relationship. The party is for modern-day princesses who are living what must come after, or instead of, that moment. - Women who are defining their lives through career, relationship, and family in a world that was not anticipated by childhood bedtime stories.

McIntyre shares, "I liked the idea of a slightly cheeky party; a girl's night out to honour each of our inherent royalty. But neither Nicola nor I could imagine a room full of talented, professional women without itching to maximize the networking opportunities. And my wish was for everyone to walk away with something of real value in her hands – the best parties have take-away gifts."

The ensuing idea is a princess-themed, women's soiree in a beautiful art gallery, with an innovative icebreaker. Each woman brings \$100 of something, whether service or product, to trade during the evening. "There will be a list of everyone who attends and what they've brought, and the task is to find the service or product that would save your life," explains Fairweather. "It gives us a fun reason to chat with each other, and the opportunity to come away with something that will make life easier in some way – that's the rescue element. We anticipate everything from legal skills to childcare being swapped."

Women rescuing each other is the same flavour of twist-on-a-fairytale that McIntyre employs in her upcoming short film. "I'm fascinated by stories that take archetypal-based expectations and show the truth of how they get lived out. Humour and innovation are always at play for me," she says.

PRINCESS RESCUE PARTY

Date: Thursday March 30th, 2006. 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Location: Jennifer Kostuik Gallery, 2928 Granville St., Vancouver

Cost: \$25 includes your first drink, appetizers, and entry into a draw for fabulous prizes. Tickets are \$30 at the door.

Tickets: call Nicola of Fusion Events at 604.683.5239

More Information at: www.lyranproductions.com/princess

Sara McIntyre of **Lyran Productions** is a Vancouver writer/director who has worn many film-related hats including President of Women in Film & Video Vancouver, Co-Creator of the Alibi Unplugged script reading series, and Casting Director of the Delicate Art of Parking. Her directorial debut occurred in 2004 through the Director's Guild of Canada program, Crazy8s, with the comedy 'My Father's an Actor'. www.lyranproductions.com

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