



## 13 DECEMBER 2017 CANADA 150 SERVICEWOMEN'S SALUTE

### RECEPTION AND DINNER SPEAKERS

**The Honourable Harjit Singh Sajjan, PC OMM MSM CD, Minister of National Defence,** is a former Vancouver police officer, also a retired militia Lieutenant-Colonel who served on a deployment to Bosnia-Herzegovina and on three deployments to Kandahar, Afghanistan. He continues his service to Canada as the Member of Parliament for Vancouver South and as Minister of National Defence.

**Canadian War Museum, Dr Melanie Morin-Pelletier,** is the Historian, War and Society at the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa. She is the author of *Briser les ailes de l'ange: Les infirmières militaires canadiennes (1914-1918)* and has published multiple articles on Canadian military nursing and on the impact of the war on the Canadian home front. Since joining the Canadian War Museum in 2012, she has curated the exhibitions: *Fighting in Flanders. Gas. Mud. Memory (2014)*, *Homefront 1917 (2015)*, and *Vimy: Beyond the Battle (2017)*.

**Chief of Defence Staff General Jonathan H. Vance, CMM MSC CD,** was commissioned as an infantry officer into The Royal Canadian Regiment in 1986 following his graduation from Royal Roads Military College. General Vance has served in Canada, Germany and on UN Peacekeeping operations, and has commanded at all levels within the field force from platoon commander to brigade commander and in combat operations as a joint Task Force Commander.

**Honorary Captain (Navy) Sharon Johnston, CC DStJ,** holds a BSc degree from University of Western Ontario, an MSc degree from McGill, and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree from McGill. As the Viceregal consort of Canada while her husband Right Honourable David Johnston served as the Governor General, she was appointed Companion of the Order of Canada, and Dame of Justice of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem.

**Brigadier-General Jennie Carignan, MSM CD,** was commissioned into the Canadian Military Engineers in 1990 with a degree in Fuels and Materials Engineering from the Royal Military College of Canada. She has been the Commanding Officer of 5 Combat Engineer Regiment, commanded the Task Force Kandahar Engineer Regiment, and was appointed as the Commandant of the Royal Military College in Saint-Jean in 2013. Promoted to Brigadier General in 2016, she is currently the Chief of Staff of Army Operations at the Canadian Army Headquarters.



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1. In 1885, the government of Canada authorized Canadian women (Nursing Sisters) to serve in a military campaign for the first time ever. That same year, Prime Minister Sir John A. MacDonald also introduced full suffrage (municipal, provincial, federal) voting rights to women in Franchise Bill 103; disallowed under the 1867 British North America Act. This Bill 103 first clause was voted down before the 1885 Electoral Franchise Act was passed. (See quotation in "Suffrage to Full Citizens" Thematic Display). What other Franchise Bill 103 clause was defeated? Answer: Full suffrage for indigenous persons
2. Who is the servicewoman who served in both Boer War and WWI campaigns, became the first Canadian to receive the Royal Red Cross in 1902 for meritorious and distinguished service in the field, appointed as first Matron of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, in 1917 at aged 55 retired from the C.A.M.C. due to poor health, died June 6 1938 and received a full military funeral, and is the only other woman, beside Laura Secord, among fourteen historic figures from Canada's military history to be commemorated at the Valiants Memorial in Ottawa? Answer: C.A.M.C. Matron-in-Chief Georgina Fane Pope
3. Who is Canada's first native Canadian nurse, who left Canada to become a trained U.S. Army Medical Corps nurse because no Canadian nursing school would accept her application, and first native Canadian woman allowed to vote in 1917 because of the War Voters Act while serving in France with the USMC? And whose right to vote was removed under the 1918 *Act to confer the Electoral Franchise upon Women*? Answer: Mohawk Six Nations Charlotte Edith Anderson Monture (1890-1996)
4. How many women enrolled during World War II, and for the first time for military duties other than nursing, and serving primarily in administration, communications, logistics, and medical support roles? Answer: 45,691, in newly formed women's branches of the Canadian Women's Army Corps (CWAC), Royal Canadian Air Force WOMen's Division (RCAF (WD)), and Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service (WRCNS). 4480 women enrolled as Nursing Sisters.
5. On the 75th anniversary of the WRCNS women's branch, and Wednesday October 8 1992 25th anniversary of the Canada 125 Servicewomen's Salute Dinner held in the West Block Confederation Room on Parliament Hill, what is Wednesday's Naval Toast? Answer: [To] Ourselves
6. Bonus Question: How many International, including U.S., Operations have CAF Servicewomen served since 1989 when all employments and roles were officially opened to women? Answer: .....