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The Voices of Olympia Canada's Team is proud to launch the third edition of the School Competition, under the theme of Climate Change. A virtual ceremony is scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Keynote speaker: Ms. Isabelle Levert - Chiasson, Canadian Commission for UNESCO

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This year, our competition theme draws from the 2022 priority theme of the Sixty Sixth Session of the UN <u>Commission on the Status of Women</u> (CSW66): "Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes".

Participating high school students from: Collège Regina Assumpta, Collège Sainte - Anne, The Study, Villa Maria, Villa Sainte - Marcelline, and Escadron 96 Alouettes, will reflect on how Climate Change impacts the empowerment of girls and women in Canada, using a dual perspective of human rights and social justice. The best four projects will be awarded scholarships for a total of \$7,000 during an Awards Ceremony scheduled for May 2022.

For more information, visit our website at: https://www.olympesdelaparolecanada.ca/en/home

## ABOUT VOICES OF OLYMPIA CANADA

**Voices of Olympia Canada** is a global citizenship learning - based initiative. It offers a School Competition that empowers high school girls in Canada to join the global conversation on gender equality through: awareness, knowledge, critical thinking, and actions leading to community engagement, and transformative youth leadership. Read our participants' report on their experience at the United Nations <a href="https://www.olympesdelaparolecanada.ca/en/communication">https://www.olympesdelaparolecanada.ca/en/communication</a> and view their winning projects at: <a href="https://www.olympesdelaparolecanada.ca/en/communication">Thank You United Nations, UN 2020</a>

**Voices of Olympia Canada** is a CRA registered charity. We collaborate with Canada Helps to manage all donations we receive, and that we use to promote global citizenship, and gender equality.

**Voices of Olympia Canada** is a member of the International Alliance of Women (IAW), an international NGO founded in 1904, with headquarter based in Geneva, and involved in the promotion of the human rights of women and girls globally. For more information: <a href="https://www.womenalliance.org/">https://www.womenalliance.org/</a>

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