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### 3rd Annual VAW/WLU Symposium Nov 23 2012 - Enhancing Violence Against Women Work: An Exploration of the Complexities of Trauma

Welcome to the online proceedings of the 3rd Annual Violence Against Women Symposium, Enhancing Violence Against Women: an Exploration of the Complexities of Trauma, which took place on November 23, 2012 at the Lyle S. Hallman Faculty of Social Work, Wilfrid Laurier University. The symposium was sponsored by the VAW Forum - Central West Region in partnership with the Social Innovation Research Group, Lyle S. Hallman Faculty of Social Work.

Attached you will find the proceedings report which provides an overview of all presentations and feedback from symposium participants. In addition, some of the PowerPoint presentations used at the symposium and links to documents and resources shared throughout the day are attached for your reference.

We would like to thank all the symposium organizers, supporting agencies, and everyone else who contributed with their time and efforts to make this event a success. This year, we were very fortunate to have a wonderful group of experts in their respective fields participate in the symposium who so generously shared their time and expertise. We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all of them. Finally, a special thanks to our special guests and everyone who attended the event. We appreciate your dedicated commitment and interest in the work of the VAW Forum to enhance Violence Against Women services in our region.

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-  [3rd Annual VAW/WLU VAW Symposium Proceedings Report](#) [2]
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-  [Joan Tuchlinsky's Resource - SELF-CARE FOR TRAUMA PSYCHOTHERAPISTS AND CAREGIVERS](#) [5]

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