

Jane Doe (of the infamous 1986 sexual assault case that changed Canadian law and policing) will be speaking on the topic of women and the justice system on Wednesday, February 10th.

The talkback will be held in the theatre immediately following the performance of "The Trial of Judith K." and is included in that evening's ticket.

Venue:

Theatre Passe Muraille Backspace, 16 Ryerson Ave, Toronto. Performance begins at 7:30pm. Talkback to follow.

Tickets:

Regular **\$30** / Students & Arts Workers **\$25** via **www.artsboxoffice.ca**, 416-504-7529

About Jane Doe

After she was sexually assaulted at knifepoint, Jane Doe discovered that the police were aware of a serial rapist active in her neighbourhood, but failed to warn the public for fear of causing panic among women. After her attacker was caught and convicted (largely due to Jane's community organization efforts that police tried to prevent out of concern of "spooking" the rapist) Jane Doe sued the Toronto police on three separate grounds: negligence, a violation of her equality rights under the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, and an infringement of her *Charter* right to security of the person. On July 3, 1998, Madam Justice MacFarland ruled in her favour on all three counts.

Her case spent 11 years in trial and changed the way sexual assault is dealt with by the police and the justice system. Her landmark case also shifted the public discourse around rape culture and misogyny.

Jane Doe is currently covering the Jian Ghomeshi trial for NOW Magazine.

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