

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH: Canadian Women's Accomplishments

FROM 2017-2020



2017

June 2017

Canada creates its **first-ever federal strategy** against gender-based violence



October 2017

The **#MeToo movement** goes viral and leads to Bill C-65, which addresses sexual harassment in Canadian federally-regulated workplaces

2018



February 2018

Karena Evans is **the first woman** to win the Prism Prize Lipsett Award for innovation in Canadian music video art



March 2018

Marlene Poitras is the **first female Alberta regional chief** for the Assembly of First Nations

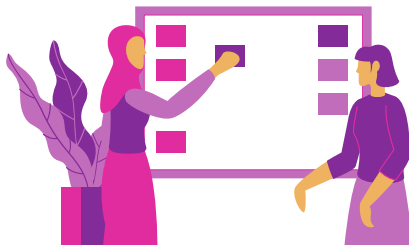


Civil rights activist Viola Desmond's face graces Canada's \$10 banknotes

November 2018

Ontario, Alberta, and Newfoundland & Labrador enact laws offering domestic violence leave

2019



March 2019

Vinessa Antoine, star of CBC's Diggstown, is the **first Black Canadian woman** to star in an hour-long Canadian series



June 2019

The final report of the **National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls** is released after three years of research, hearings, and community consultations

October 2019

Karen Jensen becomes Canada's **first-ever** Pay Equity Commissioner



2020

August 2020

Chrystia Freeland becomes the **first woman** to serve as federal finance minister in Canada



October 2020

Rania Llewellyn is the **first woman** to head a major Canadian bank, Laurentian Bank



Annamie Paul succeeds Elizabeth May as the federal leader of the Green Party, the **first Black and Jewish woman** to lead a federal political party in Canada



December 2020

Ardith Walkem becomes the **first Indigenous woman** to be appointed to the British Columbia Supreme Court



LEGEND

First Indigenous woman



First Black woman



First woman



First ever

