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WOMEN ON THE MOVE

Can three women and a truck contribute to the prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault?



We're transforming a 20-ft truck into a mobile billboard and resource center to aid in the prevention of domestic violence and sexual assault.

LOUDER THAN WORDS and the #NOTGUILTY CAMPAIGN have teamed up to launch **WOMEN ON THE MOVE**.

- Meet **LOUDER THAN WORDS** (SA. Bachman + Neda Moridpour.) We are a cross-cultural, intergenerational art collective that targets sexual assault, domestic violence and women's reproductive health by combining activism with courageous art interventions.
- Moridpour is a 33-year-old immigrant from Iran, of Muslim decent, now a U.S citizen. Bachman is a 60-year-old, born in the U.S. and is of Jewish decent.
- We are collaborating with Lone Wells of the **#NOTGUILTY Campaign**. Her [TED Talk](#), *How We Talk About Sexual Assault Online*, has received 1 million views.
- **WOMEN ON THE MOVE** expands beyond the confines of traditional classrooms and museums to connect with neighborhoods that lack resources and cannot easily avail themselves of or have access to workshops and contemporary art of this kind.
- We'll create public "pop-up" events that will include street interventions, workshops, video screenings and the distribution of free artist-designed posters.
- We will travel to Los Angeles, Washington DC, Cleveland, and London, England.

WHY THIS PROJECT? WHY NOW?

Now is the time to resist! The gravity of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault continues to be trivialized. In 2016, many U.S. voters chose to ignore the history of Donald Trump, an ethically challenged businessman-turned-politician whose blatant misogyny, sexual harassment of women, and treatment of women as property and objects of derision were in plain view.

Did you know that the Trump administration is already demonstrating their disregard for victims of DVSA by planning to make “dramatic cuts” in initiatives working to end violence against women?

Did you know that Russia recently established domestic violence as a norm when it voted to decriminalize and ease penalties for battery of a relative?

ABOUT THE ORGANIZERS

[LOUDER THAN WORDS](#) (S.A. Bachman+Neda Moridpour) is a cross-cultural, intergenerational art collective that targets sexual assault, domestic violence, women's reproductive health, and homophobia by combining activism with courageous art interventions.

LOUDER THAN WORDS is collaborating with **lone Wells, founder of [#NOTGUILTY](#)**.

[S.A. Bachman](#) (LOUDER THAN WORDS): Bachman recruits art in the service of public address. For three decades, her art and teaching has endeavored to expose the insidiousness of sexism, racism and conformity. A trained facilitator who has lead workshops on diversity, women's rights and racism since the late 1980's, Bachman's photographs and interventionist projects have been exhibited in the United States, Australia, Spain, China and the Czech Republic. Her work has been supported by the National Endowment for the Arts, Massachusetts Cultural Council and the New England Foundation for the Arts and is in the collection of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Palacio de Bellas Artes Mexico City, The Rose Art Museum and the Center for the Study of Political Graphics. Her publications include *Artforum*, *Ms.*, *Social Text*, *Reframings: New American Feminist Photographies*, *Graphic Agitation 2*, *Peace Signs: The Anti-War Movement Illustrated*. The early work of THINK AGAIN is documented in the monograph, *A Brief History of Outrage*.

[Neda Moridpour](#) (LOUDER THAN WORDS): Moridpour holds an MFA in Public Practice. Central to her work is establishing dialogue and mobilizing communities via bold round-table discussions and art interventions. Born and raised in Iran, a strong awareness of gender discrimination, inequality and censorship permeates Moridpour's philosophy. Her work is in the collection of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and was on view in LACMA's Islamic Art Now, Part 2: Contemporary Art of the Middle East. Moridpour is certified as a Counselor Advocate of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault by Peace Over Violence and her art practice includes facilitating inventive workshops for survivors in Los Angeles and Tehran.

#NOTGUILTY Founded by **lone Wells**. Her [TED Talk](#) *How We Talk About Sexual Assault Online* as received almost 1 million views. The #NotGuilty campaign against sexual violence and assault focuses on an array of key issues including reducing victim-blaming, promoting education of consent from an early age, giving victims a voice and a platform to speak out and get help, enforcing a sense of the solidarity of community to make victims feel that they are not alone and to encourage community action in reducing assault, raising awareness of the devastating impact that rape and sexual assault can have upon victims and raising awareness that any non-consensual sexual action, or act of violence, is always wrong, to name some. The campaign aims to reach those of all genders, ages, nationalities and sexualities.

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