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**Topic: Challenging conversations: Fostering political voice at the intersections of race, gender, class and sexuality**

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*Systems of patriarchy, slavery, colonialism, and capitalism have created global structural and social divisions across cultures. These divisions have perpetuated all forms of violence, including impeding consciousness formation and mobilization or fostering political voice across cultures. The presentation will focus on how we create brave spaces—that is, spaces that foster political voice, using constructive storytelling and dialogue while exploring challenging topics about difference, including but not limited to gender, race, sexuality, and class.*

**Bio**

**Michele Lemonius** holds an MA in Conflict Analysis and Management from Royal Roads University, an MA in Adult Education from St. Francis Xavier University and attained her Ph.D. in Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of Manitoba.

As a researcher, educator and peace activist, she continues to facilitate a process that encourages creating spaces for dialogue, and self-discovery; that embraces all experiences as integral parts of one whole; that allows each human contact to be an experience of critical reflection where meaning is challenged in an effort to provide personal and professional growth.

Michele was born in Jamaica and immigrated to Canada over 30 years ago and has strong ties to the Jamaican diaspora in Toronto where she spent most of her life. She has conducted qualitative, multi method research in organization and community,

specific to the causes of conflict in the workplace, and the experiences of Jamaican immigrant women in Canada.