

# The Notorious Mrs. Armstrong

Film Screening

Directed by Paula Kelly / Produced by Buffalo Gal Pictures and Liz Jarvis



**What:** Film screening, followed by Panel Discussion on the Role of Women in the 1919 General Strike and Modern Labour Movement

**Where:** Cinematheque, 100 Arthur Street

**When:** March 9, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**The event is free, rush seating**

The Notorious Mrs. Armstrong follows the political career of a lesser known yet extremely important figure in Canadian history, Helen Armstrong. History has largely ignored her groundbreaking women's movement activities which helped change labour legislation in favour of women workers. Armstrong, a working class mother, was well known in Winnipeg in the early 1900s where she was described as a radical agitator and often ended up in jail for her endeavours.

She was one of the organizers of the historic 1919 Winnipeg General Strike, and her continued actions as a union organizer helped persuade the government of Manitoba to institute the Minimum Wage Act and give livable wages to women.

**Event sponsored by the Canadian Labour Congress, the Manitoba Federation of Labour and the Winnipeg Labour Council, in celebration of International Women's Day and the 100th Anniversary of the Winnipeg General Strike.**