



## Media Release

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### "Why Women's Rights Are Your Business: The Dollars and Sense of Investing in Women and Girls" — Sally Armstrong to Deliver Vigod Memorial Lecture in Human Rights on Nov. 17

Sally Armstrong, an award-winning author, journalist and human rights activist, will deliver the Vigod Memorial Lecture in Human Rights at St. Thomas University on Thursday, November 17 at 7 pm in the Kinsella Auditorium, McCain Hall. She will speak about "Why Women's Rights Are Your Business: The Dollars and Sense of Investing in Women and Girls."

Armstrong has covered stories in zones of conflict all over the world. From Bosnia and Somalia to Congo and Afghanistan, her eyewitness reports have earned her the Amnesty International Media Award three times over, as well as acclaim all over the world.

In addition to her journalism, Armstrong is the author of the books *Veiled Threat: The Hidden Power of the Women of Afghanistan*; *The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor*; *Bitter Roots*, *Tender Shoots: The Uncertain Fate of Afghanistan's Women*; and her most recent book, *Ascent of Women: A New Age is Dawning for Every Mother's Daughter*.

Armstrong is a former member of the International Women's Commission at the UN and a member of the Order of Canada. She is also the recipient of ten honorary doctorate degrees including one from St. Thomas University in 2004.

To reserve free tickets to this event, please contact Christina Szurlej at [cszurlej@stu.ca](mailto:cszurlej@stu.ca).

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