DECEMBER 6, 2026 · NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND ACTION ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

REMEMBER. REFLECT. ACT.

OnDecember 6, 1989,14 womenwere murderedatÉcole Polytechnique in Montréal because they were women. Today, we honour them.

WE REMEMBER

Geneviève Bergeron
Hélène Colgan
Nathalie Croteau
Barbara Daigneault
Anne-Marie Edward
Maud Haviernick
Barbara Klucznik-Widajewicz
Maryse Laganière
Maryse Leclair
Anne-Marie Lemay
Sonia Pelletier
Michèle Richard
Annie St-Arneault
Annie Turcotte

In 1991, Parliament established December 6 as the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. It is a day to remember the lives taken, to reflect on the misogyny behind this violence, and to commit to action.

> ONE PRACTICAL ACTION
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> Pause, and choose one action. Take a moment of silence today. Then consider one way you will act against gender-based violence in the year ahead—in your relationships, community or workplace.

We remember them. We recommit to ending gender-based violence.

LEARN MORE

Women and Gender Equality Canada — 16 Days of Activism
canada.ca/en/women-gender-equality/commemorations-celebrations/16 -days.html

The Canadian Encyclopedia — Polytechnique tragedy
thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/polytechnique-tragedy

NEED SUPPORT?

You don't have to work out next steps alone.
Women's Habitat 24-hour crisis line: 416-252-5829
Assaulted Women's Helpline (24/7): 1-866-863-0511 · #SAFE (#7233) on a Bell, Rogers, Fido or Telus mobile
In immediate danger, call 911.