

### An Evening with Inspiring Women



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**SWANEE HUNT**, the Texas-raised artist, author, academic and one-time U.S. ambassador to Austria, is a member of the International Crisis Group, which called for new commitments to Arab-Israeli peace while meeting in Vancouver recently. The group includes several former foreign and prime ministers (including **Kim Campbell**), and has local resident and Endeavour Financial chair **Frank Giustra** on its executive committee.

Giustra's bride **Alison Lawton**, who chairs UNICEF Canada's Unite for Children, Unite Against AIDS campaign, had Hunt join herself and Senator **Mobina Jaffer** fronting an inspirational evening for city women in 10-year gallerist **Jennifer Kostuik's** South Granville facility.

Violinist **Rosemary Siemens**, who has performed in a hip-hop concert at Carnegie Hall, recited on a 1714 Claude Pieray instrument unaccompanied for once by Diva Musica partner-pianist **Victoria Gomon**. With more notice, Siemens might have transcribed and performed cello parts from *The Witness Cantata* Hunt composed to reflect the first Good Friday's doings on Calvary.



Swanee Hunt spoke at Jennifer Kostuik's gallery.



Duetters Rosemary Siemens and Victoria Gomon.