

ABOUT Women of Diversity Productions Inc.

My name is Marlene Adrian and I am president of Women of Diversity Productions, Inc. (WOD), a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporation founded in 1992, dedicated to giving visibility to women and creating a woman-appreciated society. I am pleased to know that the Nevada Commission for Women (CFW) has been reactivated and that its 2016 and early 2017 activities have been substantial.

I have recently read the minutes of the CFW and noted that at the July 27, 2016 meeting Marlene Lockard mentioned WOD as an organization to contact, since it has a wealth of information on Nevada women, including a published book.

Since relocating to Las Vegas in the late 1990s, WOD has presented free programs during Women's History Month at public libraries and shown videos and displays at universities, colleges and historical galleries. We also produced eleven years of "Remembering the Freedoms" programs during Black History Month.

In 2005, WOD produced "100 Years of Influence: the Role of Women in Shaping the First One Hundred Years of Las Vegas". The exhibit, consisted of kiosks with video interviews, graphic historical displays of women's organizations, women's art and the famous Wall of Women. In 2014, WOD organized the Nevada Women's Legacy - 150 Years of Excellence as part of the Nevada sesquicentennial Our initial event for this project was *First Ladies First*. WOD, with volunteers from women's organizations, interviewed approximately 200 women throughout Nevada, placed the videos on our website and created the Nevada Women's Legacy book. Complimentary copies were distributed to public library and school districts and museums throughout the State of Nevada. WOD also gave books to interviewees and supporters of the project.

The post-sesquicentennial projects of WOD are events focusing upon the barriers for women and girls to achieve equality. Our website contains summaries of all our events, videos of women speaking at these events and displays shown in Carson City, Elko, Las Vegas and elsewhere. Please visit our website www.womenofdiversity.org Women of Diversity Productions, Inc. will be available to assist the Commission with their projects. I can be contacted at 702.655.2146 and adrianmjlv@gmail.com

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