

SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTRE of Waterloo Region is celebrating its 25th anniversary this fall in a Gala Fundraising event, **“25 years and All That Jazz”** on Thursday, October 2, at the Tannery from 7-10.

The Gala will feature The Jazz Room favourite **Rebecca Binnendyk** and her Jazz Trio, incredible and abundant tapas, a guided winetasting by **sommelier Brian Heard**, a silent and live charity auction presented by **Karen Dymond**.



Joanne Atkins, Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management (l) and Shirley Lichti are the force behind the “Women Empowering Women – Tools for Success” event; proceeds were donated to two local charities: the Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region and Passion for Progress

The evening will close with a lot of dancing and promises a night full of entertainment. Partial proceeds from the Women Empowering Women event held by the **Kitchener Waterloo-Business Women’s Association** went to support the centre. The idea came from **Joanne Atkins** of Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management supported by the talents of **Shirley Lichti**, partner in Marketing Magic. Money raised from the event will support the Assault Centre and guest speaker **Kelly Lovell’s** not-for-profit, **Passion for Progress**. That event was held September 11.