



Not Anytime Soon!

NOT ANYTIME SOON: The Life & Times of Linda Chamberlain

She had to stop school early. She witnessed her father's death. She was abused. She had to fend for herself at 14. She was a stripper. She was accused of murder. She lived in flophouses and garbage bags. She was chased by voices. She rarely had enough to eat.

Linda confronts challenges but she isn't confrontational. When she saw her rent increase and her pay cheque dive because of mixed-up welfare rules, she spoke out. When she was violated, she spoke out. When she saw how difficult it was for fellow survivors to get supportive housing, she helped form the Dream Team and spoke out.

COMEDIENNE, CLOWN, ADVOCATE, CAREGIVER, CELEBRANT, ORGANIZER, CONVENER, FOUNDER, SUPPORT WORKER, STORYTELLER, PET SITTER, FRIEND—THESE MANY ROLES DESCRIBE LINDA CHAMBERLAIN, A PSYCHIATRIC SURVIVOR AND CO-FOUNDER OF THE DREAM TEAM IN TORONTO.

And now: author and raconteur.....

Linda's pink scrapbook: 'Not Anytime Soon' makes its debut.

The title – *Not Anytime Soon* – comes from Linda's fight with illness and homelessness. Whenever she's asked when she's leaving, she defiantly and loudly repeats it: *Not anytime soon!* Linda wants her story to inspire others to follow in her footsteps, to "Get out of Dodge" and to "Pay it Forward". As Linda says: "Just because you're down you don't have to be out!"

This 88 page scrapbook is just \$10.

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Along with this non-profit publication, we hope that you will also consider contributing to one or more of Linda's passions: **People and Pets, the Linda Chamberlain 'Pay it Forward' Award** (OPDI) or the **Linda Chamberlain fund** (at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health).

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