Chief Minister and Minister for Women's Policy, Clare Martin, today launched a new program to recognise the contribution of women to the Northern Territory - *Tribute to Northern Territory Women*.

Ms Martin said the program will honour Territory women, past or present, who have made a significant contribution to Territory life.

"The program will revolve around honouring selected Territory women each year by incorporating them in a number of permanent tributes," she said.

"Locals and tourists will be able to discover the extraordinary women who have forged a place in our history, and learn about their achievements."

Ms Martin said one tribute would be the construction of a special walk in Darwin's Damoe-Ra Park near Parliament House.

"The names of selected Territory women will be displayed on the walk, with additions made each year on International Women's Day.

"The selected site, in close proximity to Parliament House, reflects the important role of women in leadership, which is well demonstrated by the number of women now in Parliament."

A portable exhibit will be built and is expected to be placed at the Alice Springs National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame, when it's not on display throughout the Territory.

"This will bring a far better regional focus to the program."

A special collection of Northern Territory posters will also be designed to highlight and celebrate International Women's Day, with a new poster released each year.

Local female artists will be commissioned to develop these products.

"International Women's Day is an important date for Territory women and this new program will help emphasise that importance.

"Events are being held around the NT to celebrate the day and to call attention to the areas where women still strive for equality and fairness.

"This new program offers an opportunity for everyone to celebrate and remember the women who have made a difference."