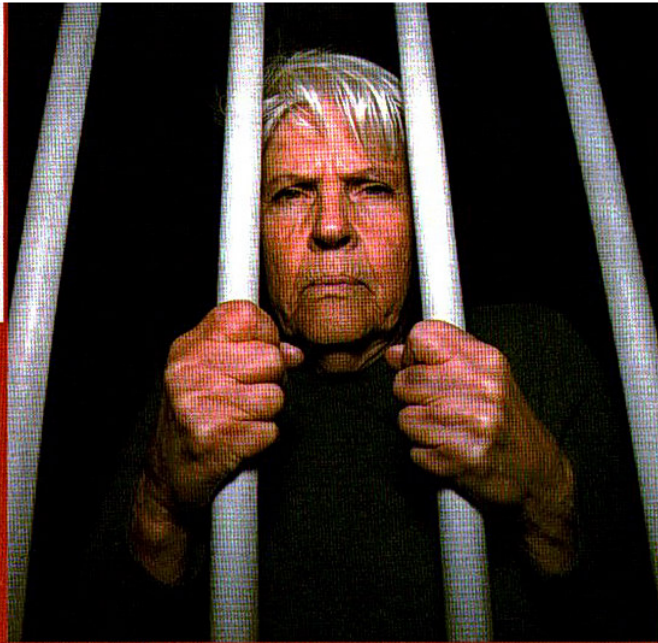


Cathedral Grove

"You don't know what you've got . . . till it's gone"

Betty Krawczyk, environmental activist

“Action liberates us from the dark feelings of helplessness and despair. Action floods our hearts with energy and hope. Action is the very mother of hope.”



RON WATTS

1928

Born August 4 in southern Louisiana.

1966

Moved to Ontario from the United States.

1986

Moved to British Columbia.

1993-1994

Active in protests and blockades to stop clearcut logging in Clayoquot Sound, which surrounds Tofino on west-coast Vancouver Island; jailed for 4.5 months.

1996

Published her first memoir, *Clayoquot: The Sound of My Heart* (Orca Books).

1999-2000

Active in blockades to stop logging in the Elaho Valley

west of Whistler; jailed for 8.5 months.

2001

Founded the Women in the Woods protest group.

2002

Joined protests in Victoria against the B.C. government's Working Forest initiative; jailed for 10 days.

2002

Published *Lock Me Up or Let Me Go: The Protests, Arrest and Trial of an Environmental Activist* (Raincoast/Press Gang Publishers).

2003-2004

Participated in blockades to stop logging in the Upper Walbran Valley, south of Bamfield on west-coast Vancouver Island; jailed for 9.5 months.

“I may be a foolish old woman but I do believe that by embracing our bluffs and waters and woods and refusing to let go that we will further the cause of the right of citizens to protect these very environments.”

2004

Honoured with the Eugene Rogers Environment Award “for her courageous efforts to preserve and protect British Columbia's Public Forest Lands.”

2006

Established her Internet blog journal, *Betty's Early Edition* (<http://bettyearlyedition.blogspot.com>).

2006

Ran for an Independent seat in provincial parliament, without success.

2006-2007

Joined blockades to halt a highway expansion through West Vancouver's Eagleridge Bluffs; jailed for 21 days (so far). Judged guilty; sentence pending at time of press.