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Mothering Against Motherhood: The Legacy of Adrienne Rich's Of Woman Born (SUNY, forthcoming). Her book *Toni Morrison and Motherhood: A Politics of the Heart*, also with SUNY, is in press. She is currently completing *From Motherhood to Mothering: Towards a Feminist Theory of Maternity* and editing *Mothering A Movement: Conversations with the Pioneer Feminist Scholars on Motherhood*. O'Reilly is founding president of the Association for Research on Mothering, (ARM); the first feminist association on the topic of mothering-motherhood with more than 500 members from around the world, and is founding and editor-in-chief of the *Journal of the Association for Research on Mothering*. In 1998 she was the recipient of the University wide "Teacher of the Year" award at York University. She has conducted numerous community workshops on motherhood, mothers and daughters, and mothers and sons. As well she had been interviewed widely on these topics including appearances on "More to Life," "Planet Parent," "Canadian Living Television," "Sex TV" and "Next.New.Now." Andrea and her common-law spouse of 23 are the parents of an 18-year old son and two daughters, ages 13 and 16.

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