







Glasgow Women's Library is No Ordinary Library

It is unique in Scotland and a national treasure!

Glasgow Women's Library (GWL) celebrates the lives and achievements of women and champions their contributions to Scotland's culture. Our vibrant information hub is open to all. An Accredited Museum and home to a lending library and archive, GWL also provides an exciting range of events, activities and courses through its various learning programmes.

In this programme you will find lots of events and activities, all of which are linked to the materials we have in our library, archive and museum artefact collections.

Women-only events are labelled throughout the programme. All events are trans-inclusive. GWL is an accessible venue: please contact us if you have specific requirements.

Joining and Booking

How do I book an event?

Join the Library: this is really easy to do and is completely FREE! Complete a form at GWL or online. Joining gives you a number that you can then use to book events.

Do I need to pay?

Most GWL events are free, we ask for a small contribution towards some events. Prices against an event fall into two categories:

Full Price (people who feel that they can afford to attend events and want to support our work), and Subsidised (usually free) for students, people on a low income, unemployed or in receipt of benefits. We do not ask for proof of this. GWL Friends access all our events for free.

Why is it important to book first?

It is important for us to know how many people to expect at all events as this affects the spaces we use and how many staff and biscuits and teabags we need! We can calso contact you if there are any last minute changes.

It's important to cancel a place if you can't attend as we have waiting lists.

If you have any questions about this or anything else you have read in the programme please contact us.

March of Women



Women's Words



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Getting Involved



Glasgow Women's Library, 23 Landressy Street, Glasgow G40 1BP Tel: 0141 550 2267 Email: info@womenslibrary.org.uk Website: womenslibrary.org.uk

GWL Events Calendar at a Glance



March of Women

Recognising & celebrating outstanding women in Scotland



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Saturday 7th March 2015

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Following a performance of Suffragette play A Pageant of Great Women by Cicely Hamilton, join a procession of women from Glasgow and beyond spilling out of Glasgow Women's Library onto the streets of Bridgeton.

Performance: A Pageant of Great Women 1pm to 2pm

A filmed performance event with limited public access.

In Hamilton's play, Woman versus Prejudice, presided over by Justice, enact a court case where over a 100 women are presented as evidence of outstanding achievement. In this reenactment role models have been found amongst the library bookshelves. Accompanied by an uplifting playlist and with some script adaptations by performance

participants, they demonstrate the humour and commitment required to survive as a woman in today's world.

Watch and Walk 2pm to 3.30pm

You can witness this public art celebration by processing to Glasgow Green amongst women from history. Meet outside Glasgow Women's Library at 2pm to walk with the procession to the Drying Green, Glasgow Green.

All are welcome to join us on the procession from the Library to Glasgow Green which starts outside Glasgow Women's Library at 2pm. No booking necessary.

How to Process as a Woman from History.

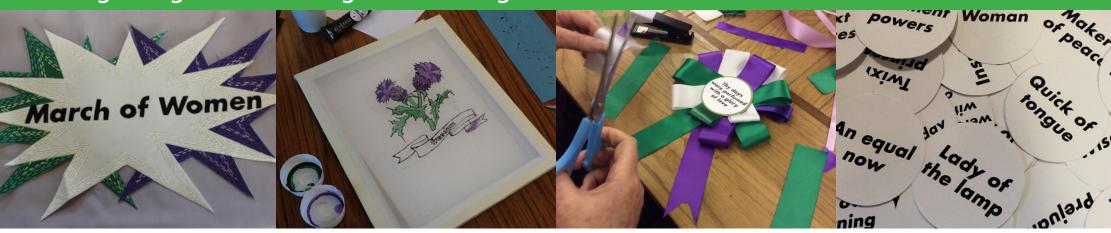
Come to a briefing session at GWL 11.30am on Saturday 7th March, (please wear white). You will select your woman and be given a beautiful sash with her name. Then join us for the performance and take part in our procession.

Interested in joining the March of Women? Please contact us at info@womenslibrary.org.uk or call us on 0141 550 2267 to reserve your space.



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March of Women Creative Workshops

Sashes and Rosettes

Monday 9th February, 11am to 1pm & 1.30pm to 3.30pm, and Tuesday 10th February, 5.30pm to 7.30pm (free)

Come and join us to create sashes and rosettes for the March of Women project.

Whether you want to be part of the performance and procession, or would just like to be involved in making something which can be worn on the day, we would like to invite you to come and create something beautiful in the steps of the suffragettes.

The sashes and rosettes will be worn by the women performing the play *A Pageant of Great Women* as they are processing from Glasgow Women's Library to Glasgow Green on 7th March, 2015.

No experience or artistic flair required, simply come along and have fun! All materials will be provided.

Use the #MarchOfWomen hashtag to tweet about anything relating to March of Women and see other tweets about the project.

Banner Making

Tuesdays 17th and 24th February and 3rd March, 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Come and join us to create banners for the March of Women project.

Whether you want to be part of the performance and procession, or would just like to be involved in making something which can be worn on the day, we would like to invite you to come and create beautiful banners which will be carried by the women participating in the project as they are processing from Glasgow Women's Library to Glasgow Green on 7th March, 2015.

The Creative Workshops are women-only. Contact us to book your place. Call 0141 550 2267 or email info@womenslibrary.org.uk or visit our website for more information on all March of Women activities womenslibrary.org.uk

We need white clothes!

If you are having a clear out and planning to take any items of white clothing to charity please consider donating these to us. We need clothes, shoes, hats and gloves in white. Just drop them in to us at 23 Landressy Street, Glasgow G40 1BP by Monday 2nd March. Thank you!



Women's Words

A world of women's words, written, spoken and heard



Trailblazers

Thursday 12th February, 5.30pm to 7pm (free)

In the first of our Trailblazers events highlighting the achievements of adventurous and daring women past and present, we are delighted to host Evelyn McNicoll (née Camrass) who, along with two other British women, Monica Jackson and Betty Stark, formed the first female expedition to the Himalayas in 1955. Hear from Evelyn about their exploration of an uncharted area between Nepal and Tibet, a expedition into a beautiful, wild and untouched area of the planet.

Contact us for more information or to book on to any events. Call us on 0141 550 2267, email us at info@womenslibrary.org.uk or visit womenslibrary.org.uk

The Story Cafe

Thursdays, 12.30pm to 2pm from 15th January to 19th March & 23rd April to 28th May (£2/free)

Bring along a bite of lunch and relax while you listen to a story being read out loud, then join in with some lively discussion.

This warm and welcoming group suits women of all ages, from all walks of life.

Every week we listen to a story from one of the amazing books on our shelves, along with a selected poem, then have a chat about them. A great way to discover the wealth of fiction on our shelves, get to know new people and engage the grey matter - all while enjoying good food and lots of cups of tea.

Story Café Specials: National Libraries Day

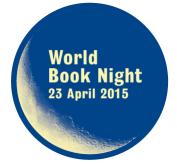
Thursday 5th February, 12.30pm to 2pm

We'll be celebrating our love of libraries with stories and poems about the joys of reading, the evocative smell of books and the weird and wonderful eccentricities of Librarians! Come along and share your memories about libraries, as we relax with tea, cake and friendly chat.

Sex in the Women's Library Season

Thursday 14th May, 12.30pm to 2.30pm

In the novel *The Proof of the Honey,* by Syrian author Salwa al-Neimi, poetic insight blends with sexual frankness. At this Story Cafe Special we will read and discuss extracts from this fascinating work, celebrated by some as a milestone of modern Arabic literature, and condemned by others as scandalous prose.



World Book Night Party!

Thursday 23rd April, 5.30pm to 7pm (free)

We love World Book Night! And we'd love to spend it with you! Come along and pick up your free book(s) and try your luck in our World Book Night Quiz. A night of friendly book chat, readings and fun, it's the perfect chance to get back into reading.

No need to book for our World Book Night event, just come along to the Library at 23 Landressy Street, Bridgeton, Glasgow G40 1BP between 5.30pm and 7pm on Thursday 23rd April. We look forward to seeing you then.



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In Conversation With...

Meet some of the wonderful women behind the titles in our collection.

Writer and Illustrator Kate Charlesworth and Heather Middleton

Thursday 19th February, 5.30pm to 7pm (£3/free)

Sally Heathcote: Suffragette is a gripping and beautifully realised graphic novel. A tale of loyalty, love and courage, it follows the fortunes of a maid-of-all-work swept up in the feminist militancy of the era. We're delighted to welcome the book's highly acclaimed illustrator, Kate Charlesworth, to talk about her work.

A freelance cartoonist and illustrator since 1976, Kate has been widely published, and is currently working on *A Girl's Guide to Sensible Footwear*, a graphic memoir telling the story of L(GBT) history in the UK from 1950 to the present.

Kate will be in conversation with Glasgow-based cartoonist and illustrator Heather Middleton, a regular contributor to Team Girl Comic anthology and one of our 21 Revolutions writers.

Writer Nuala Naughton and Magi Gibson

Thursday 19th March, 5.30pm to 7pm (£2/free)

In her book *Glasgow's East End:* From Bishops to Barraboys, Nuala Naughton brings to life some of the characters and events that contributed to the rich and sometimes turbulent history of Glasgow's East End.

Offering a colourful insight into tenement life, the book includes wonderful anecdotes and interviews with born and bred Eastenders. Nuala will be in conversation with writer Magi Gibson, promising a night of lively, engaging conversation.

For more information or to book onto any of these events contact the Library on 0141 550 2267, email us at info@womenslibrary.org.uk or visit womenslibrary.org.uk



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Mixing The Colours at the Tron Theatre

Friday 6th March, 8:30pm to 10:30pm

A night of new writing on women and sectarianism

Mixing the Colours is GWL's pioneering women and sectarianism project.

In partnership the Tron Theatre's 'Football Colours Allowed' antisectarianism programme we present a night of new writing by Mixing the Colours writers on the theme of women and sectarianism. This event will see the first author readings from our new publication and a specially commissioned dramatic monologue by writer Magi Gibson.

Tickets for this event are free and available from the Tron Theatre www.tron.co.uk

Mixing The Colours Conference

Women Speaking About Sectarianism

Friday 20th March, 9.30am to 4pm

Glasgow Women's Library learners, volunteers, partners and Scottish Government representatives will join us for the launch of our historymaking publication, resource and film. We have curated a creative learning experience for our Conference Programme with a Knowledge Café, presentations by Mixing The Colour's Rachel Thain-Gray and Dr Margaret Malloch of Stirling University, and the Mixing The Colours film. We are proud to present performances of new writing by Mixing the Colours participants, the first author readings from our new publication and a specially commissioned dramatic monologue by writer Magi Gibson.

This event is for those who have participated, partnered and funded the Mixing The Colours project. Please see the Mixing The Colours pages for more information at womenslibrary.org.uk



Women Make History

Workshops & activities exploring the hidden histories of Glasgow's women

Women's Heritage Walks and Bike Ride

Join one of our fortnightly heritage walks or our heritage bike ride. Our walks are unique as they are developed by our learners, volunteers, sessional staff and members of the Learning Team.

The Glasgow Girls of Garnethill (£10/£6) Sunday 15th March, 2pm

Within Garnethill's confined boundaries we spotlight the women who pioneered European art movements, designed the banners for suffragette processions, created the first women's library in Scotland and made Garnethill the most exciting cultural and multicultural hotspot in Glasgow.

Garnethill is at the heart of Glasgow's city centre but remains an unknown quarter for many. This walk takes in its grand tenements, painted gables, miniature park, synagogue and world-acclaimed architectural triumphs. These and other fascinating landmarks help us to tell the stories of some of the most remarkable achievements of women in Glasgow's history.

West End Women's Heritage Walk (£10/£6) Sunday 29th March, 2pm

Join Mary Barbour and Agnes Dollan fresh from their performances at the March of Women on this pioneering women's heritage walk that reveals the hidden histories of Glasgow's West End: including pipe-smoking forewomen, revolting schoolmistresses and the special car made by and for women. A unique and inspiring insight into the hitherto unsung women who made the West End.

Women of the Necropolis (£10/£6) Sunday 12th April, 2pm or Saturday 23rd May, 2pm

Experience our fantastic women's history walking tour which digs the dirt on Victorian society, unearths women's achievements and exhumes the histories of women buried in Glasgow's Necropolis. Our tour guides will tell the stories of both the notorious and forgotten women buried in these atmospheric surroundings. Gain a brand new angle on Glasgow's beautiful, renowned Victorian cemetery.





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East End Women's Heritage Walk (£10/£6) Saturday 25th April, 2pm

Discover the hidden heroines of Glasgow's East End by joining our tour guides on Glasgow Women's Library's newest heritage walk.

The women of the East End have always had to be industrious and resourceful simply to survive. This walking tour focuses on some of their achievements and struggles, and the radical nature of the area which gave birth to them. Find out about the women of the Templeton factory, the Suffragettes held in Duke Street Prison, the woman who set up the Barras and much, much more!

Women of the Merchant City (£10/£6) Saturday 9th May, 2pm

Uncover the Merchant City's hidden history during this walking tour around Glasgow's cosmopolitan hub.

Join Glasgow Women's Library tour guides as we uncover the female stars that stud the fabric of this famous quarter. Scandal, vice, radicalism, regeneration and revival are topics highlighted by our original tour.

All walks cost £10 full price. We offer subsidised places for students, people on a low income, unemployed or those in receipt of benefit, and Friends of GWL. Visit womenslibrary.org.uk to for more information.

Clydeside Women's Heritage Bike Ride (£10/£6)

Sunday 19th April, 2pm

"Little Cycling Sure Shot" Annie
Oakley, prominent Suffragette Flora
Drummond and her Cycling Scouts,
and Paralympian cyclist Aileen
McGlynn are just a few of the women
cyclists featured in this led ride which
celebrates the many ways the bicycle
has liberated women and enriched
their lives.

This ride is led by our tour guides on wheels and follows a gentle and easy route from the Riverside Museum in the West to the Velodrome in the East.

Limited bike hire is available from nextbike.co.uk at the Riverside Museum. These can be returned near the end of the ride on Glasgow Green.

Start points for these events will be given once booking is confirmed. Booking in advance is essential. Visit our website for more information or to book womenslibrary.org.uk, call us on 0141 550 2267 or pop in and see us at 23 Landressy Street, Bridgeton.



Outstanding Women of Scotland Awards

Sunday 8th March, 3pm to 5pm

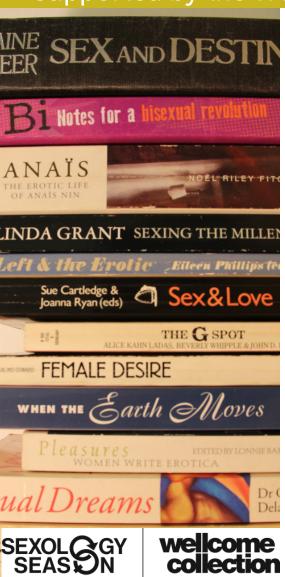
For the past year Glasgow Women's Library has been involved in an exciting new partnership with the Saltire Society to create a new, annual award that will recognise 10 women, nominated by the public, who have made an outstanding contribution to Scottish life and culture.

On International Women's Day we will be proudly hosting a celebratory reception for the inductees and invited guests and will launch a new publication that charts their achievements.

Contact us on 0141 550 2267 for more information or to find out more about booking. You can also visit womenslibrary.org.uk for full details on Outstanding Women of Scotland.



Sex in the Women's Library Supported by the Wellcome Collection as part of the Sexology Season



Sex in the Women's Library

Glasgow Women's Library is full of fascinating, thrilling and groundbreaking objects, images, books and manifestos that map the world of sex, sexual identity and sexuality, from pioneering gender-bending novels like Virginia Woolf's Orlando and Spare Rib's take on women's rights to sexual power and pleasure to the wealth of ephemera charting the campaign trails to liberate women's sexuality.

Starting this Spring and extending into Summer 2015, as part of The Wellcome Collection's Sexology Season we will be offering a feast of fact, fiction and films all about sex to explore and enjoy.

All the Sex in the Women's Library workshops and screenings are free to attend and open to women only.

For more information about the Sexology Season in Glasgow: wellcomecollection.org/sexology

Sex by Numbers is an interactive infographic that invites you to playfully explore the stats about sex and what they mean for you. Visit sexbynumbers.wellcomecollection.org



What Women Talk **About When They Talk About Sex**

Thursdays, 7th & 21st May and 4th June 2015 1pm to 2.30pm & 6pm to 7.30pm

These lively, open, judgement-free facilitated discussion groups are for anyone who wants to share, in a safe space, honest insights into how sex, sexual identity or sexuality figures in their lives.

In Scotland in 2015 what do women feel about their bodies, their relationships, their passions and

pleasures? Who are the subjects of our desires and what are the costs for women today of naming and claiming them? These discussion groups will use the historical model of feminist Consciousness Raising groups to explore the personal and political dimensions of sex in our lives.

Sex Between the Covers Exhibition

Sex Between the Covers: flashpoints, milestones and sexual revolutions in the collections of Glasgow Women's Library exhibition launches in June.

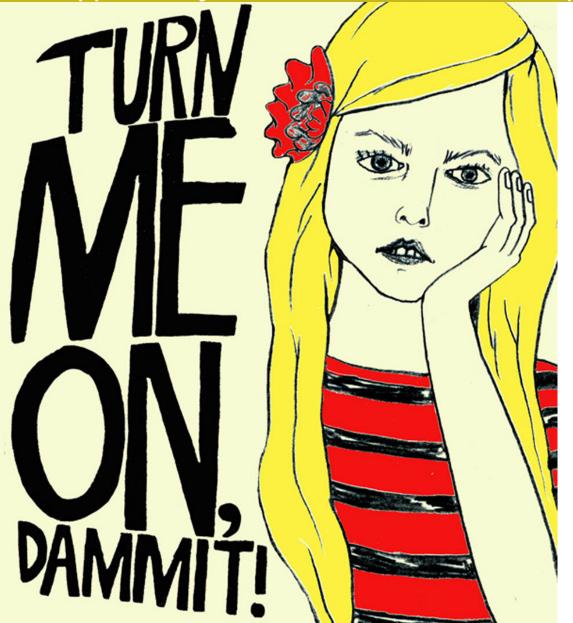
This capsule exhibition, co-curated by GWL and students from the Centre for Gender and Feminist Studies, University of Stirling, will (re)interpret and display some of our museum, archive and library objects and texts on sex that have made social, cultural and political waves.

Some of the provocative and poignant items on show will be used to generate new work by students of the internationally renowned Creative Writing course at the University of Glasgow and our resident Hens Tae Watch Oot Fur young LBT group will be curating a mini show of the best of sex in fanzines.



Sex in the Women's Library

Supported by the Wellcome Collection as part of the Sexology Season



Sex in the Women's Library Film Season

A season of films designed to put women's sexuality on the screen, curated by the Young Programmers. Supported by Film Hub Scotland, part of the BFI's Film Audience Network. These events are womenonly (trans-inclusive).

But I'm A Cheerleader (Cert 15) Saturday 18th April, 3pm to 5pm

We launch our Sex in the Women's Library film season with a screening of this cult film. Megan is an all-American girl whose parents send her to "sexual redirection" school in this comedy about sexual disorientation.

Margarita, with a Straw (Cert 15, please note this event is 18+) Saturday 2nd May, 4pm to 6.30pm

Margarita, With a Straw is an emotionally direct drama about a

young Indian woman grappling with cerebral palsy and bisexuality in New York.

This film screening will be followed by a discussion on disabled women's sexuality, offering a platform for women to explore and discuss this terrain. We will also have cocktails and mocktails for your enjoyment at the event.

Turn Me On, Dammit (Cert 15) Saturday 16th May, 3pm to 6pm at The Arches

In Skoddeheimen, Norway, 15-yearold Alma is consumed by her hormones and fantasies that range from sweetly romantic images of Artur, the boyfriend she yearns for, to daydreams about practically everybody she lays eyes on.

This screening will be followed by a song writing workshop with feminist musical guests. Part of the Arches Sexology weekend.

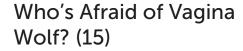
Please note that this film is in Norwegian with English subtitles.



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Festivals, Launches and Screenings

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Saturday 30th May, 3pm to 5pm

For the Sex in the Women's Library film season finale we are partnering with Scottish Queer International Film Festival (SQIFF) for a Scottish premiere screening of Who's Afraid of Vagina Wolf?

An eccentric all-female romantic comedy in which charismatic filmmaker Anna faces a midlife crisis until she finds her muse and decides to do an all-female remake of Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf. This screening will be followed by a Q&A around our Sex in the Women's Library season as a whole.

These events are all free of charge. For more information or to book contact the Library on 0141 550 2267 or email us at info@womenslibrary.org.uk or visit womenslibrary.org.uk

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The Awakening: Book Group Special

Thursday 28th May, 6:15pm

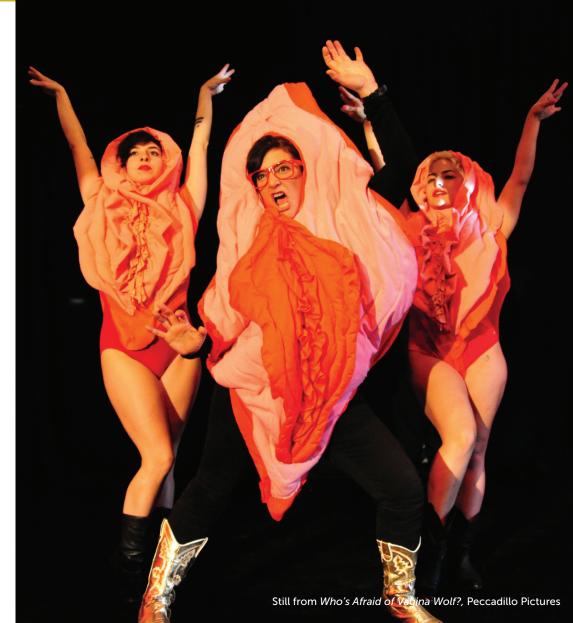
To tie in with the Sex in the Women's Library season our regular book group invite you to join them in discussing *The Awakening* (1899) by Kate Chopin. *The Awakening's* uninhibited treatment of female passion and marital infidelity deeply shocked its first audiences, and it fell out of print for decades. Rescued from obscurity in the 1960s, the novel was hailed as a classic by the second wave feminist movement, and remains a seductive and engaging read today.

Story Cafe Special

Thursday 14th May, 12.30pm to 2.30pm

In the novel *The Proof of the Honey* by Syrian author Salwa al-Neimi, poetic insight blends with sexual frankness. At this Story Cafe Special we will read and discuss extracts from this fascinating work.

More details in the *Women's Words* section of this brochure.





Out & About

Bringing GWL learning to a location near you

Ripples on the Pond 27 March 2015 to 28 February 2016 in Gallery 4, GoMA, Royal Exchange Square

Ripples on the Pond is a Glasgow Museums' collection exhibition and is designed as a conversation between works by women on paper and film. It takes as its starting point recent acquisitions from the Glasgow Women's Library 21 Revolutions print series, relating them to other works from collection and sparking questions about gender and media choice in relation to women's practice and visibility.

Ripples on the Pond is curated by Katie Bruce and is being developed with the Glasgow University Affiliates programme and Modern Edinburgh Film School, along with Lux Scotland and Glasgow Women's Library.



Illuminated Letters at Eden Court Theatre, Inverness

Exhibition

Tuesday 3rd February to Saturday 28th February

From March 2013 to March 2014, GWL and Glasgow's Gallery of Modern Art invited women across the world to write illuminated letters of love and honour to an inspirational woman. Over 200 letters were received and exhibited at the Gallery of Modern Art in 2014 and now a selection of these beautiful and moving letters, including some from women in the Highlands, can be seen in this exhibition.

Illuminated Letters Workshop

Tuesday 3rd February, 10am to 12.30pm

Create your own illuminated letter. At this workshop you can explore our treasure chest of gems, embellishments and other craft and writing materials and create your own illuminated letter. We can help you write it and you don't need any artistic or craft experience.

We have compiled a list of 100 inspiring women, or you might prefer to write a letter to a local woman or another woman who has been important in your life. If your heroine is not on our list, it would be great if you could bring a picture and a short description.

These events are in partnership with WEAWomen@Work and Eden Court Theatre.

To book a place, contact WEA Women@Work on 01463 710577 or book at womenslibrary.org.uk



Women Making History in West Dunbartonshire

Wednesdays, 1pm-3pm, 14th Jan to 25th March and 15th Apr to 27th May at Dalmuir Community Centre, Clydebank

This exciting new Heritage Lottery supported project aims to research and document the life histories of ordinary local women throughout West Dunbartonshire and showcase these through the development of unique community and educational resources, including a Memory Box. As well as the chance to share or discover the life histories of local women, there will also be opportunities for training to develop knowledge and skills in research techniques, oral history interview techniques, use of digital recording/ camera equipment and using archives.

You can join this course at any time, visit womenslibrary.org.uk for more information or call us on 0141 550 2267.



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Untold Stories of East Dunbartonshire Women

Tuesday 27th January, Dean House, Lenzie & Tuesday 17th March, William Patrick Library, Kirkintilloch 6.30pm to 8.30pm

Join us at either of these two events for tea, coffee, biscuits and informal discussion on local women from your local area. Who are the most memorable women in your life and why? Where and when did they live and what did they do? How are they remembered?

From the well-known to unsung heroines, this friendly, social event will include short talks, a fun women's quiz, discussion and hands on activities to give you an introduction to Glasgow Women's Library and some of the women's heritage projects that are happening across Scotland.

Come along, try our women's history quiz and create your own local map of women whose stories deserve to be remembered.

This opportunity is part of East Dunbartonshire Leisure and Culture Trust's Trails and Tales programme which is supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund and Creative Scotland.

To book a place please call 0141 777 3092 or email info@trailsandtales.org

Vintage Tea Party and Film Screening

Wednesday 4th March, 1pm to 4pm, Dalmuir Community Centre

The Women Making History group invite you to afternoon tea, 50s and 60s style!

We want to hear your stories and memories of women's lives in West Dunbartonshire. Come along for tea and cake, bring your favourite vintage object or photograph from the 50s and 60s and tell us your stories about women's lives in West Dunbartonshire.

There'll be vintage costumes, a fabulous 50s movie and the chance to view some objects from the women's library archive. Vintage fancy dress from the 50s or 60s welcome but not essential.

For more information or to book a place call Morag on 0141 550 2267 or email info@womenslibrary.org.uk



"I really enjoyed hearing people's stories and putting women on the map. It was fun."

A participant on previous Untold Stories of Women course



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Aberdeen Inspiring Women Workshops

Following the successful launch of their Women's Heritage Walk in March 2013, Aberdeen Women's Alliance will now be running outreach workshops where anyone can share their own stories of Aberdeen women and take part in fun craft and heritage activities:

Herstory Scrapbooking

Wednesday 4th February, 5.30pm to 8pm at the Town House Restaurant

Celebrate your own story or the story of another woman by creating a scrapbook page. Use a fabulous range of creative paper, gems and embellishments to capture the story of special moments and people. Follow our examples or create your own designs, adding your own images and stories. No arts or crafts experience is necessary. In this session you will learn scrapbooking techniques and create two scrapbook pages about your own life or celebrating the life of another woman.

Women's History Bring and Tell

Wednesday 18th February, 5.30pm to 8pm at the Town House Restaurant

This workshop combines the power of oral histories with the significance of personal objects that highlight women's lives, histories and achievements. Come and share memories, photographs and memorabilia about women who are important to you.

To spark memories why not bring along objects of significance to women - clothes, quilts, recipe books, photographs, letters, songs, toys or gifts.

We will show you how your memories can be recorded. You will be given copies of any recordings made.



Read, Write and Grow Wednesday 11th March, 5.30pm to 8pm at the Town House Restaurant

Creative reading and writing can boost confidence, build self esteem and help our personal growth.

This workshop aims to inspire and will also focus on listening to and discussing a moving, funny, or thought provoking text chosen by Women's Library staff and will involve a small, but exciting, writing exercise around a chosen theme.

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Inspired Consultation: Equality and Diversity

Wednesday 25th March, 5.30pm to 8pm at the Town House Restaurant

What do we mean by equality and diversity? This consultation session is designed for projects or organisations who want to ensure their groups, resources, provision and learning programmes are attracting diverse groups of people. Who is accessing your courses and who isn't and why? How can you ensure your group or project is more and more welcoming to all members of your community and how does a 'widened access' approach benefit everyone?

To book onto any of the Aberdeen Inspiring Women Workshops please contact Aberdeen Women's Alliance, email n_grant17@hotmail.com or telephone 07779 193121.

You can also visit our website at womenslibrary.org.uk for more information on any of our events across Scotland.



Getting Involved

How you can take part and contribute

Young Critics (free)

If you're under 25 and you'd like to get out there and experience an amazing range of arts and culture by women both at Glasgow Women's Library and across the city, and have your say about what you've seen, Young Critics is for you.

From opera to hip hop, ballet to street dance, documentary to musical theatre and everything inbetween, we'll help you access the arts and cultural events that capture your imagination. We provide training and support to help you write reviews and blogs, or even create podcasts or videos that express what you think.

If you're 16-24 and would like to discover more about arts and culture by women and what they mean to you, get in touch!

We meet fortnightly on Wednesdays at 2pm to 4pm, with other events, performances and workshops (some daytime and others evening) to be arranged. All travel expenses will be paid and we can help with childcare costs too.

Contact Karin on 0141 550 2267 for an informal chat or email karin.goodwin@womenslibrary.org.uk





Volunteering with us

We rely on the contributions of dozens of volunteers each year to deliver every aspect of our work: from the lending library to our archive, from tour guiding to distributing this programme by bike, and everything else along the way!

We offer our volunteers training, support and the opportunity to develop their skills in a supportive and welcoming environment. If you too are enthusiastic about the work of GWL and would like to get involved please visit our website at womenslibrary.org.uk or call us on 0141 550 2267 to find out about current volunteering opportunities and how to apply.

'Seeing Things' with Glasgow Women's Library (free)

If you would like to be getting out to see more things happening in Glasgow then this group might be for you!

Seeing Things gives women the opportunity to see and try new things, such as exhibitions, music, theatre or comedy, together with other women who are also interested in exploring some of the many cultural events Glasgow has to offer. Seeing Things supports women's cultural contributions to Glasgow by focusing on seeing work by women artists and producers or work which is about women's lives and histories. The group is a great way to get to know

your city and see things by or about women and be inspired by them!

Upcoming trips in 2015 include photography exhibitions, introductions to Opera, book launches and talks, and a tour of GoMA's upcoming exhibition Ripples on the Pond (see the *Out and About* pages in this brochure for more details on the GoMA exhibition).

We are also looking for volunteers who would like to be involved in choosing the group visits, organising them, taking photographs and gathering feedback from these visits. Volunteers will be supported throughout by our team of friendly volunteers and staff and will be offered training to enhance their skills and gain new ones.

The group is open to all women. If you are interested in joining please contact us on 0141 550 2267 or email info@womenslibrary org.uk

We'd also love to hear from venues and artists who are interested in having the Seeing Things group attend their events. For more information or to tell us about your event please email Alice at info@womenslibrary.org.uk



Getting Involved How you can take part and contribute



Artist in Residence for the Women of Glasgow

Mandy McIntosh has been Artist in Residence between Glasgow Women's Library and Castlemilk Community Centre since August 2014.

The project focuses on the male abuse of women and sets out to open up constructive spaces for women to be heard in the public domain. Mandy has been using the Franki Raffles Zero Tolerance archive based at GWL as a point of reference and departure whilst speaking to women, frontline workers, legal workers, activists, researchers and grass roots community support groups and following her own creative lines of enquiry. She is working directly in response to what women tell her.

One recurring issue for women is the feeling of being let down by a judicial system which is incompatible with the severe complexities of abuse women face. In response to this, McIntosh has declared two bridges in Glasgow as Womens Bridge's, adjacent to and speaking back to the Sherriff Court.

Mandy actively seeks participation upon these platforms from all women in Glasgow. Culminating on International Women's Day, women are invited to make their mark on the bridge and have their say using textile work, banner making and tying knots.

Contact info@womenslibrary.org.uk for further information. You can also visit the Library on Landressy Street to see the Abuse is Ancient hoardings, created by Mandy McIntosh.

Help with Reading, Writing and Numbers

Our Adult Literacy and Numeracy Project supports women at every stage of their learning journeys. Women sometimes want support with all areas of literacy and numeracy. Others need help with just one aspect: for example, writing job application forms, being more confident about studying, or doing creative writing.

It is up to you what you would like to learn and practice. We provide a safe learning space and value each learner as an individual, working with them to tailor learning to meet their needs and improve their confidence. It is a free service and you can get support in a group or 1:1 with a tutor, or both, it's up to you!

If you would like more information. or just want a chat about how we can support you, please contact our ALN Development Worker, Donna Moore on 0141 550 2267.

Learning English

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes take place every week in the Library in partnership with Glasgow Clyde College. If you would like more information please contact us.

For more information on any of our projects or services please contact us on 0141 550 2267, or email info@womenslibrary.org.uk



For more information on anything in the programme contact us on 0141 550 2267 or info@womenslibrary.org.uk, visit the Library online at womenslibrary.org.uk, find us on Facebook or follow @gwlkettle on Twitter



GWL Events Calendar at a Glance

Full details listed throughout the programme

February Mon		Wed 7	Γhur F	ri S	at S	Sun	
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2	3 Illum Letts Workshop	4 Women Make History	5 Story Cafe	6	7	8	
	Illuminated Letters at Eden Court Theatre						
9 Creative Workshops	10 Creative Workshops	11 WMH / Young Critic	12 S.Cafe / Trailblazers	13	14	15	
Illuminated Letters at Eden Court Theatre							
16	17 Creative Workshops	18 Women Make History	19 S.Cafe/K Charlesworth	20	21	22	
Illuminated Letters at Eden Court Theatre							
23	24 Creative Workshops	25 WMH / Young Critic	26 Story Cafe	27	28	1 March	
Illuminated Letters at Eden Court Theatre							

April ^{Mon}	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Necropolis Walk
13	14	15 Women Make History	16	17	18 But I'm a Cheerleader	19 Heritage Bike Ride
20	21	22 Women Make History	23 Story Cafe/World Book Night	24	25 East End Walk	26
27	28	29 Women Make History	30 Story Cafe			

March Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
2	3 Creative Workshops	4 Women Make History	5 Story Cafe	6 Mixing the Colours at the Tron	7 March of Women	8 Outstanding WoS Awards
9	10	11 WMH / Young Critics	12 Story Cafe	13	14	15 Garnethill Walk
16	17 Untold Stories of Women	18 WMH / Young Critics	19 Story Cafe/Nuala Naughton	20 Mixing the Colours Conference	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Ripples on the Pond	28	29 West End Walk
30	31					

May _{Mon}	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2 Margarita with a Straw	3
4	5	6 Women Make History	7 Story Cafe/ Sex in GWL	8	9 Merchant City Walk	10
11	12	13 Women Make History	14 Story Cafe	15	16 Turn Me On Dammit!	17
18	19	20 Women Make History	21 Story Cafe/ Sex in GWL	22	23 Necropolis Walk	24
25	26	27 Women Make History	28 Story Cafe/ Awakening	29	30 Who's Afraid of Vagina Wolf	31

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