



# What's On Glasgow Women's Library September to December 2012



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## Glasgow Women's Library is on the Move

In our 21st year, we will get the key to the door!

We are delighted to announce that, after several years in temporary accommodation, Glasgow Women's Library has finally found a permanent home.

With thanks to Glasgow Life, Glasgow City Council and Clyde Gateway, GWL will be relocating into the beautiful old Bridgeton Public Library building in Landressy Street in the heart of Glasgow's increasingly vibrant East End.

Timescales regarding our full relocation and re-launch are still being finalised but some of our events over this Autumn and Winter period will take place in our new home, introducing GWL to local communities and welcoming in our existing and new learners, Library users, supporters and friends.

We are very excited by our move to an area with such a proud history and rich heritage - an area that is also being transformed through investment in its regeneration. The new GWL is close to the east side of the City Centre and with excellent public transport, and of course we will keep our kettle boiling!

In the meantime we are still raising funds towards the refurbishment of our new home through our Women on the Shelf fundraising initiative. So far we have raised over £25,000, from generous donors across the country, from Oxford to Aberdeen and Flintshire to Fife, sponsoring books, shelves and library sections and dedicating them to an inspiring and memorable woman of their choice. You can donate £10 to sponsor a book, £100 sponsors a shelf and for £1,000 you can dedicate an entire section.

Please keep up to date with our news and events, and find out more about Women on the Shelf, through our website [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk)



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# 21 Revolutions

Two decades of changing minds with Glasgow Women's Library



Kirsty Logan, Laura Marney and Delphine Dallison: Artists and Writers involved in the 21 Revolutions Programme  
Photo by Jean Donaldson

Glasgow Women's Library was launched in September 1991 and, with the support of thousands of donors, volunteers and dedicated workers has grown into a remarkable library, museum and archive collection with a notable history over two decades of delivering mind changing learning and events.

September marks our 21st birthday and we'll be celebrating with a range of exhibitions, readings, walks and talks.

**Exhibition**  
From 22nd September to 13th October (free)

Glasgow Women's Library is a phenomenon: the sole resource of its kind in Scotland. We are celebrating our 21st birthday by commissioning 21 women artists to make new work inspired by GWL's library, archive and museum artefacts. Artists including Claire Barclay, Kate Davis, Lucy Skaer and Karla Black have created work that draws on sources including campaign badges, knitting patterns, suffragette ephemera, album covers, feminist newsletters and lesbian dime novels. Come, celebrate and be inspired.



**Exhibition Preview**  
Friday 21st September  
6pm to 9pm (free)  
Intermedia Gallery CCA

Preview of exhibition by 21 women artists and a display of sources that have inspired the work.

**Gallery Tours**  
2pm on Saturday 29th  
September, and Saturday  
6th October (free)

Get a bird's eye view of our 20th anniversary exhibition with members of the GWL staff team and some of the contributors including the renowned artist Kate Davis.

Not Just The Perfect Moments  
print by Kate Davis for 21 Revolutions



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## 21 Revolutions: Readings by Women Writers (free)

Wednesday 26th  
September, 6.30pm

Wednesday 3rd October,  
6.30pm and

Saturday 13th October,  
4pm

Join us at the CCA to hear freshly created work by some of Scotland's foremost women writers and celebrate Scotland's sole women's library resource.

As part of our 'Two Decades of Changing Minds' twentieth anniversary programme, and linking with the 21 Revolutions exhibition

where 21 artists are showing new work at the CCA's Intermedia Gallery, we are programming a range of related readings events. Several of the 21 writers we have commissioned to make new work inspired by the GWL collections, including Denise Mina, Elizabeth Reeder and Anne Donovan, will read their work and discuss the sources of their inspiration.

We expect these events to be busy so book in advance to secure your place on 0141 248 9969, visit [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk) or email us at [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)

GWL will be launching a free monthly podcast of the 21 Revolutions writings read by the authors and available through iTunes. If you would like more information visit our website [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk)

## The Revolution on Roller Skates (free) Opening Event: Saturday 22 September, 2pm

As her contribution to 21 Revolutions, artist Ellie Harrison has founded the "National Museum of Roller Derby". As a new 'outreach' initiative, the NMRD aims to bring a whole new, strong and revolutionary young audience to the Library, by using it as a home for the UK's first permanent archive for the new and exciting all-female, full-contact sport of Women's Flat Track Roller Derby.

Programmed to coincide with the 20th anniversary exhibition at the CCA, The Revolution on Roller Skates will be the first public exhibition at the Library of materials donated to the new

museum's collection. Carefully curated by members of Glasgow Roller Derby and Auld Reekie Roller Girls – Sharon McMeekin, Cara Viola and Kirstie Meehan – it aims to offer an insight into the fast-and-furious first years of Women's Flat Track Roller Derby in the UK since its beginnings in 2006.

Exhibition Dates: 22nd September to 13th October 2012

Opening Times: Monday to Friday, 10am to 4.30pm (or by appointment)

For more information please visit: [www.nmrd.org.uk](http://www.nmrd.org.uk) or [www.facebook.com/rollerderbymuseum](https://www.facebook.com/rollerderbymuseum)





# Women's Words

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



## Book Week Scotland

Thanks to support from Scottish Book Trust we will be running a range of events at the Library's new home, the former Bridgeton Library in Landressy Street, for Book Week Scotland.

## Dragon's Pen

Thursday 29th November  
6pm to 7.30pm (free) at  
GWL in Landressy Street

During October and November budding women writers can submit short stories and poems for our Dragon's Pen event. At this event you can come and hear the shortlisted writers read their stories in front of our panel of tame but talented dragons including published writers such as Laura

Marney (whose novels include *Nobody Loves A Ginger Baby*), author Kirsty Logan and Women's Library staff. Don't worry: their aim is to support and encourage all writers, rather than roast them over a slow flame.

**Guerrilla Writing Workshop: Fiction in Five Minutes (free)**  
Tuesday 27th November,  
All Day. Out in the Streets of Bridgeton and at GWL in Landressy Street

Two inspiring writers, Helen Fitzgerald, author of *The Duplicate* and *The Devils Staircase*, and Sue Reid Sexton, author of *Maisie's Shoe* will be out and about in Bridgeton throughout the day, holding mini creative writing workshops with the aim of inspiring unsuspecting writers to create a piece of fiction or a poem in five minutes. All the pieces of writing will be posted at our new home at the former Bridgeton Library later that day. Watch out for the writers in a shop, café or office near you and pop into the Library to see the finished pieces.



**Two Decades of Changing Minds:**  
Twenty years of Glasgow Women's Library (free)  
Tuesday 27th November,  
5.30pm to 7.30pm at  
GWL in Landressy Street

At this Book Week Scotland event there is an opportunity to find out more about GWL and how it can inspire and change your mind!

Come along and meet some of the artists and writers who have created wonderful new works for our 21 Revolutions programme, including best selling authors Karen Campbell and Anne Donovan and renowned printmakers Delphine Dallison, and Jacki Parry. We will be showcasing the artworks and the participating writers will be reading from their stories and poems. Some of our treasures will be on display and GWL's librarian and archivist will also be on hand to introduce you to some of the items that have inspired the works.



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## National Poetry Day: Poetry For Fearties Thursday 4th October, 4pm to 6pm (free)

Do you have a favourite poem you'd like to share with others? Would you like to write a poem in a relaxed and comfortable way? Come along to our National Poetry Day event, discover some new poems and write some of your own at our fun and fear-free poetry writing workshop, then submit your poem for our Dragon's Pen event.

## National Short Story Week: Fiction For Fearties Tuesday 13th November, 4pm to 6pm (free)

Do you have a favourite short story you'd like to share? Would you like to write a short story of your own? Come along to our National Short Story Week event, listen to people's favourite short stories and write one of your own at our fun and fear-free creative writing workshop, then submit your story for our Dragon's Pen event.



## Banned Books Week: 30 Years of Liberating Literature Exhibition on from Monday 1st to Monday 8th October (free)

Launched in 1982 in a response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries, Banned Books Week (30 Sept - 6 Oct) is a celebration of the freedom to read. We'd love you to celebrate this freedom with us! Why not drop into the library and borrow a classic banned book, find out more about a banned author, or review a banned book for our website. What better way to celebrate our right to freedom of thought and expression than by reading a book which challenges both us and the powers that be?

## Unwind with a book Weekly on Thursdays, from 12-2pm (free)

Glasgow's first women-only Get Into Reading Group started earlier this year in partnership with the Reader Organisation. If you've not had a chance to come along yet, why not bring a packed lunch and join us to share stories, books and poems in our relaxed and friendly library space.

Whether you're a reader, a non-reader or simply would like some time and space to relax over lunch time, all women are welcome. Read aloud if you're in the mood, or just sit back, relax and enjoy the stories.



## Space for Song (free)

Join our monthly informal singing group. Whether you feel you can sing or not this is a safe space to find out, to use your voice freely, and experience group singing.

Singing songs from Scotland and around the world, and drawing on songs from the Library's archive collection, we will be singing round the following themes:

Women's Lives  
Saturday 29th September, 11am

Peace Women  
Saturday 20th October, 11am

Women's Liberation  
Saturday 3rd November, 11am

16 Days of Activism  
Saturday 1st December, 11am

The group will work with Penny Stone, an experienced song leader and songwriter, and Cath Campbell, an apprenticing song leader, who have years of women's group work, community development & training experience between them. A group not to be missed.

Contact us to book your place.



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**Women's Liberation Music Making in the UK, 1970-1989**  
29th October to 24th November (free)

This interactive exhibition shows how feminists used music as an activist tool to entertain and empower women during the 1970s and 1980s. It showcases rare ephemera and artefacts such as posters, songbooks, t-shirts, instruments and flyers. Visitors will be able to watch films, interact with installations, look at photos and, of course, listen to music.

Please contact us for information about access arrangements. A RNIB Penfriend is available to facilitate access for visually impaired visitors.

**Sirensong Open Mic**  
Monday 29 October, 6pm to 7.30pm (free)

Calling all female musicians and music lovers! We are holding an acoustic Open Mic night at the library to celebrate the launch of the exhibition, If you fancy performing we'd love to hear from you.

**The Message was in the Music: Workshop and Exhibition Tour**  
Saturday 3rd November, 1.30pm to 3pm (free)

Exhibition curator Dr Deborah Withers will be on hand to give a guided tour of Music & Liberation: Women's Liberation Music Making in the UK, 1970-1989. Come along to hear more about the stories behind the exhibits and listen to music together. There will also be a chance to uncover related musical items in our collections with our Archivist.

Why not come along to our Space for Song Singing group at 11am to have a day full of music and liberation.

For more information on this or any other activities in our programme contact the library on 0141 248 9969 or email us at [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)





# Women Make History

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



## Suffragette Postcards Thursday 8th November 5.30pm to 7.30pm

GWL's archive contains a fascinating collection of material relating to the Suffragette Movement. This is a unique chance to explore postcards featuring Suffragette propaganda, both praising and criticising the movement. Can you decode the secret messages hidden within casual greetings? If you find yourself being inspired by the Suffragettes, there's the opportunity to create your own postcard with a message to spread to the rest of the world. Places are limited on this workshop so book now!

Contact us on 0141 248 9969, email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk) or visit [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk) to book on to these Women Make History events.

## Women's Heritage Walks

Join one of our popular women's heritage walks this Autumn.

### Doors Open Weekend: Glasgow East End Women's Heritage Walk Sunday 16th September, 2pm to 4pm (free)

Be one of the first to experience the newest pioneering heritage walk developed by Glasgow Women's Library. Hear tales of the intriguing and inspiring heroines who made Glasgow's East End the rich area of history it is today.

Join Glasgow Women's Library's Women Make History tour guides at the launch of our newest Women's Heritage Walk, grant-aided by Glasgow City Heritage Trust and Historic Glasgow.

Researched by learners and volunteers at the Library this women's heritage walk uncovers the hidden heroines of Glasgow's East End. If you are interested in finding out more about the women who worked in the Templeton factory, Suffragettes who were held in Duke

Street Prison, the woman who set up the Barras (and much more) then this is the perfect way to spend your Doors Open Sunday afternoon.

### Women of the Necropolis Sunday 30th September, 1pm to 3pm (£7.50)

Experience this fantastic women's history walking tour that digs the dirt on Victorian society, unearths women's achievements and exhumes the history of some of the women buried in the Glasgow Necropolis.

### In the Steps of the Ansisters Saturday 20th October, 2pm to 4pm (free)

Part of the Scottish Mental Health Arts and Film Festival, join GWL guides to walk in the shoes of the ansisters on this pioneering women's heritage walk, developed by women historians at GWL, revealing a hidden history of the West End: from pipe-smoking forewomen to revolting

schoolmistresses. An intriguing, inspiring insight into the hitherto unsung women who made the West End.

### Hidden Gems of Garnethill Sunday 23rd September, 2pm to 3pm (free)

A special Women's Heritage walk focussing on women artists, writers and activists and the origins of Glasgow Women's Library.

This short guided walk will be an opportunity to dive into the fascinating and rich history of Glasgow's 'village on a hill' that harbours a wealth of women's history, from Glasgow Girls to the cluster of groundbreaking local and migrant women who helped recreate Glasgow's image of itself. The route takes in the first home of the Women's Library, visits the hub of the world-renowned 'Glasgow Girls', and uncovers some of the more deeply hidden 'gems' of Garnethill. Please note the terrain includes some hills.

Meeting points for all walks will be given at the time your booking is confirmed.





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## *Irish Women of Our Past*

Following on from the "My Glasgow Granny from Donegal" workshops back in March, artist-researcher Rachael Flynn is continuing to develop connections with those who have female relatives in their past who emigrated from Ireland.

The work she makes is a response to both her grandmother's stories and the social histories of the various women who made similar journeys.

She will be holding three separate thematic events in which you are welcome to come along and share stories of Irish mothers, grandmothers, great grandmothers, aunts, cousins...

Passing Down a Sense of Irishness: Wednesday 12th September, 6pm

What These Women Left Behind: Wednesday 19th September, 6pm

Legacy of the Irish Migrant Woman: Tuesday 25th September, 6pm

These sessions are an opportunity to recognise and pay honour the women who faced vast challenges and obstacles in order to shape their own futures.

Rachael is working towards a sculptural installation to be held in mid-October at Film City, Glasgow. The one-off evening event will be documented and available to view online.

[www.irishwomenofourpast.co.uk](http://www.irishwomenofourpast.co.uk)  
[twitter.com/irishwomenpast](https://twitter.com/irishwomenpast)

To book your place on any or all of the sessions please contact us on 0141 248 9969 or visit our website [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk) or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)





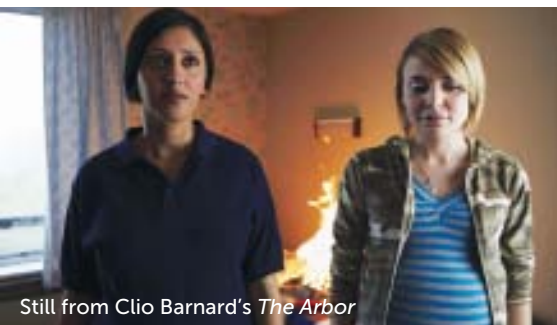
# Festivals, Launches and Screenings

A packed programme of exciting and inspiring events

**SCOTTISH  
MENTAL  
HEALTH  
ARTS & FILM  
FESTIVAL**

This year's festival theme is Walk in Your Shoes. We have a range of events taking place from screenings to Reading for Wellbeing. We also

have festival activities happening in other areas of Scotland detailed in the Out and About pages.



Still from Clio Barnard's *The Arbor*

## Body Talk: The Arbor Tuesday 16th October, 11am at The Grosvenor Cinema (free)

Part of the GWL Body Talk series offering women the opportunity to think about different areas of their health through watching film.

In Clio Barnard's *The Arbor* actors seamlessly lip sync the words of

real life subjects to tell the story of playwright Andrea Dunbar and her tumultuous relationship with her daughter.

Actors walking in the shoes of real people generate a unique cinematic feast while unravelling the truths of a dark family past.

Certificate 15. Some sensitive issues are covered in the film. There will be time for discussion after the screening. Please book your place in advance on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)

## Read for Your Life Thursday 18th October, 12pm to 2pm at the Library (free)

Reading can be a great way to improve our wellbeing and see things from different perspectives, and it can be wonderful to share the experience with others. Come along to this event where we'll be reading aloud and discussing some inspirational stories and poems from the GWL library collection, including work by Sylvia Plath and Jackie Kay.

## Moving Minds: In the steps of the Ansisters Thursday 18th October, 10am at Kelvingrove Museum & Art Gallery

This workshop provides an opportunity to design and create a sash and rosette with words and phrases relating to mental wellbeing. Gems, flowers and embellishments will be provided to decorate the sash.

The completed sash can be worn during our walk 'In the steps of the Ansisters' or can be passed on to someone else to wear for the walk. (The sash will be returned after the walk). If you don't wish for the sash to be used for the walk then you can keep it and take it home.

'In the steps of Ansisters' is a guided walk around the West End following the footsteps of women who have shaped Glasgow through work, protest and education (see Women Make History pages for details).

## Chantal Akerman visits Glasgow

Chantal Ackerman is truly one of the most significant women filmmakers of the 20th and 21st centuries and one of the monumental figures of feminist film theory and criticism.

Upon its release, The New York Times called *Jeanne Dielman*, her pioneering work of 1975, the "first masterpiece of the feminine in the history of the cinema." The film was named amongst the 20 greatest films of the 20th Century by *The Village Voice*.

Chantal Akerman will be in Glasgow at the GFT on Sunday 18th November and will participate in a Q&A after a screening of her new film *Almayer's Folly*. It's a really rich, beautiful film with both feminist and post-colonial themes, based on a Joseph Conrad story and will be screened as part of the French Film Festival UK (8th to 30th November).

Glasgow Women's Library is thrilled to be displaying a selection of text works at the Library that illustrate Ackerman's influential role in feminist and film theory throughout the festival period.



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## New Reading Group for Muslim Women

Glasgow Women's Library is supporting a new reading group for women interested in books and literature written by women with an Islamic perspective.

The group will take place on the following dates:

Monday 10th September  
10am to 11.30am

Thursday 13th September  
6pm to 7.30pm

Monday 22nd October  
10am to 11.30am

Thursday 25th October  
6pm to 7.30pm

The book group came about as a result of Muslim women in Glasgow expressing an interest and need to come together for learning and sharing through the reading of books.

The book group aims to promote education, self-esteem and wellbeing for women in a fun, relaxed and secure environment.

So if you have a passion for books, or find it a challenge to get into the habit of reading, or you just want to make friends then this group is for you. Come along and share your thoughts about books you have read or are currently reading and learn something new! The reading group is also keen to screen films of interest and invite special guest/s (Muslim women writers, poets) to talk about their work.

Light Refreshments will be provided.

## National Disability History Month: GWL Online Exhibition 22nd November to 23rd December

To celebrate National Disability History Month, GWL will unlock the treasures held within the archive to reveal a rich and fascinating story. This will be explored by an online exhibition available on GWL's website to give insight into this previously neglected area of history. Visit [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk) to view the exhibition.

## "I am a Muslim Woman. I Speak for Myself" Exhibition

Monday 15th to Friday 19th October at the Library (free)

'I Speak For Myself' is a national campaign empowering Muslim women to share personal messages with fellow Scots so that together we can challenge damaging stereotypes.

In partnership with Amina, the Muslim Women's Resource Centre, we are proud to present this exhibition aiming to tackle misconceptions and negative stereotyping of Muslim women. Over a hundred portraits and messages from Muslim women from all over Scotland celebrate and highlight the diversity of their experiences, lives and dreams.



## Margaret Tait: Film Poet at Edinburgh Radical Book Fair Friday 26th October, 6.15pm (free)

A poet, a filmmaker, an artist of unique and extraordinary vision - Margaret Tait died April 16th 1999, aged 80.

Glasgow Women's Library, working with filmmakers Marissa Keating and Michael Jones, went on a journey to document the story of this elusive filmmaker and poet through her friends, family, and peers. Join us for a screening of that work.

Before the screening, Dr Sarah Neely (University of Stirling), editor of *Margaret Tait: Poems Stories and Writings* (Carcanet 2012), will give a brief talk on the nature of portraiture in film, referring to a number of film portraits made by Tait, as well as Tait's complicated relationship with her own representation on screen. The screening will be followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers.



# Out & About

Bringing GWL learning to a location near you

## Mapping Memorials to Women in Scotland Training

Who are the women who helped to build Scotland? How are they remembered?

These training sessions will introduce you to the new Women of Scotland website ([womenofscotland.org.uk](http://womenofscotland.org.uk)) where you can participate online in mapping memorials and monuments to women all over Scotland. The sessions will introduce you to finding out how women in your local area have been remembered and telling their story. We will also introduce you to the website and get you started in logging any memorials to women you know of in your own local area.

Wigtown Book Festival, Wigtown Library, 4th October, 2pm-3.15pm

Edinburgh, Edinburgh Central Library, dates to be confirmed

All sessions are free of charge but advance booking is essential. Contact us on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)

If you are interested in holding a training session please contact us.

## Dumbarton Women's History Detectives Taster session Friday 7th September

6 week course Friday 5th October to Friday 9th November, 10am to 12pm at Concord Community Centre, Dumbarton

This autumn we will be creating personal maps of Dumbarton's history – with support from our tutor you can tell us your Dumbarton story and create your own history map. You can include people, places, events and buildings and it can be about your personal history, your family history or the history of other Dumbarton women, past or present.

At our taster event on 7th September you can find out more and create your own mini Dumbarton history map to take away.

All sessions are free of charge but advance booking is essential. Contact us on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



## Clydebank Women's History Detectives 6 week course Wednesday 24th October to Wednesday 28th November, 1pm to 3pm at Centre 81, Clydebank

This ongoing course will develop your skills in researching women's history and is suitable for beginners and experienced alike. This autumn, the Clydebank women's history detectives will be looking at memorials and monuments to women in Clydebank. There will also be archive film showings and visits to archives in Glasgow. Free of charge but it is essential to book a place in advance on 0141 248 9969.

## Dumfries Women's Reading Circle Every last Wednesday of the month, 6pm to 7.30pm at North West Resource Centre, Dumfries

Would you like to meet with other women and develop a supportive reading circle in your local area? Maybe you have a favourite book or poem which has inspired you or helped you through difficult times and would like to share it with others? Our Reading for Wellbeing women's reading circles focus on fiction and poetry by women which offers inspiration and positive support. This autumn, the Dumfries reading circle will be celebrating Scottish Book Week with a special event on 28th November.

If you'd like to come along to Dumfries reading circle, or if you would like to develop a reading circle in your area, get in touch with Morag on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



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We are holding a range of events in Renfrewshire for the Scottish Mental Health Arts and Film Festival.

## Herstory

### Scrapbooking

Thursday 11th and

Thursday 18th October,  
1.30pm to 3.30pm at Life  
Church, Stock Street in  
Paisley

Celebrate your own story or the story of another woman by creating a scrapbook page. In these 2 workshops you will 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. Over these two sessions you will learn scrapbooking techniques and create two scrapbook pages.

Advance booking essential.  
Contact Morag on 0141 248 9969,  
info@womenslibrary.org.uk or  
womenslibrary.org.uk

## In the Steps of the Suffragettes

Exhibition: Monday  
15th to Saturday 20th  
October at The Paisley  
Centre

Craft Workshop:  
Wednesday 17th  
October, 10am to 12pm  
at The Paisley Centre

An exhibition and mini roadshow from Glasgow Women's Library which highlights the battles fought by the suffragettes and other campaigning women. The exhibition will feature some of the fascinating materials from the library's unique archive.

Come along to our craft workshop on Wednesday 17th and create a suffragette rosette with your own personal message for today.

All workshops are free of charge.  
Materials supplied.



## Country Tales: Stories of Health and Wellbeing (free)

A series of themed events rolled out over the seasons (Autumn, Winter and Spring) which will involve visiting local outdoor spaces and woodlands to increase physical activity, using plants and herbs to make exciting products (such as face creams, healing massage oils, sweet fruit vinegars), sharing stories of traditional folklore/country tales and learning how to utilise and preserve the local outdoor environment.

This project is funded by the Community Seedcorn Fund who are keen to connect diverse communities with the outdoor environment. Therefore we are keen for BME women to take part in this fascinating project.

## Autumn Season:

Living Stories  
Thursday 27th September,  
11am to 2pm

An introduction to medicinal plants growing in the local woodlands. A guided herb walk. Tea tastings and simple herbal remedies to take home.

Sharing Stories  
Thursday 11th October, 11am  
to 2pm

Folklore; family tales and memories; sharing remedies. Bring a tale to share - personal, family, or community - telling stories of healing from the woodlands.

Stories of the Seasons  
Thursday 25th October,  
11am to 2pm

Hedge harvesting and gathering wild medicine; fruits of the forest. Exploring ways of preserving the natural food and medicine, available in plenty in the autumn, to use throughout the winter months to come

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## Country Tales Winter Season

Living Stories  
Thursday 15th November,  
11am to 2pm

Meet the living tales, the great beech, the mighty oak, the handkerchief tree and more! Followed by a walk in the woods, folklore, traditional and medicinal knowledge of trees and plants found along the way with herb tea tasting and make a herbal remedy to take home.

Sharing Stories  
Thursday 6th December,  
11am to 2pm

Folklore, family tales and memories. Sharing remedies; personal experiences; group members to share what they have prepared; tea tastings. Professional storyteller to 'tell a story' of woodlands and healing experiences, with a focus on woods, winter and autumn tales.

Stories of the Seasons  
Thursday 24th January ,  
11am to 2pm

Winter the wood at rest...but what is going on behind the scenes? Preparing the ground and sowing the seeds.

To find out more or to book a place please visit our website [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk) call us on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



## Personal History Tours in the Southside Promoting wellbeing through walking and storytelling (free)

Women of Castlemilk, Gorbals, Govanhill and Pollokshields have been creating guided walks based on their personal histories of living in these local areas.

Come along to get a fascinating insight into the lives and experiences of women living in these communities.

During September we will be running a total of 6 walks. Please contact us if you would like to be added to the mailing list for further details.

All walks are free of charge but we do need you to book in advance. Meeting points will be given at time of confirmed booking.

## Personal History Tours: Celebration Event Friday 28th September, 10.30am to 1.30pm at the Library (free)

Come along to celebrate the achievements of the Personal History Tours project, promoting wellbeing through walking and storytelling.

Women from Gorbals, Castlemilk, Pollokshields and Govanhill have worked hard over the past months to develop walking tours which tell their story and experience of living within their local area. You will

meet some of the women, have a look at their maps and hear some of their stories. You will also get a chance to take part in a Glasgow Women's Library Women's Heritage Walk. A light lunch will be provided.

## Personal History Tours: Ibrog & Govan (free)

After the success of the Personal History Tours in Pollokshields, Govanhill, Gorbals and Castlemilk, we are pleased to organise a similar programme for women in Ibrox and Govan.

If you live in the Govan or Ibrox area and are interested in healthy living then this programme is for you. You will have a chance to explore your own area as never before with your very own Personal History Tour. A great opportunity for you to reflect and also to encourage physical activity.

For more information or to sign up for any of the Country Tales or Personal History Tours events contact Syma at the library on 0141 248 9969, email us at [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



# Out & About

Bringing GWL learning to a location near you

**Life Books at GAMH**  
St Andrews by the Green,  
33 Turnbull Street  
8 sessions, starting in  
September

Glasgow Women's Library are pleased to be working with the BME recovery group at Glasgow Association for Mental Health to create individual life books! Use a fabulous range of creative paper, gems and embellishments to create scrapbook to capture your special moments.

If you are from the BME community, interested in mental wellbeing and recovery, and want to get creative then this workshop is for you!

Please contact the Library for more details including start date.

For more information on anything in the programme contact us on 0141 248 9969 or [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk), visit the Library at 15 Berkeley Street, Glasgow G3 7BW, or find us online at [womenslibrary.org.uk](http://womenslibrary.org.uk), on Facebook & Twitter (@gwlkettle)

**Black History Month:  
She Settles in the Shields**  
Wednesday 10th October  
12.30pm to 1.30pm at  
CRER offices, 78 Carlton  
Place, Glasgow, G5 9TH

Inspired by Black History Month, The Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights has organised an event to showcase the work of *She Settles in the Shields*, a publication and exhibition conducted by Glasgow Women's Library. Led by Shamaaila Noorane (one of the researchers for the project), this event will reveal the fascinating stories of hope, isolation, racism, acceptance and integration experienced by the women who travelled to Scotland from all over the world.

You will get the opportunity to view the full exhibition for *She Settles in the Shields* and also meet some of the participants who took part in the publication.

A light lunch will be provided

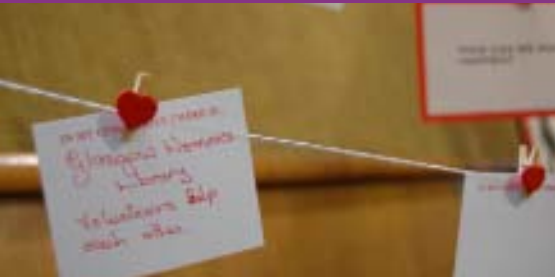


She Settles in the Shields Launch Event 2012 photo by Shazia Niven



# Getting Involved

How you can take part and contribute



## International Day of Volunteering: What could you do?

Wednesday 5th December  
1pm to 4pm at the Library

Would you like to be involved in GWL's successful relocation to the East End of Glasgow? We need volunteers to help us move, create links with individuals and groups in the area, and support us to ensure our new home becomes a great community resource.

Please join us for this session to find out more about who we are, what we do, why we do it and how you can get involved!

## Volunteer with GWL

Volunteering can help you gain new skills and experience while meeting new people and making a difference.

Glasgow Women's Library is part of a cluster of 4 organisations (Move On, Amina the Muslim Women's Resource Centre, and Diversity Films) working together to develop exciting and innovative volunteering programmes which benefit volunteers as well as the work of these charities.

The volunteering opportunities change regularly and can include: covering reception, helping with research, befriending vulnerable people, being a mentor for a young person, providing literacy and numeracy support and much more!

Training and travel expenses are available.

Contact Gabrielle at the Library for more information on 0141 248 9969 or [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



*"I came in here to find out about Women Make History, and now I'm getting involved in being a tour guide. This place is just fantastic."* GWL Volunteer Tour Guide





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## Help with Reading, Writing and Numbers

In the Library we provide one to one support for women to improve their reading, writing and number skills. We also have a groupwork programme running alongside to support this work, including creative writing, communication skills, a young women's project and working with numbers. Please contact our ALN team for more information or to arrange support.

## Learning English

English as a Second or Other Language (ESOL) classes take place every week in the library in partnership with Langside 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 248 9969, or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)

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## Joining and Booking How do I book an event?

To attend an event or course we ask you to join the Library: this is really easy to do and is completely FREE! Just complete a form to receive your borrowers card and we will post this out to you. Forms can be completed online, or you can call in & see us to fill one out. Joining gives you a unique GWL number that you can then use to register on events.

## Do I need to pay?

While a lot of our events are free, we do ask for a small contribution towards some of our learning events. Where you see prices listed against an event these generally fall under two categories: Full Price for people who feel that they can afford to pay a small amount to attend events and want to contribute to the library's work, and Subsidised Rates (usually free) for students, people on a low income, unemployed or in receipt of benefits. We do not ask for proof of this, it is done on a trust basis and you self-evaluate your situation.

GWL Friends can access all our learning programmes for free.

All the money we receive helps us to keep providing events and courses, and directly supports the work of Glasgow Women's Library.

## 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! It is also important so that we can ensure you have all the details you need about an event, especially if there are any last minute changes. It is also just as important for you to cancel a place in advance if you can't attend as we often have waiting lists. So don't let someone miss out on an event they would have loved to attend, give us a call.

If you have any questions about this or anything else you have read in the programme please contact us on 0141 248 9969 or email [info@womenslibrary.org.uk](mailto:info@womenslibrary.org.uk)



# Calendar at a Glance

Full details listed throughout the programme

## September

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3	4	5	6 <i>Unwind with a Book</i>	7 <i>Dumbarton Women's History</i>	8	9
10 <i>Muslim Women Reading Grp</i>	11	12 <i>Irish Women of Our Past</i>	13 <i>U.W.A.B Muslim Wm Reading Gr</i>	14	15	16 <i>East End Heritage Walk</i>
17	18	19 <i>Irish Women of Our Past</i>	20 <i>Unwind with a Book</i>	21 <i>21 Revolutions Launch</i>	22 <i>Roller Derby</i>	23 <i>Hidden Gems Walk</i>
24	25 <i>Irish Women</i>	26 <i>Reading Event</i>	27 <i>U.W.A.B. Country Tales</i>	28 <i>Personal History Tours Celebration</i>	29 <i>Space for Song</i>	30 <i>Walk in Necropolis</i>
21 Revolutions at CCA						

## October

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 <i>Banned Books Week</i>	2	3 <i>Reading Event</i>	4 <i>Poetry for Fearties</i>	5 <i>Dumbarton Detectives</i>	6 <i>Gallery Tour</i>	7
21 Revolutions at CCA						
8	9	10 <i>BHM She Settles</i>	11 <i>Herstory/ Country Tales</i>	12 <i>Dumbarton Detectives</i>	13 <i>Reading Event</i>	14
21 Revolutions at CCA						
15 <i>Amina &amp; Suffragette Exhibitions</i>	16 <i>Body Talk: The Arbor</i>	17 <i>Paisley Craft Workshop</i>	18 <i>Read for Your Life/ Moving Minds</i>	19 <i>Dumbarton Detectives</i>	20 <i>Space Song/ An-sisters Walk</i>	21
22 <i>Muslim Women Reading Grp</i>	23	24 <i>Clydebank Detectives</i>	25 <i>Reading Grp/ Country Tales</i>	26 <i>Margaret Tait: Film Poet @ ERIB</i>	27	28
29 <i>Siren's Song Open Mic</i>	30	31 <i>Clydebank Detectives</i>				

## November

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2 <i>Dumbarton Detectives</i>	3 <i>Space for Song/ Msg in the Music</i>	4
5	6	7 <i>Clydebank Detectives</i>	8 <i>U.W.A.B. Suffragette Postcards</i>	9 <i>Dumbarton Detectives</i>	10	11
12	13 <i>Fiction for Fearties</i>	14 <i>Clydebank Detectives</i>	15 <i>U.W.A.B./Country Tales</i>	16	17	18 <i>Chantal Akerman in Glasgow</i>
19	20	21 <i>Clydebank Detectives</i>	22 <i>Unwind with a Book</i>	23	24	25
National Disability Month Online Exhibition						
26	27 <i>Guerilla Writing/Two Decades</i>	28 <i>Special Wigtown ReadingGrp</i>	29 <i>U.W.A.B. Dragon's Pen</i>	30		
National Disability Month Online Exhibition						

## December

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1 <i>Space for Song</i>	2
3	4	5 <i>Int Day of Volunteering</i>	6 <i>U.W.A.B./Country Tales</i>	7	8	9
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