

GLASGOW WOMEN'S LIBRARY

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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 offers exciting events, activities and courses through its various learning programmes linked to its collections.

JOINING AND BOOKING

How do I join the library?

Joining the library is really easy to do and is completely FREE! Complete a form at GWL or join online.

a low income, unemployed people or people in receipt of benefits. We do not ask for proof of this. GWL Friends also access all our events at a subsidised rate.

How do I book an event?

You can book through our website, in person at GWL, or call or email us.

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, biscuits and teabags we need! We can also 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 read in the programme please contact us.

Do I need to pay?

Most GWL events are free. Where events do have a booking fee we have two rates: 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

GREEN WAYS TO GET TO BRIDGETON

Our Environmental Policy sets out how we aim to reduce our carbon emissions, including supporting our visitors to travel by foot, bike or public transport.

By bike: We are on one of the city's best cycle routes which follows the Clyde, to the East and the West. You can hop on a Next Bike for £1 per 30 minutes and return it to the docking station round the corner.

On foot: We're a 30 minute walk from the city centre.

By public transport: Take advantage of the great public transport links to Bridgeton: low level trains from Glasgow Central station take 10 minutes. Bellgrove Rail Station is a 10 minute walk away connecting visitors from Edinburgh and Queen Street Low Level. Buses 18, 46, 64 and 263 stop at the end of our street.



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A WARM WELCOME: SPRING 2018



Credit: Fiona Jack

The library is always fizzing with the energy of creativity. This new year we have some amazing new artists, designers and makers as well as writers and playwrights bringing their talents through our doors, into our learning programmes and onto the façade of GWL! No less than 6 innovative designers and craftswomen will be launching products they have designed especially for GWL inspired by our collections with linked workshops, talks and opportunities to meet the makers. International arts stars such as **Linder** and **Fiona Jack** promise to bring magic to our home in Bridgeton so make sure you are there at launches and the sessions we have planned in this programme to learn more about them and their work. 'In Residence' at GWL throughout 2017, artist **Hannah Leighton Boyce's** new work comes to fruition this spring. See it at Castlefield Gallery, Manchester between 9th March and 29th April and the work will tour to GWL in early 2019.

2018 is the year of multiple centenaries marking the greatness of women locally and globally and GWL will be launching an array of exciting activities from those

that celebrate women winning the right to vote to ways to mark **100 years of Muriel Spark**.

If you are just discovering GWL, come along to our new **This is Who We Are** session on Thursday 17th May from 6pm to 7.30pm or join us at one of our legendary programme launches with tasters, exhibition previews, tours and book sales. The **Summer Programme Launch** date is: Thursday 24th May from 1pm to 2.30pm and 6pm to 7.30pm.

GWL Warm Welcome drop-ins take place on the first Saturday of the month and are another relaxed way to find out about borrowing, volunteering and events.

Women-only events are labelled throughout the programme. All events are trans inclusive. All events are free unless otherwise stated. GWL is an accessible venue: please contact us if you have specific requirements. All events are located at Glasgow Women's Library unless otherwise stated and are open to all ages.

Cover image: Detail from Research drawing for 'From Glasgow Women's Library' Sally Hackett 2017

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY

A rich array of ways to discover the hidden histories of women

Processions and Participation: Banner Making Workshops

Saturday 24th February, Saturday 3rd March, then fortnightly until Saturday 14th April, 1pm to 3pm, Women only

One hundred years ago, women didn't just tell the world they were equal: they showed it. Hosted by visual artist **Helen de Main**, these sessions are about women coming together to create a banner reflecting what political participation means to us today, a century on from the Representation of the People Act 1918.

These workshops are part of **PROCESSIONS** by Artichoke and 14-18 NOW, a project bringing thousands of women together in creative workshops leading to UK-wide public processions on **Sunday 10th June**.

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



Suffragettes with tartan sashes, 1908. Credit: Courtesy of LSE Library

The Open Archive: Tracing Stories in the East End

Saturday 24th February, 1pm to 3pm

Chart the twists and turns of the lives of three generations of women in one family at this Open Archive led by our **Community Curators**. Our records give vivid impressions of life in the East End from the perspective of a nun, a Post Office worker, a housewife, a power loom weaver and a cleaner at Belvidere Fever Hospital. Trace their lives in the city with our interactive map and delve into a wealth of material including this local family's photos, papers and belongings, to see how their stories speak to women's experiences across the decades.

Caroline Phillips: Scottish Suffragette and Journalist

Saturday 10th March, 1pm to 3.30pm, 16+, Women only

Caroline Phillips was the leader of the Aberdeen suffragettes from 1907-09 and her correspondence with WSPU leaders offers a unique insight into the suffrage campaign. By exploring her letters we'll learn about her involvement in militant action in Scotland, and how her career as a woman journalist helped and hindered her adherence to 'the Cause'.

Facilitated by **Professor Sarah Pedersen** of Robert Gordon University, attendees will receive a copy of the recently published edition of Caroline's correspondence.

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY



Laundry Poles on Glasgow Green Credit: GWL

Women's Heritage Walks

Our **Women Make History** project has uncovered many resourceful, radical and creative women who ought to be better known. These guided walks put them in the limelight and ensure that their contributions to Glasgow, both past and present, are celebrated, valued and more widely recognised.

Each guided walk lasts 2 hours and is led by experienced tour guides who look forward to sharing the hidden histories of Glasgow's women with you, from housewives to hawkers, artists to activists, and entrepreneurs to entertainers.

Pick up one of our **Stamp as you Stomp** loyalty cards from our tour guides or next time you're at GWL. Do all 6 walks and get a very special Women Make History treat!

To book on to any of our Women's Heritage Walks please visit our website at womenslibrary.org.uk, come in to see us, or call us on **0141 550 2267** for more information. **Booking is essential** as payments cannot be taken on the day. Further details of where to meet will be provided once booking is confirmed.



Main Street Gorbals, 1911. Credit: Courtesy of Creative Commons

Merchant City Women's Heritage Walk

Sunday 15th April, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

Scandal, vice, radicalism, regeneration and revival... Discover another side to the Merchant City as we retrace the footsteps of women who gave birth in the Maternity Hospital on Rottenrow and picture ourselves as the jury in a sensational Victorian murder trial.

This walk is BSL interpreted.



Women of the Gorbals Heritage Walk

Sunday 29th April, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

This tour highlights suffragettes, Jewish and Asian immigrants, hawkers and weavers, all of whom have inhabited this part of Glasgow, often facing daily challenges to make ends meet, but using their resourcefulness and creativity to strive and thrive.

Necropolis Women's Heritage Walk

Sunday 13th May, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

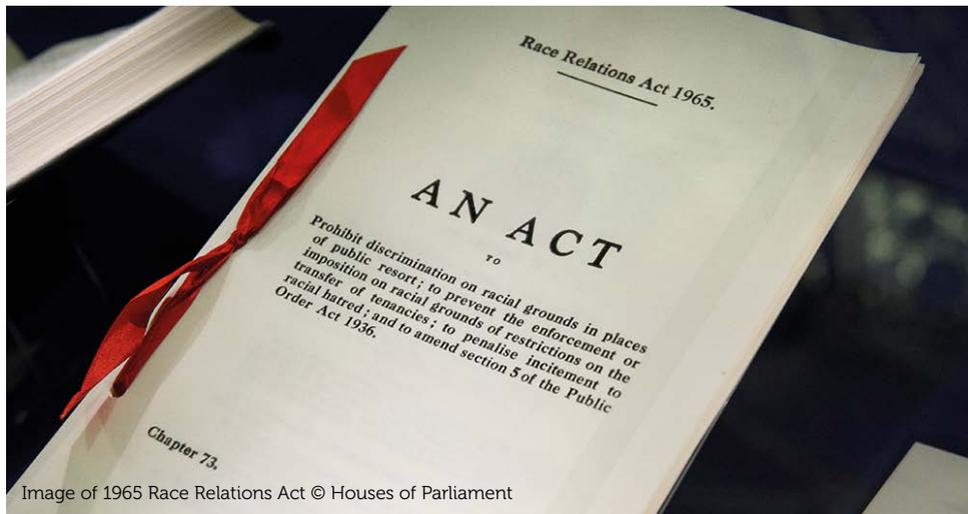
Take a stroll through this atmospheric Victorian cemetery while our tour guides bring back to life the notorious and forgotten women buried here. This is a hilly walk but the views across Glasgow and the insights on women's history are spectacular!

The Glasgow Girls of Garnethill

Sunday 20th May, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

From the bustle of Sauchiehall Street to the quiet and leafy back streets, Garnethill is full of surprises and has been home to many remarkable women, including **Margaret Macdonald** and other lesser known Glasgow Girls.

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY



First Waves: Exploring the Impact of Race Relations Legislation in the UK

Wednesday 25th April, 11am to 1pm,
Women only

The Race Relations Act 1965 was the first legislation to address racial discrimination in the UK; further strides were made in 1968 and 1976. What was life like in Glasgow during these years? How have things changed? Artist **Scarlett Crawford** is gathering stories to create artworks that reflect the growth towards an inclusive democracy. This is a chance to meet Scarlett, share memories, have some lovely food, and come together to plan a series of workshops that champion the communities who fought for change.

A partnership project with UK Parliament Speaker's Advisory Committee on Works of Art.

Women's Heritage Bike Ride

Saturday 12th May, 1pm to 3pm,
Meet outside GWL

Let us guide you along the East End's excellent cycle paths and along the Clyde to Glasgow Green, stopping along the way to share some key events in women's cycling history.

Follow in the tracks of pioneering women athletes, militant suffragettes, and a vaudeville performer, and gain insight into why bicycling, **"has done more to emancipate women than anything else in the world"** (Susan B. Anthony, American social reformer and women's rights activist).



Women Making It

Fortnightly from Friday 9th February to Friday 18th May,
10.30am to 12.30pm, Women only

Spring is here: time to unwind and try something new! GWL has bitesize learning and fun on offer including scrapbooking, badge making, creative writing, film screenings and much more. Over spring, we'll also be venturing out to visit museums and galleries and other places in Glasgow to get inspired and see what's on offer.

The drop-in sessions are open to all women, so if you live round the corner or on the other side of town, pop by to connect with others, make new friends and take part in learning in a fun and creative way.

"I FELT WELCOMED AND I ENJOYED THE CRAFT AND CONVERSATION."

Women Making It participant

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WOMEN'S WORDS

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

Story Café

Thursdays 25th January, 8th February to 29th March, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, Friday 13th April, 2pm to 4pm, Thursdays 19th April to 10th May, 31st May, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free, 16+, Women only

Rediscover the joy of being read to at our legendary lunchtime **Story Café**, as we immerse ourselves in tales of life, love and longing by the best women writers from across the globe. Last year we were spellbound by long-distance love affairs, awestruck by impulsive acts of bravery and thrilled by dramatic cityscapes. There's always room around our table and more tea in the pot, so sit back, relax and become part of the story.

Story Café Specials:

Dilys Rose

Thursday 8th February, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free, 16+

Set amidst the taverns and tenements of Edinburgh, award-winning writer **Dilys Rose's** latest novel, **Unspeakable**, is based on the true story of the last person in Britain to be tried and executed for blasphemy. Evoking the intolerance of 17th century Scotland, this richly atmospheric novel brings to life an unforgettable character with subtlety and deep humanity.

Spring stories

Thursday 15th March, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free,

See the beauty of the natural world with fresh eyes as we explore luminous landscapes, storm-tossed seas, wild places and untamed creatures. We'll be dipping our toes into books by some award-winning writers, including **Amy Liptrot** and **Helen Macdonald**. A lovely way to welcome Spring into the library!



Story Café Special with Anne Pia, Credit: Katy Owen

Stories from the Baltic States

Friday 13th April, 2pm to 4pm, £2/Free, 16+

It's not often we get to hear writers from Latvia and Estonia, so we're thrilled that, with support from the British Council, two writers from the Baltic States will be joining us to read from their work, talk about their own writing, and explore the position of women writers in their own countries. An unmissable chance to hear fresh voices and perspectives.

Ethyl Smith

Thursday 26th April, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free

We're delighted to welcome back **Ethyl Smith** to Story Café to talk about **Dark Times**, the sequel to her critically acclaimed debut novel, **Changed Times**. Set in 17th century Scotland, and written with a fine ear for Scots dialect, it continues the story of the Covenanters rebellion, evoking a time in Scottish history where greed, power and religion created a dangerous mix.

Donna Moore

Thursday 10th May, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free, 16+

Donna Moore will enthrall us with her linked historical novellas, exploring the treatment of women in the Victorian and Edwardian eras. **The Smuggler's Bride** tells the story of a young woman who is committed to Stirling District Asylum during the 1870s by her controlling husband. Donna will be revealing the stories behind some of the real women in the Asylum, and giving us a fascinating glimpse into her ongoing research.

"WE WERE ALL SO THRILLED THAT STORY CAFÉ WAS A FINALIST IN CILIP'S UK-WIDE LIBRARIES CHANGE LIVES AWARD 2017!"

Wendy Kirk, GWL Librarian

WOMEN'S WORDS



Reading Group for Muslim Women, 2017 Credit: GWL

Utter: Raise Your Voice

Fortnightly from Thursday 1st February to 29th March, 26th April to 24th May, 6pm to 7.30pm, Women only

Our singing group with a difference brings together women of all ages and abilities to celebrate womanhood through the power of our collective voice. Each session uses music and movement to explore a particular aspect of our personality. Build your confidence as you experience the joy of making music. Come as often as you like. No auditions, no need to read music, and no singing experience necessary.

Creative Writing Workshops for Muslim Women

Saturdays from 27th January to 24th March, 1.30pm to 3.30pm, age 16 to 30, Women only

Storying Relationships and GWL are delighted to be offering creative writing workshops for young Muslim women this spring. These workshops will explore literature by local Muslim writers, open up conversations about engaging with texts, develop skills across poetry, short stories and journalism and inspire your writerly observations. All this in a relaxed and supportive environment!

Reading Group for Muslim Women

Fridays 16th February, 30th March, 11th May, 10am to 12pm, Women only

This Reading Group has as its focus books written by Muslim women or with topics of particular relevance to Muslim women today. You may be passionate about books and love to share them with others, or you simply want to get into the habit of reading but find it challenging, whatever your motivation this group is for you! Laugh, learn something new, share your perspectives, make new friends and enjoy refreshments in a fun and relaxed environment.

To find out more please contact syma.ahmed@womenslibrary.org.uk

Belonging with Open Book

Tuesdays 6th February, 27th February, 3rd April, 1st May and 5th June, 10.30am to 12.30pm, £2/Free, Women only

Described as "the most interesting and inspirational mornings" by one participant, these vibrant and thoughtful monthly workshops led by poet **Marjorie Lotfi Gill** explore themes of journey, migration and belonging. By reading together poems and short stories as prompts for your own creative writing, these relaxed sessions are perfect for seasoned writers and beginners alike. Come to one or come to all!

"I FEEL GREAT GETTING BACK INTO READING AGAIN. THE BOOKS ARE AMAZING AND I REALLY ENJOY DISCUSSING INTERESTING LITERATURE WITH LIKE-MINDED WOMEN OVER A CUP OF TEA!"

Reading group participant

Drama Queens: Play Reading for Pleasure

Thursdays 8th February, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 15th March, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 5th April, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 3rd May, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, £2/Free, Women only

It's curtain up time once again for the next Act of **Drama Queens**: armchair drama without the stage fright. Sitting in the wings, we'll take our cues for an informal reading of some of the wonderful plays in our collection. Forget the roar of the greasepaint and the smell of the crowd, we'll be backstage with tea and biscuits. Come to one or come to all; come to read or come to listen... no props or preparation required.

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Creative Writing For Fearties: Lose Yourself in Writing

Thursdays 8th February, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 15th March, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 5th April, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 3rd May, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, £2/Free, Women only

This Spring, our supportive and encouraging workshops will coax seeds of creativity into a flowering window-box of words. Whether you have loads of experience or none at all, there is something for everyone in these sessions.

Creative Writing Support Group

Tuesdays 27th February, 27th March, 24th April, 22nd May, 2pm to 4pm, £2/Free, Women only

As requested by Creative Writing for Fearties participants, we have created space for writers to meet each other, share work in an encouraging atmosphere, support each other to hone writing skills, try out ideas and develop new projects. Get a cuppa, get creative and get support from other writers in this friendly group. At first, the sessions will be facilitated by GWL until the group is established.

Creative Writing For Fearties: Dear Me

Saturday 17th March, 1pm to 3pm, £2/Free, Women only

You asked, we listened; this Spring we have not one but two Creative Writing For Fearties Specials.

This year sees the 100th anniversary of the Representation of the People Act when women over the age of 30 who met a property qualification were granted the right to vote. We're celebrating this auspicious occasion with a Creative Writing Special using the striking pro- and anti-Suffragette postcards from our collection. With their intriguing images and miscellany of mixed messages, there is a wealth of material to mine for creative writing gems.

Creative Writing For Fearties: Muriel Spark Centenary Special

Saturday 14th April, 1pm to 3pm, £2/Free, Women only

In this workshop, our writing will be inspired by the incomparable Muriel Spark. "For those who like that sort of thing," said Miss Brodie in her best Edinburgh voice, "That is the sort of thing they like." We won't want to stop once the creative Spark has been ignited!



Credit: GWL

Performing Power

Saturday 24th March, 12pm to 4pm, £5/£3, 14+

How do women experience the process of securing, and being in, positions of power and authority in the UK? How are they treated and perceived by others once they are in those positions?

Presented by Glasgow-based performance company Fire Exit, this symposium will examine these questions through discussions between specialists in areas such as linguistics, voice coaching and psychology, plus senior business and arts leaders.

Open the Door: Words with Women Writers

Friday 18th May, 10am to 6pm, Online

This year we're taking our popular literary festival online as a day-long virtual event so that people from around the corner and around the world can discover and discuss the vibrancy of Scottish women's writing past and present. Taking inspiration from Scottish literary legends Sandie Craigie, Olive Fraser and Muriel Spark, together we'll be getting to know their work and opening the door to new talents and the thoughts of readers. Look out for recorded interviews, Twitter and Facebook chats and exclusive online content. #OpentheDoor2018



PERFORMANCE, PARTIES AND FILM

Be there at the start of fresh new conversations and enjoy a feast of films and festivals

Chosen (Custody of the Eyes)

Thursday 22nd February,
5.30pm to 7.30pm

Chosen forms a portrait, through self-scrutinising video recordings, of a former blogger and painter confronting what she believes is her calling: becoming a cloistered contemplative nun in one of the strictest religious orders. **Chosen** is a coming of age story about "Heather" the newest member of the 800-year-old religious order, tracing her interior journey as she becomes "Sister Amata". This collaborative film grants viewers a unique encounter with an otherwise remote world.

UK Premiere of **Chosen**, part of **Glasgow Film Festival 2018**.

"THERE WAS A BEAUTY IN THE PERSONAL, HANDMADE QUALITY OF THIS FILM THAT MADE ONE FEEL SO CLOSE TO THE SUBJECT ... LIKE WE WERE BEING TOLD A SECRET."

Donna Kozloskie, Programmer for Citizen Jane Film Festival

Cultural Fusion

Thursday 8th March, 11am to 2pm,
Saint David's Knightswood Parish Church, Glasgow, Women only

Enjoy a catwalk with a difference, fusion inspired dress and textiles, alongside story-telling, dance, music, poetry and more at this joyful celebration of cultural heritage on **International Women's Day**. Be inspired by the work of local women's groups and artists whilst tucking into some delicious food at this welcoming party.

Book Party Giveaway

Saturday 28th April, 2pm to 4pm

It's the return of our much-loved Book Party Giveaway! Grab your free book, try your luck at our book quiz, or get creative making your own book spine poems. Our fabulous Book Champions will be spotlighting their favourite reads, whilst our Book Doctors will have wild and wonderful recommendations to kickstart your reading. With tea and cake, it's the perfect way to make the most of a Saturday afternoon. Part of **World Book Night 2018**.



Isabella Baronello's Great-Grandmother and friends. Credit: Courtesy of Isabelle Baronello

Femspectives presents: 46 Years in the Future

Saturday 5th May, 12.30pm to 5pm, 16+

In 1972 the Edinburgh International Film Festival hosted the UK's first women's film festival, which was entirely dedicated to the cinematic achievements of women directors. 31 films were screened with the hope to change the canon and film history forever. Today, 46 years later, most of these films are, once again, lost. We will re-visit two feature films from the original programme and contextualise them anew in our discussion sessions after each screening. This screening is part of the **Radical Film Network Festival 2018**.

Lizzie, Lady of Hozier Street

Thursday 31st May, doors 6.30pm, performance 7pm to 8.30pm, Saturday 2nd June, doors 12.30pm, performance with Q&A 1pm to 3pm, £8/£6

Set in post-War Bridgeton, this play evokes the thousands of unsung heroines that made up the fabric of the streets of Glasgow. Based on true events, **Lizzie, Lady of Hozier Street**, records a moment in time and a working class women's determination to keep her family together. Our Saturday matinee performance includes a Q&A with playwright, and Lizzie's granddaughter, **Isabella Baronello**.

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ARTISTS AND EXHIBITIONS

Ground breaking work on show and pioneering creatives to discover

Seeing Things 16+, Women only

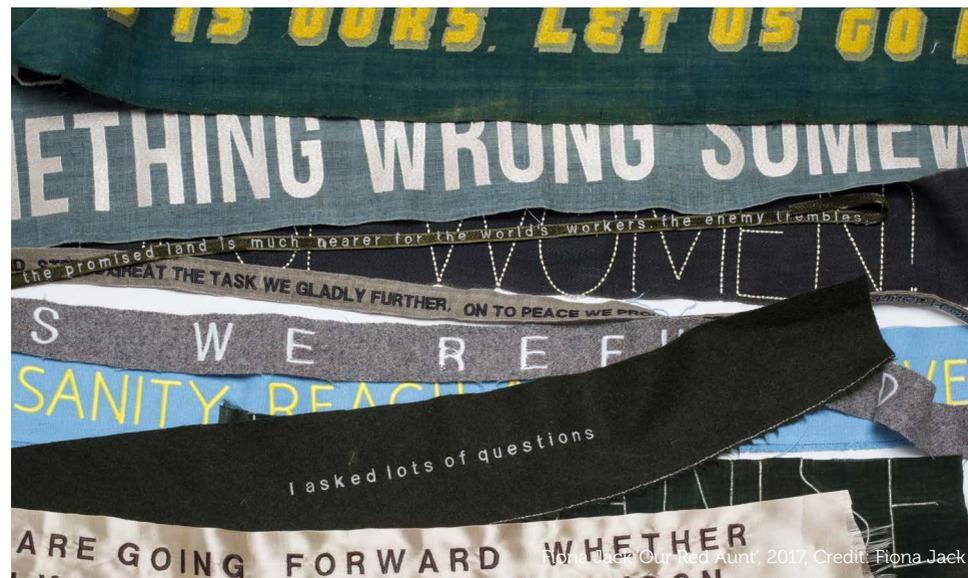
Seeing things is always more fun with others!

If you would like to know more about women's art our **Seeing Things** trips are a great place to start. Join our friendly group to see creative work by women at GWL and other venues.

Look out for the **Seeing Things** stamp in this programme, keep an eye on the website or get in touch to find out about free upcoming trips. Travel expenses provided (up to £5).



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Our Red Aunt

Friday 2nd February to Saturday 17th March, visit during GWL opening hours

New Zealand-based artist **Fiona Jack** presents sculpture, ceramics, and a publication made in response to the life and politics of her Great Great Aunt, prominent Scottish activist and suffragette, **Helen Crawford**. With Helen's unpublished autobiography, as well as artwork made in collaboration with family and friends, **Our Red Aunt** pays thoughtful attention to Helen's words and work, and the relevance of her critical perspectives today.

Fiona Jack: Artist's Talk

Saturday 3rd February, 1pm to 3pm

Fiona Jack talks about her practice and research into suffragette **Helen Crawford's** unrelenting crusade against injustice, whilst we enjoy 'Jack's Rolls' made by High Rise bakers following an old Jack family recipe.



Untouchable – Gypsy Witch – The Radically Diverse:

Artist Talk by **Delaine Le Bas**
Monday 26th February, 12pm to 2pm

How does it feel to be a minority within a minority? The other within the others? An outsider amongst the outsiders? The installations, photography, film and performance of **Delaine Le Bas** visualise, wrestle with, and interrogate this situation. This artist talk by Delaine, a British multimedia artist from a Romany background, compliments her exhibition taking place at Transmission Gallery from 3rd November to 8th December 2018.

ARTISTS AND EXHIBITIONS



Moving Minds, Credit: Courtesy of MECOPP

Moving Minds

Saturday 12th May to Saturday 9th June, visit during GWL opening hours

In an open, honest and often humorous way, contributors to this exhibition have shared memories and photographs of objects with special significance to them, telling diverse stories from Scotland's Gypsy and Traveller population.

Moving Minds: Exhibition Launch

Saturday 12th May, 1pm to 3pm



An afternoon of traditional crafts with some of the Moving Minds contributors. Join the informal myth-busting chat and learn some new craft skills. The Moving Minds Exhibition was created by MECOPP and Gypsy/Travellers across Scotland.



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Linder's Flag and Film

Thursday 19th April to Monday 7th May, 10am to 6pm Monday to Wednesday and Friday to Sunday and 10am to 7.30pm on Thursdays

One of the most significant feminist artists of her generation, Linder has created interventions of uncanny glamour and enchantment in Glasgow's East End. Her site specific works, commissioned by GWL, include a spectacular flag for the Library's façade, drawing upon the feminist and pop culture artefacts in our collection. Linder has also created a film work, shot on location at the Mary Queen of Scots Bower, Chatsworth, Derbyshire, where the anointed queen spent some of the fifteen years she was detained under the jurisdiction of Elizabeth I.



Post-mortem - Tamara (i), 2016, photomontage
Credit: Image copyright of Linder and courtesy Stuart Shave & Modern Art, London

Linder's Flag and Film: Launch Event

Thursday 19th April, 6.30am to 8.30am

Meet us at Glasgow Green at dawn to experience the ethereal glow as the sun rises over the flow of the Clyde. Your senses will be awash with sights, sounds, tastes and scents as we launch Linder's Flag and Film.

The meeting point at the Green will be revealed nearer the time, and you're invited to walk with us back to GWL after the launch where breakfast will be served.

Linder's Flag and Film: Artist's Talk

Sunday 22nd April, 1pm to 3pm



In discussion, Linder will speak about the germination of the new works created for Glasgow Women's Library and the serendipitous, fascinating synergy between two sites and collections, GWL and Chatsworth, both charged with the histories of female agency, feminine excess and glamour. This is a rare opportunity to hear from a creative feminist trailblazer and the inspiring recipient of the prestigious Paul Hamlyn Foundation Award.

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CRAFT, DESIGN AND MAKING

Explore our new collection of empowering souvenirs and the inspirations behind them

“From Glasgow Women’s Library”: The Gift of Empowering Souvenirs

A series of events, organised in partnership with Craft Scotland’s ‘Meet Your Maker’ programme, marking a yearlong collaboration with design curators **Panel** to develop products that speak to the history of women’s lives, inspired by GWL collections. These events mark the launch of a new limited edition collection of library souvenirs and explore the inspiration behind their making.

Make Your Own Hat with Donna Wilson Thursday 1st March, 11am to 1pm

A special knitting workshop with celebrated designer **Donna Wilson** to mark the launch of her limited edition GWL Book Cushion.

Thinking Through Making: Material Histories Thursday 1st March, 3pm to 4pm

Donna Wilson, best known for her knitted creatures, textiles, homewares and furniture is in conversation with **Franki Finch** a specialist in model making and model design work.

Architecture in Conversation: Voices of Experience Thursday 1st March, 5.30pm to 7.30pm

How might role models and built environment histories be re-thought through listening to experienced women architects who have been written out of mainstream history? Share in this conversation over tea and cake, and celebrate **Finch and Fouracre’s** new architecture inspired sketchbook for the Library.

Make Your Own Charm with Joy Bonfield-Colombara Saturday 3rd March, 11am to 1pm, £30 (materials included)

Embrace your creativity! Carve your own charm from wax with jeweller **Joy Bonfield-Colombara**.

Talking About Making: Objects, Museums and Feminist Memory Saturday 3rd March, 2pm to 3pm



Internationally renowned designer **Jasleen Kaur** is fascinated in how social histories become embedded in materials and objects. Jasleen joins **Ruth Ewan** in conversation. Ruth’s work explores histories of radical and utopian thought, bringing insight into how we might live today.

Films by Jasleen Kaur Saturday 3rd March, 3pm to 4pm



A selection of short films exploring layering of social histories, materials, objects and cooking and making in connection to her new souvenir recipe book for GWL.

Make Your Own Ornament with Sally Hackett Thursday 8th March, 11am to 1pm

Get messy! Working with ceramicist **Sally Hackett**, make your own rebellious ceramic ornament inspired by slogans, zines and other literature.

Talking About Making: Language, Slogans and Graphic Design Thursday 8th March, 3pm to 4pm

Graphic designer **Maeve Redmond** is joined by **Sally Hackett**, to discuss the importance of slogans and typography across design and visual art. Sally’s work encapsulates the chaos of our modern world through sculpture, painting and installation.

From Glasgow Women’s Library: Souvenir Launch Thursday 8th March, 5.30pm to 7.30pm

Concluding the “From Glasgow Women’s Library” programme is a series of artist performances inspired by **Maeve Redmond** and **Kaisa Lassinaro’s** new ‘book title’ T-shirt range.

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OUT AND ABOUT

Bringing GWL's special ingredients to a place near you

Firebrand Women

Sunday 4th to Saturday 17th March, Dundee Central Library, visit during opening hours

Women have always been active campaigners, from suffragettes fighting for the right to vote, to women lobbying for equal pay and opportunities. This exhibition features unique materials from GWL's museum and archive collection, including campaigning badges, posters and zines, and tells the stories of women who have challenged and forged the politics of their time.

In partnership with **Dundee Women's Festival**.

"THIS WONDERFUL ARCHIVE CAN ONLY GO FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH. THERE IS A MUCH NEEDED FOCUS FOR WOMEN, THEIR RIGHTS, THEIR SENSE OF SELF."

Archive workshop participant



March of Women Performance, 2015 Credit: Sarah Amy Fishlock

March

Wednesday 7th March, 1pm to 3pm, Dundee Central Library, Women only

First performed in 2015, **March of Women** celebrated the lives and achievements of Scottish women past and present. In this documentary film, hear from the women involved as they talk about the heroines they chose to represent. After the film you'll get the chance to join the discussion and create your own suffragette-style rosette with a message for women today.

Women Who Fought for the Future

Thursday 15th March, 10.30am to 12pm, Menzieshill Community Centre, Dundee, 16+, Women only

The battle for gender equality didn't end with the suffragettes. The history of the fight for equality is made up of many key people and moments, from the nineteenth century to the present day. How many of them do you know? Delve into our Women's Equality Timeline, take part in the discussion and discover more about the women who fought for our future.

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GET MORE INVOLVED

Ways to get active, make your mark, and help shape our future

Calling the women of the East End

Our volunteering project supports women to contribute to our work whether they have previous experience or not. A volunteer tells us: **"I feel very positive about myself after a day of volunteering."** We'd value having more volunteers from our neighbourhood and would love to hear from you if you want to join our welcoming team. We pay for travel expenses (up to £5) and always have lots of tea, coffee and biscuits on the go.

"THE BEST THING ABOUT VOLUNTEERING IS THE PEOPLE YOU MEET WHO INSPIRE YOU AND MAKE YOU WANT TO TAKE ON NEW CHALLENGES AND SHARE NEW ADVENTURES."

GWL Volunteer

Become a Paper Grrl!

If you've got a couple of hours to spare each month and you like getting out and about by bike, skateboard or on foot, we'd love your help with distributing this and future programmes to a growing number of friendly venues across Glasgow. Get in touch if you can help us spread the word.

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Collect:if members Rhea Lewis, Ashanti Harris and Mele Broomes at the Project X Symposium: Let's Move to More Visibility at Tramway, 2017, Credit: GWL

This is Who We Are

Thursday 17th May, 6pm to 7.30pm

Glasgow Women's Library is unique. Maybe you are new to our work or have heard about us and have burning questions. This welcoming, open session is for anyone who wants to discover what makes GWL tick, in discussion with the people who run it. Whether you are a curious neighbour, someone with a research interest, or a potential donor or volunteer we'd love to see you. Q and A format with lashings of tea.

Collect:if

Thursday 24th May, 5.30pm to 7pm, 16+, Women only

Collect:if is a network run by and for creative women of colour (WoC). Built on mutual support we highlight the cultural contributions of Black and Ethnic Minority women, and nurture emerging creative voices. Join us at our welcoming, informal gatherings to connect and learn more about how to use Collect:if and GWL resources to put your practice in the spotlight. We look forward to reconnecting, celebrating creative talent and welcoming new members. Refreshments provided.

"IT HAS BEEN A DELIGHT TO MEET OTHER EMERGING WOMEN OF COLOUR ARTISTS BASED IN GLASGOW – THE MEETINGS ARE GREAT FOR NETWORKING AND I FEEL MORE CONFIDENT WITH TAKING MY CREATIVE PRACTICE FORWARD."

Collect:if member

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

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MARCH

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Sat 24th	Women Making It	9
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Tues 27th	Creative Writing Support Group	14
Thurs 29th	Story Café	10
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Fri 30th	Reading Group for Muslim Women	13
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To make our next programme the very best it can be (and to make our staff and volunteers very happy), this Spring we're looking for:

- Vintage Spark books as part of Muriel Spark 100
- Jackie annuals
- Books written in different languages

We are always looking for fresh ideas, and exciting new partnerships. We'd love for you to let us know what you'd like to propose by visiting our website, clicking through Get Involved and Work with GWL where you'll find Guidelines and a Working with GWL form.

BE OUR FRIEND

Glasgow Women's Library is no ordinary library. It is a national treasure and the only place of its kind in Scotland. A place for borrowing, browsing and being inspired, it is welcoming, free and open to all.

At Glasgow Women's Library we have been supporting women from all walks of life across Scotland through our life-changing work since 1991. With many learning programmes, and projects focussing on Adult Literacy and Volunteer Development, we have helped women to stretch themselves, try new things and achieve far more than they ever imagined.

Knowing that you can change someone's life for the better is a powerful thing. Our Friends help us to do this. From as little as £2 per month you can help make our collections even more accessible, support our learning and events programme and make sure our work is sustainable for future generations.

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