

GLASGOW WOMEN'S LIBRARY

JUNE –
AUGUST 2018
PROGRAMME



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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.

How do I book an event?

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

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.

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.

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, and we have a **bike shelter**. You can hop on a Next Bike for £1 per 30 minutes and return it to the docking station round the corner.

If you are travelling by car, please be considerate to our neighbours and park opposite the library in the small carpark rather than on Landressy Street.

Open: Mon to Fri 9.30am to 5pm, Thurs 9.30am to 7.30pm, Sat 12pm to 4pm
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Find us on Facebook and follow [@womenslibrary](https://www.facebook.com/womenslibrary) on Twitter

A WARM WELCOME: SUMMER 2018



Linder, Bower of Bliss, Glasgow Women's Library, 2018. Credit: Suzanne Heffron

This programme marks a milestone in GWL's history. With it comes the official announcement news that **Glasgow Women's Library is a Finalist for the prestigious Museum of the Year Award**. The biggest museum prize in the world, Art Fund Museum of the Year 'seeks out and celebrates innovation and exceptional achievement in museums and galleries across the UK.' This is a massive public endorsement of our work that everyone who has supported the library as volunteers, donors, board members, staff and champions can feel proud of and celebrate. We're excited about what will come from being a Finalist and remain as committed as ever to keeping rooted in the core values of our unique organisation. This is the year to visit us or if you're a regular, then come and feel the joy!

Just to make the season even more exciting, we are launching an ambitious programme of work that will reach across Scotland to spotlight the remarkable but still largely hidden histories of women who were involved in the campaign for the vote. Part of the UK-wide **Vote100**

project, we are looking for lots of women to join us in making sure everyone can name a Scottish suffragette once we have brought them to light. Finally, we have a flagpole! As part of GI 2018 in April, the stellar feminist artist **Linder** created an inaugural flag for our façade. This year, look out for a special flag hoisted at GWL in honour of militant women from Scotland who changed the world.

If you are just discovering GWL, come along to our **This is Who We Are** session on Thursday 6th September or join us at our Warm Welcome drop-in sessions on the first Saturday of the month. The **Autumn Programme Launch** date is: Thursday 23rd August from 1pm to 2.30pm and 6pm to 7.30pm.

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.

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY

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

Women's Heritage Walks

Our sell out walks, researched and led by the **Women Make History** volunteers, highlight the hidden histories of trailblazing, hardworking and determined women who have inhabited Glasgow over the centuries: from housewives to hawkers, artists to activists, and entrepreneurs to entertainers.

Pick up one of our new **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!

"WONDERFUL WALK, IT WAS FASCINATING AND GENUINELY MOVING... AMAZING GROUP OF GUIDES, I LEARNED SO MUCH."
Heritage Walk participant

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.



The Glasgow Girls of Garnethill Heritage Walk. Credit: GWL

The Glasgow Girls of Garnethill

Saturday 16th June, 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.

Merchant City Women's Heritage Walk

Sunday 1st July, 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.

Necropolis Women's Heritage Walk

Sunday 8th July, 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 there. This is a hilly walk but the views across Glasgow and the insights on women's history are spectacular!

West End Women's Heritage Walk

Sunday 22nd July, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

A unique and inspiring insight into the hitherto unsung women who made the West End. Walk in the footsteps of protesting activists, rent strikers and the first female students of the University of Glasgow.

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY



Women of the Gorbals Heritage Walk

Sunday 5th August, 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.

East End Women's Heritage Walk

Saturday 18th August, 2pm to 4pm, £10/£6

This tour focuses on some of the achievements and struggles of the resourceful and industrious women of Bridgeton and Calton, and explores the radical nature of the area which gave birth to them.

"THIS WALK IS A GREAT WAY TO SEE THE CITY IN A NEW LIGHT. EVERYONE WAS SO FRIENDLY AND WELCOMING."

Heritage Walk participant



Histories of Reproductive Health and Rights Activism

Tuesday 17th July, 3pm to 4pm,
Thursdays 9th August and 30th August, 6pm to 7pm

A series of talks by international experts from Yale, Purdue and Strathclyde Universities examining the complex history of reproductive rights activism and the role of women in shaping reproductive healthcare in the past.

Tuesday 17th July:

Professor Naomi Rogers (Yale): Taking women's medicine back into our own capable hands: Feminist Activism and American Medicine, 1945 to the Present

Thursday 9th August:

Dr Laura Kelly (Strathclyde): "We shall not conceive": The feminist campaign for free, safe and legal contraception in Ireland, c.1971-81

Thursday 30th August:

Professor Wendy Kline (Purdue): The Politics of Place: Joseph DeLee, Home Birth, and the Rise of Modern Obstetrics

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

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY



Herland: The Redstockinged Women's Quiz, 2016. Credit: GWL

Herland: The Redstockinged Women's Quiz

Friday 31st August, 7pm to 10pm, £25 per team (maximum 5 per team), 18+

The Herland Women's Quiz is back!

Pit your wits against our GWL volunteer quiz mistresses who have scoured the books on our shelves to bring you an evening of fun facts and illuminating learning. Which team will prove the most knowledgeable about trailblazing women and their achievements?

Gather your friends, book your places, and let the Amazonian battle commence!

"FABULOUS NIGHT. HOST AND ALL INVOLVED WERE AMAZING."

Redstockinged Herland Quiz participant



Lesbian Avengers at the first Pride March in Scotland, Edinburgh, 1995. Credit: GWL

The Open Archive: Stop the Clause!

Thursday 20th September, 5pm to 7pm

Thirty years ago, Section 28 was introduced by the Tory Government. The act called on local authorities to prohibit the "promotion" of homosexuality across the public sector, including in schools and libraries. Our archive contains unique and important material documenting the introduction of the clause, as well as the enormous backlash and campaigns against it. Come along to the **Open Archive** to explore the histories of oppression as well as the solidarity which arose from the controversial law.

Voices of Experience

Saturday 8th September, 1pm to 3pm

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.

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WOMEN'S WORDS

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

Story Café

Thursdays 7th to 28th June, 9th to 16th August, 30th August, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free, Women only

Feel refreshed over lunchtime as we listen to stories and poems by some of the best women writers around the globe. This year we've already been moved by small acts of kindness, swept away by forbidden love affairs, and had our hearts warmed by happy endings. We love to see new faces around the table, so top up your cuppa from our bottomless teapot and become part of the story.

Story Café Specials:

Gauri Raje

Thursday 7th June, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free, Women only

Prepare to be spellbound by storyteller **Gauri Raje** who will enthrall us with traditional stories of women from India and Scotland. Weaving wonderful tales alongside Gauri will be writers from the Muslim Women's Creative Writing Group. A not-to-be-missed lunchtime treat!

Gauri's storytelling will be mainly in English, with some phrases in Gujarati and Urdu.



Shamshad Ghani

Thursday 21st June, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, Women only

Well known for her humour, **Shamshad Ghani** will read from her new collection of poems, **Shad Shamshad ji ki parodiyaan** (Parodies with Shamshad). Shamshad is an Urdu Poet of Pakistani origin based in Scotland. Earlier this year, we were exhilarated by her unforgettable never-before-heard translation and performance of Auld Lang Syne in Punjabi at our Alternative Burns Supper and we know this Story Café will be an absolute treat!

Anne Pia

Thursday 30th August, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, £2/Free

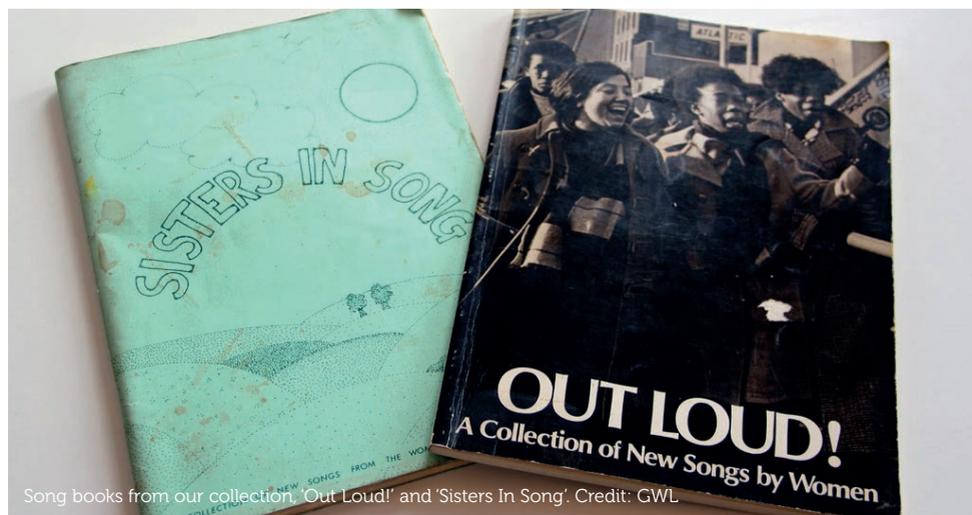
It's a huge pleasure to welcome back **Anne Pia** to Story Café, to talk about her new poetry collection, **Transitory**. Born into the Italian-Scots community of post-war Edinburgh, Anne was raised surrounded by the food, traditions and dialect of southern Italy. Her intimate poetry touches on issues of identity, belonging and otherness with honesty and tenderness.

"OUR GROUP SAT SPELLBOUND – YOU COULD HEAR A PIN DROP!"

Story Café participant

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Song books from our collection, 'Out Loud!' and 'Sisters In Song'. Credit: GWL

Belonging with Open Book

Tuesday 5th June, 10.30am to 12.30pm,
£2/Free, Women only

These vibrant and thoughtful 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. After a summer break, look out for our next Belonging workshops in the autumn programme.

Utter: Raise Your Voice

Thursdays 7th, 21st June and 30th
August, 6pm to 7.30pm, Women only

This 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 confidence and experience the joy of making music together. Come as often as you like. No auditions, no need to read music, and no singing experience necessary.

"SINGING TOGETHER, PHYSICAL MOVEMENT, RELAXATION TECHNIQUES AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO USE OUR VOICES AND BE HEARD."

Utter participant



Lucy
Aphramor.
Credit:
© Linda
Marshall

Raise the Roof: The Naked Dietician

Tuesday 12th June, 6pm to 7.30pm, 16+



Lucy Aphramor's stunning one-woman spoken word show is for anyone who is passionate about moving the health conversation away from fat shame and eating guilt to equality, safety, job security and body respect for all.

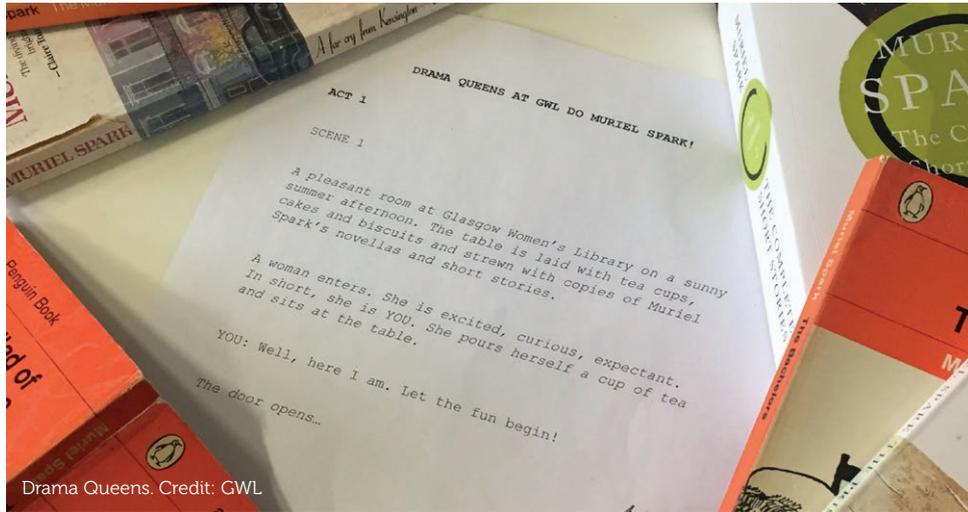
"ONCE OR TWICE IN A LIFETIME, A PERFORMANCE COMES ALONG THAT... RESONATES SO LOUDLY WITH YOUR OWN EXPERIENCE, THAT THE PERFORMER SEEMS TO HAVE SEEN INTO YOUR SOUL..."

Edinburgh Reporter Review



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Drama Queens. Credit: GWL

Drama Queens: Play Reading For Pleasure

Thursdays 21st June, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 12th July, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 2nd August, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 20th September, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, £2/Free, Women only

GWL's Drama Queens give you thrills from the comfort of your chair. Come to one or come to all; come to read or come to listen... no lines to learn, no props or preparation required. Simply give voice to the suffragettes and society dames, kitchen maids and killers, blue stockings and Brontë's in our brilliant collection of plays.

Drama Queens: In Our Own Words

Thursdays 21st June, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 12th July, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, 2nd August, 2.30pm to 4.30pm, 20th September, 5.30pm to 7.15pm, £2/Free, Women only

GWL's Drama Queens spent spring reading the adaptation of Muriel Spark's **The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie**. We loved it so much that we want more Muriel! We don't have any other adaptations of her works, so there's nothing for it but to write our own. Experiment along with us as we adapt one of **Muriel Spark's** short stories or novellas together. As with all our Drama Queens sessions, no experience necessary.



Reading Group Participant. Credit: GWL

Reading Group for Muslim Women

Friday 22nd June, 10am to 12pm, Scotland Street Museum, Friday 3rd August, 10am to 12pm, GWL, 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 in the habit of reading, whatever your motivation this group is for you! On Friday 22nd June, we'll be watching and discussing a surprise film screening, and on Friday 3rd August, join us for lively conversations about **The Broken Half** by **Sahar Abdul Aziz**. Share your perspectives, learn something new, make friends and enjoy refreshments in a relaxed environment.

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



Scottish Refugee Festival Event. Credit: GWL

Stories of Food and Culture from the Scottish Refugee Communities

Saturday 16th June, from 2pm to 4pm, Hidden Gardens, Tramway

Mark Scottish Refugee Festival with us at the Hidden Gardens where we'll be tucking into fusion foods and listening to stories of food, hospitality and culture from the home countries of local refugee women. Pull up a chair as we gather around a beautiful tablecloth art piece, created by women's groups alongside textile artist **Paria Goodrazi**.

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Creative Writing for Muslim Women. Credit: GWL

Creative Writing Support Group

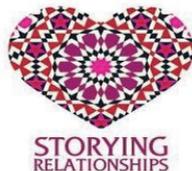
Tuesdays 26th June, 31st July, 28th August, 2pm to 4pm, £2/Free, Women only

This is a 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 self-facilitated group.

Creative Writing Workshops for Muslim Women

Saturdays 7th July, 14th July, 21st July, 28th July, 1.30pm to 3.30pm, age 16 to 30, Women only

This summer, learn from avid bloggers **Talat Yaqoob** and **Faiza Yousaf** at our blog-writing workshops with Storying Relationships. Talat is a feminist campaigner, blogger, co-founder of the Women 50:50 campaign and currently the director for Equate Scotland. Faiza has been blogging for over six years, and has recently shed her anonymity to write publicly on her new blog 'Life of Fai', in which she humorously opens up conversations. For experienced and beginner bloggers alike.



It is impossible to persuade a man who does not disagree, but smiles.



MURIEL SPARK

POET, WRITER AND
AUTHOR OF "THE PRIME OF MISS JEAN BRODIE"

During Muriel Spark's centenary year, City of Glasgow Design students created new works inspired by GWL's collection. This graphic work is by Daisy Williams. Credit: Daisy Williams

Narrative Experiments

Saturday 25th August, 2pm to 4pm

Spend this Saturday afternoon exploring the influences and legacies of the experimental women writers **Christine Brooke-Rose**, **Anna Kavan**, **Ann Quin**, and **Muriel Spark**. This event marks the on-line publication of a new piece of work by writer and researcher **Hannah Van Hove** that is rooted in her experiences of navigating the archives of these trail-blazing writers.

Part of a project funded by Creative Scotland and supported by the National Library of Scotland and MAP Magazine.

"TO BE AN 'EXPERIMENTAL WOMAN WRITER'. THREE WORDS. THREE DIFFICULTIES."

Christine Brooke-Rose, 'Illiterations'

ARTISTS AND EXHIBITIONS

Ground breaking work on show and pioneering creatives to discover

Seeing Things

16+, Women only

If you're looking to discover more about women's art and creativity and meet new people too, then **Seeing Things** is for you.

Our friendly volunteers lead fortnightly short trips to see exhibitions, performances, films and talks at GWL and in other places, always ending with a cup of tea and a chat. The trips are always free, and we can cover your travel expenses (up to £5).

Look out for the **Seeing Things** stamp in this programme, keep an eye on the website or get in touch to find out about upcoming trips.

Seeing things is always more fun with others!



"THE GROUP VISITS LET ME EXPLORE MY INNER FEELINGS ABOUT ART WHETHER I UNDERSTAND IT OR IT GOES OVER MY HEAD."

Seeing Things group member



Robinson' by Clementine Thomas.
Credit: Clementine Thomas

Making Sparks: Illustration Exhibition with Glasgow School of Art

Thursday 24th May to Thursday 5th July, visit during GWL opening hours

GWL has been collecting **Muriel Spark's** work since our inception in 1991. This year, for Spark's centenary, we have collaborated with GSA Illustration students who have mined the collection to create new works inspired by her dark, humorous and lushly evocative works.

In this exhibition, see how Muriel Spark books have been reimagined to create new prints and wraparound screen-printed book jackets.



Eddi Reader by Yara Enslein Timmermann.
Credit: Yara Enslein Timmermann

ZigZag's Inspirational Women Saturday 16th June to Saturday 28th July, visit during GWL opening hours

Which women do 5 to 14 year old artists look up to? Find out at this moving exhibition. Whether family heroine, community champion or famous celebrity, the ZigZag Arts Club's imaginative creations of their female role models are both powerful and charming.

ZigZag's Inspirational Women: Exhibition Launch Saturday 16th June, 1pm to 3pm

Meet some of the artists at the launch event and hear about their creative process as they reveal which women inspire them.

VOTE 100

One hundred years of women campaigning for change

This exciting new programme launching in spring 2018 and lasting until International Women's Day, March 2019, will involve an array of events, web resources and open workshops marking 100 years since some of the first women in Britain were granted the right to vote. We want to make sure the names of Scottish heroines of the movement roll off the tongue and that their critical role in changing history forever is put centre stage.

Suffragette Heritage Trails for Glasgow

Weekly from Thursday 19th July, 6pm to 7.30pm, Women only

We need women to work together to create a trail that will put Scottish suffragette heroines firmly on the map. Have you heard about suffragette heroines at other GWL events or do you feel inspired to learn about the women who gained us the vote? Become a GWL Women's History Detective by researching with us in the inspiring, friendly environment of the Library to help create a lasting legacy celebrating women who changed our world.

The Open Archive: 100 Years of Women's Suffrage

Saturday 28th July, 1pm to 3pm

Scottish suffragettes fought for a voice at the ballot box; how have our lives been shaped by the struggles of these early campaigners? This **Open Archive** shines a light on the lives of these women through the fierce propaganda and everyday items in our museum. Pocket watches to postcards, Jus Suffragii to jewellery, this is your chance to hold history in your hand and learn from our archivist and museum curator.

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Credit: GWL

Story Café: Girl by Girl, Vote by Vote

Thursday 9th August, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, 10+

It's 100 years since some women first got the vote in the UK. Bring your daughters, granddaughters and nieces to celebrate! **Sheena Wilkinson** will reveal the secrets behind her suffragette novel, **Star by Star**. Then write your own suffragette stories and poems, eat suffragette cake and dip into your suffragette goodie bag.

This event is aimed at girls and young women 10+, and all children must be accompanied by an adult. Everyone is welcome!

The Moving Story: How Suffragettes Changed the World

The Pankhursts are suffragette celebrities and the fight for the vote in England has been widely cited during the **Vote100** celebrations, but what about the Scotswomen who were often in the forefront of campaigns but whose names are forgotten? Where, too, are the stories of women working to gain the vote in countries across the world? Come along to our **Autumn Programme Launch** on Thursday 23rd August to see how you can help create an animated web resource to bring some of the feisty figures from Scotland and from around the world to life.

"AS THE NIGHT SKY IS BRIGHTENED STAR BY STAR, CHANGE MUST COME PERSON BY PERSON, GIRL BY GIRL, VOTE BY VOTE."

Sheena Wilkinson



EQUALITY IN PROGRESS

Fair access, representation and inclusion in museums

If you visit museums – or perhaps more importantly, if you don't – or you work in the museum sector, then this is for you.

Our **Equality in Progress** project is working to affect change in the Scottish museum sector to improve access, inclusion and representation for both workforces and audiences. You can read more about our research and our vision for the future in our upcoming report.

As a feminist museum rooted in the values of social justice, GWL knows that this project and its innovative thinking is urgently needed. Action on these issues is critical to ensure museums are fully inclusive. Together, we can enact a seismic shift, supporting the sector to create museums that represent and engage with all our stories.

Funded by Scottish Government and European Social Fund and in partnership with CLiC, SCAN, ECA and Outreach Arts.

"MAKE MUSEUMS MORE WELCOMING – PEOPLE WHO WOULDN'T NORMALLY GO WOULD FEEL INVITED IN."

One of our experts in exclusion, at an Equality in Progress Changemaker session

"I DON'T WANT ANY STAFF OR VISITORS TO EVER FEEL EXCLUDED, OR THAT THEY ARE AN AFTERTHOUGHT."

A member of the museum sector workforce, responding to our survey in March 2018

Equality in Progress: Disrupting the Sector Monday 18th June, 10am to 4.30pm

The future of the museum sector depends on realising the ethical, creative and business case for sustainable equality and diversity. After a six-month analysis of Scotland's museums, the **Equality in Progress** team shares our research to date. We invite cultural, museum and heritage workers, cultural equalities activists, academics, students and cultural policy makers to join us in developing our equalities-led blueprint for change in the sector.

Content for the day will cover:

- **How are Scottish museums currently approaching (in)equality?**
- **Experts in exclusion: revealing the barriers and solutions to audience inclusion from GWL's museum Changemakers**
- **Analysing systems of intersectional inequality in museums**
- **Feminist Museums: a framework for good practice**
- **Future Recommendations**

This event is free and ticketed. Lunch will be provided; please specify your dietary requirements when booking.

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OUT AND ABOUT

Bringing GWL's special ingredients to a place near you

In Conversation with Nalini Paul

Thursday 7th June, 12pm to 2pm, Scottish Poetry Library, Edinburgh, 16+

Acclaimed poet **Nalini Paul's** new dramatic work **Beyond the Mud Walls** explores the life of political prisoner **Freda Bedi** and the fight for Indian independence. This is an unmissable chance to hear Nalini read from her new work and poetry, discuss her writing and consider the themes of identity, nationhood and conflict.

We're pleased to offer this session in association with the Harpies, Fechters and Quines Festival 2018: Women, War and the Book.

"WHAT WAS GREAT WAS THE LISTENING, SHARING INSIGHTS, LAUGHING, CHATTING AND CONNECTING WITH OTHER PEOPLE..."

Edinburgh Story Café Participant



Women Poets of World War One

Thursday 14th June, 12pm to 2pm, Edinburgh Central Library, 16+, Women only

Powerful, poignant words. Forgotten poets. Hear about World War One through new voices at this Story Café Special. These are the stories of despair, anger, hope and endurance experienced by the women left at home.

We welcome all women to come together at lunchtime, to listen, read and discuss the words of these lesser-known writers.

Edinburgh Art Festival for Fearties

Tuesday 14th August, 10.30am to 3.30pm, Meet at Edinburgh City Art Centre or travel from GWL, 16+, Women only

Don't know your **Krugers** from your **Himids**? Or your prints from your collage? If you'd like to know more about contemporary art, we'll be your guide!

Dip a toe into Edinburgh Art Festival with this beginner-friendly tour of some of the fabulous women artists featured this year, including **Lucy Skaer** and **Tacita Dean**. We'll help with travel from central Glasgow, just bring along a packed lunch.

In partnership with Edinburgh Art Festival.

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