FEBRUARY–JUNE 2024 PROGRAMME





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A WARM WELCOME

As we start a new year, and witness Spring unfurl its joys, we celebrate valour and determination.

Our new exhibition **We Deserve a Medal** honours Suffrage activists who engaged in many forms of law-breaking activities in their campaign to secure equal voting rights for women — from mass window smashing and arson to damaging works of art in the most revered institutions. Thousands were arrested, imprisoned and force-fed as a result. At the time, these 'militant' actions were considered shocking and divided public opinion, but suffragettes remained resolute. Among them was **Maud Joachim**, and this exhibition celebrates Glasgow Women's Library's recent acquisition of her hunger strike medal, which takes centre stage. In an astounding demonstration of support for our work, over 500 individuals responded to our public fundraising campaign to purchase Maud's medal at auction in October 2023. There is also a rare opportunity to see two other special medals, along with some gems of militant suffrage memorabilia from our collection.

To further inspire us in this activist spirit, **Jackie Kay** will be reading poems from her new collection, *May Day*, delving into decades of activism and trailblazing. We will also be looking at disability activism on screen in two film events that, with support from Cinenova feminist film organisation and Femidiscas, a Mexican disability collective, will consider and reframe portraits of chronic illness and disability, combining historical and contemporary perspectives. Through these events and our Open Archive there will be plenty to learn about how experience of health inequality can lead to insightful and inspiring movements for change.

As the days become longer, we invite you to spend some time outdoors with us, while learning about more pioneering, brave and remarkable women in Glasgow's history. Our **Women's Heritage Walks**, led by our knowledgeable volunteers, will change how you view the city. This season, we are proud to launch and add our new **Dennistoun Women's Heritage Trail** to the selection.

As ever, there are plenty of events and activities that will introduce you to new writers, artists, ideas and adventures. Whether you are already a well-kent face here, or taking your first steps into Glasgow Women's Library, we look forward to welcoming you. "THE HORIZON LEANS FORWARD, OFFERING YOU SPACE TO PLACE NEW STEPS OF CHANGE. HERE, ON THE PULSE OF THIS FINE DAY YOU MAY HAVE THE COURAGE TO LOOK UP AND OUT AND UPON ME, THE ROCK, THE RIVER, THE TREE, YOUR COUNTRY."

On The Pulse Of Morning by Maya Angelou

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Thanks to a generous donation from Smart Air UK, we now have a large HEPA air purification system which removes 99.97% of pollutants (bacteria, dust, viruses, allergens and more) from the air. Huge thank you to Smart Air UK for this incredibly kind donation, helping to make our air cleaner and our space safer for everyone.

A variety of exciting displays at GWL and further afield

The Work We Share: A Prayer Before Birth / Loss of Heat

Thursday 22nd February, 6pm to 8pm, GWL, Free

A unique double screening of two newly digitised films from feminist film organisation Cinenova. **Jacqui Duckworth**'s *A Prayer Before Birth* (1991, 20 minutes) and **Noski Deville**'s *Loss of Heat* (1994, 20 minutes) tell stories of experiences of chronic illness. Both films challenge preconceived representations of disability through queer and feminist moving image practice. The event will feature a newly commissioned response to Duckworth's film by poet **Nat Raha**. There will be time for questions and discussion after the films.

Both films have SDH (Subtitles for the Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing) and captions by Collective Text.

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

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Moving the Image/Moviendo la Imagen: Representing, Reframing, Reclaiming

Thursday 7th March, 5:30pm to 7pm, GWL and Online, Free

In a collaborative film screening and discussion event between disabled women from Scotland and Mexico, artists **Emily Beaney** and **Ana García Jácome** draw upon archives in Mexico and the UK to explore how audio-visual practices can interrogate issues of representation across international contexts. The artists will talk about their collaboration, including where they worked with disabled artists in their communities, and how the process of radically reworking archive footage became a way to position disabled women as active agents for change.

This will be a relaxed event with BSL interpretation. The film will have captions, audio description and sensory synopsis.

Grit and Diamonds Exhibition at Dundee Women's Festival

Monday 4th March to Saturday 16th March, Dundee Central Library, Free, 12+

This exhibition celebrates women blowing their own trumpets in the fight for equality from 1980 to 1990. Glasgow Women's Library came into being partly in response to the overarching masculine narratives in Glasgow's approach to being a European City of Culture in 1990. The exhibition includes posters and photographs from GWL's archive and features the book co-edited by **Shirley Henderson** and **Alison Mackay**, *Grit and Diamonds: Women in Scotland Making History*, 1980–1990.

Dundee Central Library is fully accessible. For more information, see https://www.leisureandculturedundee.com/library/central-library-wellgate



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GRITand DIAMONDS

WOMEN IN SCOTLAND MAKING HISTORY

1980-1990

Edited by Shirley Henderson and Alison Mackay



Teenage Kicks

Friday 8th March to Saturday 18th May, GWL, Free

Meg can't wait to leave home. Cynthia misses her family back in the Caribbean. Pamela is pregnant and her mum wants the baby adopted. Andrea fancies girls.

Life in 1960s Britain was changing fast but it wasn't all miniskirts and pop music. This beautiful installation, with illustrations by **Candice Purwin** in digital and other forms, is based on research interviews with eight women who were teenagers in the swinging (or not so swinging) sixties.

For all teenagers, past, present or future.



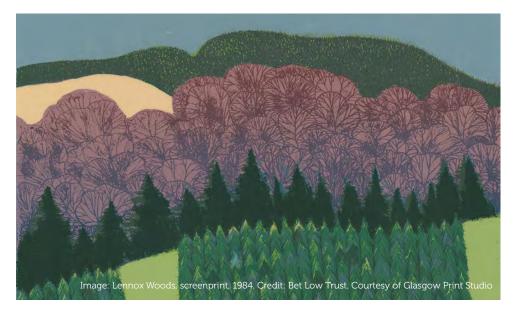
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Teenage Kicks: Workshop

Thursday 18th April, 4:30pm to 6:30pm, GWL, Free

Glasgow Women's Library will host a workshop in partnership with the University of Manchester on April 18th, inviting people to share their stories of life in the '60s in response to the exhibited stories.

For more details see our website or ask in GWL.



City Streets, Scottish Islands and Silhouetted Hills: Bet Low (1924–2007), Art and Life

Thursday 25th April, 5pm to 6:30pm, Free, 12+

2024 is the 100th anniversary of **Bet Low**'s birth. **Hildegarde Berwick** will be giving a talk about the Gourock-born artist's life and work, with time for audience questions.

Bet Low's long career started with creating theatre sets for Glasgow Unity Theatre. In 1963, she co-founded the New Charing Cross Gallery on Sauchiehall Street, creating opportunities to promote her work and that of other young artists. Best known today for her tranquil landscape scenes of Scottish islands, she won many awards, including the distinction of Doctor of Letters from University of Glasgow in 1999.



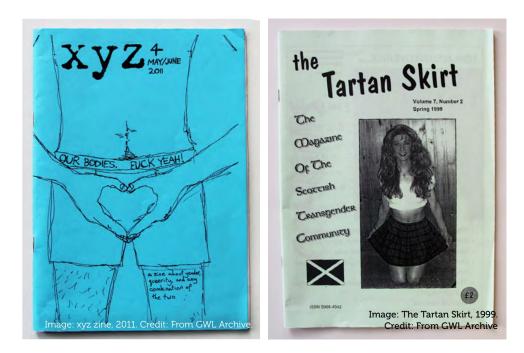
We Deserve a Medal: Militant Suffrage Activism

Thursday 1st February to Friday 31st May, GWL, Free

Celebrate Glasgow Women's Library's recent acquisition of **Maud Joachim**'s hunger strike medal, with a rare opportunity to see two other special medals in this exhibition of militant suffrage memorabilia.

A suffragette and member of the Women's Social and Political Union, Maud was arrested in Dundee on the 20th October 1909, with **Adela Pankhurst**, **Helen Archdale**, **Catherine Corbett** and **Laura Evans**, for interrupting a meeting led by Winston Churchill the day before. Maud went to prison where she was released after a four day hunger strike.

Content note: this exhibition contains references to force-feeding.



Trans Zines: Launching Our New Display

Thursday 1st February to Friday 31st March, GWL, Free

Our archive is full of incredible zines donated to us over the years by their makers and fanz. Health and heartaches, music and menstruation, our zines are full of knowledge and made with love.

They are coming out of the archive this Spring with our new Zine Display. This launch will celebrate our Trans Zines, showcasing the ways the trans community have used zines to show solidarity, share information and express their creativity and joy.

GET INVOLVED

Conversation Café

Wednesdays every fortnight: 14th February, 28th February, 13th March, 27th March, 10th April, 24th April, 8th May, 22nd May, 12:30pm to 1:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only, Drop in

If you are new to speaking English or fancy a cuppa and chat, this event is perfect for you! As part of the adult literacy and numeracy programme at GWL, we are focused on building a welcoming and supportive community for all women. Join us for a conversation, tea, and games while we practise English and Scottish words and phrases and learn about each other's lives and cultures.

This event takes place at GWL but if you would like to join online from elsewhere please let us know by emailing **info@womenslibrary.org.uk**

All women-only events are inclusive of Trans and Intersex women, as well as non-binary and gender fluid people who are comfortable in a space that centres the experiences of women.

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This Is Who We Are: Working With GWL

Thursday 16th May, 5:30pm to 7pm, GWL, Free, 16+

This will be an informal and open session, where **Mattie** and **Farzane**, GWL Production Coordinators, will share information about our programme and how your event, exhibition or project can become part of it. We'll go through our application process, share some of the ways we work and leave lots of time for your individual questions. We're really excited to hear from creatives and organisations we haven't worked with before and to forge new collaborations.

Women Making It

Fridays every fortnight: 2nd February, 16th February, 1st March, 15th March, 29th March, 12th April, 26th April, 10th May, 24th May, 10:30am to 12:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only, Drop in

Join us this Spring for a range of GWL's bitesize feminist crafting including block printing, collage art, candle print & design and much more.

The drop-in sessions are open to all women. We are especially keen for local women to use the GWL space for socialising, meeting like-minded women and taking part in fun & creative learning.

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WOMEN'S WORDS

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

Readers of Colour

Free, Women Only

Glasgow: Saturday 30th March, 3:30pm to 5pm and Saturday 25th May, 3:30pm to 5pm

Edinburgh: Wednesday 27th March, 6:45pm to 8pm and Wednesday 29th May, 6:45pm to 8pm

Online: Thursday 28th March, 6pm to 7:15pm and Thursday 30th May, 6pm to 7:15pm

Readers of Colour is a thriving community of Women* and Non-binary people who come together to read writing by Women and Non-binary Writers of Colour!

For our Spring sessions, we'll be reading: *RADICAL* by **Xiaolu Guo** for our March meetings, and *Western Lane* by **Chetna Maroo** for our May meetings.

Perfect for book club beginners, we read short extracts from the books together, before sharing our thoughts. Tea and treats at our in-person meetups too!

If you'd like to find out more or come along, email **lil.green@womenslibrary.org.uk**

Reading Group For Muslim Women

Monday 26th February, Monday 29th April, Monday 27th May, 10:30am to 12:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only

The Reading group for Muslim Women brings together women interested in books written by Muslim women or with a focus on women's issues. If you are 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, then this group is for you!

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



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Open Book

Story Café

Tuesday 6th February, Tuesday 5th March, Tuesday 7th May, Tuesday 4th June, 10:30am to 12:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only

These vibrant and thoughtful monthly Open Book creative writing sessions are led by **Kathrine Sowerby**, a poet and writer based in Glasgow.

Each session focuses on a different theme – such as Home, Grow and Transform, or Garden – and use poetry and short stories as prompts for your own creative writing.

Perfect for seasoned writers and beginners alike, get your creative juices flowing and join our warm and supportive writing community.

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> Immerse yourself in tales and poems from around the world, as we rediscover the joys of being read to. From riotous road trips to luminous landscapes, Story Café will spark your curiosity and freshen your perspective.

Whether you're a lifelong reader or completely new to reading, we'd love to welcome you around the table. Pull up a chair and become part of the story!



Story Café Special: Susan C. Wilson

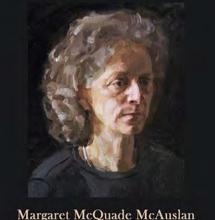
Thursday 29th February, 1pm to 2:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only

We're delighted to welcome writer **Susan C. Wilson** to talk about her debut novel, *The House of Atreus: Clytemnestra's Bind.*

A fiery, feminist retelling of the story of Queen Clytemnestra, a woman who challenged the absolute power of men, this is a tale of power, family rivalry and a mother's burning love.

Susan will be sharing her experiences as a working-class writer of historical fiction, her journey to getting published, and her passion for bringing ancient Greek mythology to life for modern audiences.

A Gallus Weegie



Margaret McQuade McAuslan Image: Memoirs of a Gallus Weegie. Credit: Margaret McQuade McAuslan

Story Café Special: Margaret McQuade McAuslan

Thursday 28th March, 1pm to 2:30pm, GWL, Free, Women Only

From The Calton to New York, Beirut, Morocco and Bulgaria, *Memoirs of a Gallus Weegie* is **Margaret McQuade McAuslan**'s expansive life in prose, poetry, photographs and anecdotes. Recounting her experiences as a working-class woman and atheist growing up in Glasgow in the 1950s and 60s, her book is ambitious, honest and deeply moving. Margaret will be reading from her book and welcoming questions and discussion.

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WOMEN'S WORDS



Story Café Special: Urdu Poetry

Thursday 14th March, 1pm to 2:30pm, Free, Women Only

Pull up a chair and join us as we celebrate the wonderful world of Urdu poetry. With joyous and uplifting poems from local and international women writers, it's the perfect way to relax over lunchtime.

Readings will be in Urdu and English.

Frances Burney: Life Writing as Material Autobiography

Thursday 21st March, 5pm to 6:30pm, GWL, Free

Francesca Saggini will introduce us to the life and work of the pioneering author **Frances Burney** (1752–1840), followed by a creative writing workshop inspired by Burney's work. Frances Burney was an English satirical novelist, diarist and playwright. Her work was mercilessly criticised at the time by male reviewers who described it as an *"unsightly display of [female] egotism."* We will read some of her dramatic works and letters, focusing on the representation of emotion in private and public writing.





Jackie Kay: May Day Launch

Tuesday 23rd April, 6pm to 7pm, GWL, Free

We're excited to celebrate the launch of *May Day*, the long-awaited new collection from the former Makar of Scotland, **Jackie Kay**. Jackie will be reading and discussing her poems that cast an eye over several decades of political activism. This spans from the international solidarity of the Glasgow of her childhood, accompanying her parents' Socialist campaigns, through the feminist, LGBT+ and anti-racist movements of the 80s and 90s, up to the recent global pandemic intersecting with the urgency of Black Lives Matter.

World Book Night Giveaway Party

Friday 26th April, 2:30pm to 3:30pm, GWL, Free

We love a party... a party with free books? Even better!

Sit back and relax as we get lost in the wonderful world of stories. Our Book Champions will be sharing what reading means to them and spotlighting some of their favourite stories and poems. With our fiendishly fun book quiz, and lashings of tea and cake, it's the perfect way to kick off your weekend!

WOMEN MAKE HISTORY

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

Dennistoun Women's Heritage Project: Map Launch

Friday 22nd March, 1pm to 2pm, GWL, Free, 12+

Join us for the launch of a women's history trail map and booklet which celebrates women in Dennistoun, past and present. From Victorian seamstresses and World War II Land Girls to women activists and entrepreneurs, this year-long community based project has uncovered some fascinating stories. Come along to find out more and pick up your free copy of the trail map and booklet.

Project supported by the Glasgow East Area Partnership Fund.



To book on to any of our Women's Heritage Walks or Bike Rides 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 confirmed.



WOMEN MAKE HISTORY



Women's Heritage Bike Ride - New Route!

Saturday 20th April, 2pm to 4pm, GWL, Free, 16+, Women Only

Starting from GWL, this guided bike ride on cycle paths through Glasgow Green and the Gorbals will introduce some of the remarkable women uncovered by our Women's History Detectives. You'll hear about activists, hawkers, weavers, and educators from different backgrounds who have inhabited and enriched these areas.

This event is aimed at women who are confident cycling on cycle paths. We go at a gentle pace and our guides ensure everyone stays together and feels safe.

"REALLY ENJOYABLE! WILL DEFINITELY JOIN ANOTHER TOUR!" Participant, April 2023



Necropolis Women's Heritage Walk

Saturday 6th April, 2pm to 4pm, GWL, £6/£10, 16+

This hilly walk, based in one of Glasgow's most fascinating Victorian garden cemeteries, looks at the stories of both the notorious and the forgotten women who are buried in these atmospheric and ethereal surroundings, with fantastic views over the city.

Large print versions of the guides' script are available on the day.

Garnethill Women's Heritage Walk

Saturday 27th April, 2pm to 4pm, GWL, £6/£10, 16+

From the bustle of Sauchiehall Street to quiet and leafy back streets, this bohemian enclave is full of surprises and has been home to many remarkable women who have made Garnethill one of the most exciting cultural and multicultural hotspots in Glasgow.

Large print versions of the guides' script are available on the day.

"I FEEL PRIVILEGED TO HEAR THESE STORIES BUT ANGRY THAT THEY ARE STILL WIDELY UNKNOWN" Participant, June 2023



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Open Archive: Exploring Health

Saturday 13th April, 1pm to 3pm, GWL, Free

Health and wellbeing, whether physical, mental, emotional or social, affects us all. In this Open Archive, our archivist and curator will introduce material focusing on health as a broad theme, covering topics such as puberty, periods and reproductive rights, women's health movements, and aspects of alternative health, wellness and healing. Dip into our digitised *Dear Jackie* letters and investigate how women's bodies are politicised as you explore health within women's history and throughout GWL's collections.

May East: What If Women Designed the City?

Saturday 23rd March, 2pm to 4pm, GWL, Free

How can cities be greener, wilder, more inclusive, liveable and poetic? Join author May East and award-winning architect Jude Barber for readings and conversation to celebrate the launch of May's book *What if Women Designed the City?* The book draws from in-depth walking interviews with 274 women from Glasgow, Edinburgh and Perth, and offers 33 leverage points on how planners, practitioners, and communities could intervene in urban planning systems.

Supported by Triarchy Press.



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WE WELCOME YOU

People who visit GWL regularly describe us as warm, welcoming and friendly. Everyone who visits is greeted by one of our staff team when they first come into GWL – it's how we roll.

This is your space and you are welcome here. You don't need to have a reason to come to GWL to spend time and keep warm – just come in, make yourself comfortable and let staff know if you need any help (staff and volunteers can be identified by the name badges we all wear). We may not be able to meet all your needs but here's what we can offer:

We have hundreds of books to browse and to borrow, and you can join for free.

We have comfortable chairs so you can sit and enjoy the Library.

We have exhibitions on throughout the building – you can come and see these.

We have programmes of events - you can sign up and join in.

You are welcome to help yourself to free tea and coffee – we'll show you where this is.

We have information on more resourced 'warm banks' nearby, details of other supportive organisations in Glasgow, and a community noticeboard for information about what's on elsewhere.

We have free period products, and accessible, gender neutral bathrooms.

We are not able to provide food, for example we don't have a café – but you can bring your own and eat it here (we'll tell you which spaces are available for this as these might change each day, depending on what's on).

We don't have public computers, but you can bring your own portable devices to charge them and use our public Wi-Fi for free.

We look forward to seeing you!

This programme is distributed widely across Scotland. If you would like to support its production or are interested in sponsoring our learning programmes please contact Sue John at info@womenslibrary.org.uk

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GLASGOW WOMEN'S LIBRARY IS NO ORDINARY LIBRARY

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 welcoming and wonderful 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.

How do I book an event?

You can book through our website, in person at GWL, or call or email us. Since March 2020 we have moved online to host many of our events on Zoom and we continue to offer online events as well as in person gatherings at GWL. If you have never accessed a Zoom event, don't worry – we provide email guidance ahead of the event and support once you're in the room.

Do I need to pay?

Most GWL events are free and in instances where there are paid tickets we do our best to offer a free option. If we don't offer free tickets for an event, this is because the event raises funds for the Library or a partner organisation, or because the costs associated with this event mean that our prices are slightly higher than our usual events.

Please choose the ticket which you feel most able to pay. If our pricing is a barrier to you attending our events please do let us know.

Why is it important to book first?

It is helpful for us to know how many people to expect at events as this affects the spaces we use. If you book, we can also get in touch if there are any last minute changes. Please cancel a booked place if you can no longer attend, as we do often have waiting lists.

How has the library changed to be Covid safe?

When you visit, our team will be on hand to answer any questions and provide any help you need to feel reassured and welcome at GWL. There will be plenty of hand sanitiser around the building and we have enhanced cleaning measures in place. We ask that if you feel unwell with any Covid-19 symptoms that you do not visit the Library.

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 50p 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.

Open: **Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:** 10am to 4:30pm **Thursday:** 10am to 7pm **Saturday:** 12 noon to 4pm

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