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Writing Women Back Into History

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH **MARCH '10**



Monday

1 Opening Celebration Women's History Month

Come join us for a multimedia presentation featuring recordings from women of significance, and a slideshow demonstrating the importance of what women had to say, recognizing their contributions to society.

Sponsored by Women's Studies and the Women's Center

UC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM A, 3:30PM

Tuesday

9 Kristin's Story

featuring
Andrea Cooper

RAMSEY CENTER, 7:30PM

10

Wednesday

9th Annual Gender Conference

Centennial Celebration
of Josefina Niggli

UC GRANDROOM, 9AM - 4PM

Women Who Dare

featuring
Dr. Elizabeth Martinez

UC MULTIPURPOSE ROOM A, 6PM

11

Thursday

International Women's Day Coffee Hour

MULTICULTURAL CENTER, 4PM

12

Friday

Birdell Monologue

COULTER AUDITORIUM, 7PM



... I HAD A SHINING GOAL. I WAS GOING TO PRESENT MEXICO AND THE MEXICANS AS THEY HAD NEVER BEFORE BEEN PRESENTED. WELL, I DID. I MADE THE BIG TIME. I EVEN MADE M.G.M. AND BOOK OF THE MONTH. YOU SEE, I REACHED MY GOAL AND PASSED IT.

Josefina Niggli

16

Tuesday

Beyond the Breast

Stereotypes that females & males face every day

UC CATAMOUNT ROOM, 7PM

19

Friday

Feminist Plot

Volunteer workday
and talk

COMMUNITY GARDEN, SYLVA, 1-5PM

Nance Dude

Monologue

COULTER AUDITORIUM, 7PM

20

Saturday

Nurture: Youth Through Service

Women's History Month
Service Project

APPALACHIAN HOMESTEAD FARM, 9AM

Sonya Kovalevsky Mathematics Day

Workshop for High School
Aged Women

STILLWELL BUILDING, 9AM

22

Monday

Spring Literary Festival

Poet's Panel featuring
Susan Davis and Carole
Boston Weatherford

UC THEATRE, 4PM

23

Tuesday

Women in Student Affairs

Reception

MADISON PATIO, 2:30PM

24

Wednesday

Spring Literary Festival

featuring
Cleopatra Mathisd

UC THEATRE, 4PM

Spring Literary Festival

featuring
Chitra Divakaruni

UC THEATRE, 7:30PM



IF YOU CAN'T CHANGE YOUR FATE,
CHANGE YOUR ATTITUDE.

Amy Tan



SOMETIMES YOU CAN'T SEE YOURSELF CLEARLY UNTIL YOU SEE YOURSELF THROUGH THE EYES OF OTHERS.

Ellen DeGeneres

25

Thursday

Spring Literary Festival

featuring
Nahid Rachlin

UC THEATRE, 4PM

Spring Literary Festival

featuring
Patricia Smith

COULTER AUDITORIUM, 7PM



HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US
TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE
OUR HEROES AND SHE-ROES!

Maya Angelou

NORMAL IS NOT
SOMETHING TO ASPIRE TO,
IT'S SOMETHING
TO GET AWAY FROM.

Jodie Foster

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9 Kristin's Story
7:30pm, Ramsey Center
A moving presentation about depression, rape, and how to help those around you who may be going through it or have similar experiences. Open and free to the public. *Sponsored by Alpha Chi Omega*

**10 9th Annual Gender Conference:
Centennial Celebration of Josefina Niggli,
Mexican-American author and screenwriter**
9am–4pm, University Center
A full day of presentations centered around the theme of this year's celebration, Josefina Niggli, and gender issues. *Sponsored by Women's Studies and the Office of Undergraduate Studies.*

Women Who Dare! Speaker, Dr. Elizabeth Martinez
6pm, Multipurpose Room A, University Center
Dr. Martinez will speak about Josefina Niggli's contributions to writing women back into history. *Sponsored by the Women's Center.*

**11 International Women's Day Coffee Hour
Her Story: A Mexican-American Shares her Experiences**
4pm, Women's Center
Alphie Rodriguez will be speaking of her experiences being a Latina in the U.S. and the obstacles she has overcome with the support of her family, friends, and work. International Programs, along with student organizations, will be participating in the discussion. *Sponsored by the Women's Center.*

12 Birdell Monologue
7–8pm, Coulter Auditorium, \$\$
This one-act monologue captures the authentic voice of Appalachian women. "Birdell" is based on the lives of those families who lived on Hazel Creek until the coming of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, told from the perspective of the fictional character Birdell as she reflects on her long life. The play, written by Gary Carden stars Elizabeth Westall. *Sponsored by the History Department.*

16 Beyond the Breasts
7pm, Catamount Room, University Center
Interactive workshop to address stereotypes that females and males face every day. *Sponsored by Last Minute Productions and the Women's Center.*

19 A Feminist Plot
1–5pm, Sylva's Community Garden
Join us for a volunteer workday and talk in Sylva's Community Garden. We'll be preparing beds, planting seeds, weeding, and other assorted gardening tasks. At 4:30pm, Courtney Mills (WCU student) and Ted Coyle (WCU Anthropology professor) will give a talk on the Appalachian Women Gardeners oral history project. *Sponsored by the Wellness Council.*

Nance Dude, Monologue
7–8pm, Coulter Auditorium, \$\$
This one-act monologue captures the authentic voice of Appalachian women. "Nance Dude" is based on a true story of loss and perseverance tangled within a tragic murder and potentially false conviction. The play, written by Gary Carden, stars Elizabeth Westall. *Sponsored by the History Department.*

20 Nurture: Our Youth Through Service
9am, Appalachian Homestead Farm & Preserve
This unique service experience will engage youth from the local Girl Scouts and 4-H organizations, as well as WCU students in a mentoring atmosphere on the Homestead Farm. *Sponsored by Service Learning and the Women's Center.*

**Sonya Kovalevsky Mathematics Day:
Workshop for High School Aged Women**
9am, Stillwell Building
Since 1985, colleges and universities across the country have held Sonya Kovalevsky Mathematics Days. Sonya was a nineteenth-century Russian mathematician who had a passion for women's rights. The day is open to high school women and their teachers. Two workshop sessions led by Western faculty and assisted by undergraduate majors and graduate students will engage participants in hands-on learning. *Sponsored by the Math Department*

22–25 8th Annual Spring Literary Festival
WCU's eighth annual Spring Literary Festival will feature John Amen, Dennis Covington, Susan Davis, Chitra Divakaruni, Silas House, Cleopatra Mathis, Jill McCorkle, Nahid Rachlin, Patricia Smith, Carole Weatherford, and the Gilbert Chappell Distinguished Poet's panel, chaired by Catherine Carter. Please visit www.litfestival.org for more information regarding the Literary Festival and the presenters. *Sponsored by the English Department.*

\$\$ - Denotes admission charge.
Please contact sponsoring organization for additional information.

Women Studies— 227.3839	Wellness Council— 227.7069
Women's Center— 227.2627	Service Learning— 227.7184
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