

NEW MODULES COMING SOON...

ALN for Women

Awareness raising and skills development for women working with women ALN learners. Includes GWL's DVD "Literacy is for me!" and the use of GWL's "Breaking Barriers" publication.

Reading for Women's Health

Women and bibliotherapy resources will be online soon.

Women's History Archival Training

GWL's archivist will work with women and women's groups on how to conserve and preserve their own and their groups' histories.

Online Learning

A series of downloadable guidance and training materials on developing women's history walks and on how to access information on women's history. There will also be an online forum where women across Scotland can exchange ideas and learning experiences.

It is possible to adapt and combine several modules from the palette to tailor a session to specific group needs. We are also experienced in working in partnership with other organisations to develop new learning models. If you would like to discuss your group or organisation's learning needs or book a workshop session, please contact the National Lifelong Learning team at the address below.

Please contact us for detailed information on disabled access to our premises.



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**GLASGOW
WOMEN'S
LIBRARY**

Palette of Lifelong Learning Opportunities for Women & Women's Groups in Scotland

This is a sample of learning opportunities developed by the Glasgow Women's Library's National Lifelong Learning team, which can be used with women's groups across Scotland.

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MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR WOMEN'S LIBRARY

An introductory session on the Women's Library.

Format: Informal illustrated talk using a "guided tour" of GWL's website (internet access necessary) combined with various optional workshop activities.

Target learners: Women who work with individual women and women's groups.

Learning opportunities: Developing awareness of GWL— how to get information, support and resources; how to contribute your own news and ideas; what learning sessions are available to groups.

Ideal session time:
2hrs-half day



CONFERENCES / LEARNING EVENTS



GWL can work in partnership with other organisations across Scotland to host day events which combine speakers, workshops and other activities focusing on different aspects of women's lives, history or learning. Events can be national or for a specific local area. Recent events we have hosted or contributed to include "Women's Work in the Highlands: looking back with pride" organised in partnership with WEA women@work in Inverness and One Small Step, a national event hosted by GWL at the Mitchell library in Glasgow organised in partnership with Paths for All. For examples of day events GWL have hosted, please see our website.

Format: Speakers, DVDs, workshop sessions

Target learners: All women

Learning Opportunities: A chance to engage a range of women in new learning opportunities in their local area and a chance for organisations to focus on new ways of working with women and women's groups.

Ideal session time: One day event

RECORDING LIVING HEROINES



This activity focuses on recording and researching local 'living heroines'. Samples of DVD records can be shared with groups to inspire and illuminate the amazing experiences, testimonies of past lives and pioneering achievements of women still living.

Format: DVD and workshop or recording sessions

Target learners: All women

Duration: Samples of material from 30mins +

Learning opportunities: Developing awareness of diverse women's lives and the importance of gathering information from older women on their lives and experiences. Women are inspired to get involved in a range of research and documentation activities. DVD of individual women's histories

Ideal session time: Half day



WOMEN'S HISTORY SHOW & TELL

Facilitated by GWL Lifelong Learning staff, this workshop combines oral histories with personal objects that highlight women's lives, histories and achievements. Participants bring along photographs, artefacts or memorabilia relating to their own lives or the life of another woman and record the story behind the object.

Format: Informal workshop session using digital recording equipment. (audio, video or camera)

Target learners: Learners of all ages, women's groups, women's history groups, community groups, intergenerational groups, ethnic minority women's groups, literacy groups.

Learning Opportunities: Developing awareness of and celebrating lives of local women. Can be combined with Mapping Local Women.

Ideal session time: 2hrs-half day

WOMEN'S HISTORY WALKING TOURS

GWL has developed 4 popular walking tours based on Women's History in Glasgow; we also support the development of other women's walks in Scotland.

We are keen to encourage the development of further women's history walks and can offer the following related activities:

CREATE A WOMEN'S HISTORY WALK

Our Lifelong Learning team and Women Make History learners share the journey of developing a pioneering women's history walk in Glasgow. The talks inspire and encourage women to think about what they can do to highlight local women's achievements.

MAPPING WOMEN'S HISTORY

An informal session on how the Women Make History learners developed a new women's history map for Glasgow. It also looks at a range of materials produced by groups in Scotland that are starting to map the hidden histories of women.

Format: fully illustrated talks with discussion points and hard copies

Target learners: all women; in particular groups of women who discuss women's history in their local area, or are looking for a specific project to work on that highlights and addresses women's history.

Learning opportunities: Ideal to kick start a new project or inspire an existing women's project. Offers straightforward guidance and tips for generating a new tour. Provides an inspiring model for groups to use in their own context.

Ideal session time: Half day to full day



MODEL HOUSE —SMALL EXHIBITION

Created by GWL, artist Sadia Gul, and a group of South Asian women learners, the Model House is a composite, 3-D representation of the homes they had before migrating to Scotland.

Format: 3-D model house (1m square), A1 display board exhibiting records of the participants' experiences.

Target learners: All women

Learning Opportunities: Raising awareness of women's hidden histories. Discussion points include: home, memory, shared histories, the importance of becoming active in gathering women's memories.

Ideal session time: 1 day



BME WOMEN'S HISTORY PROJECT

This GWL project was devised by our BME Development Worker. It has generated transferable materials that are available for use by mixed and BME groups nationally, including the following workshops:

SHE SETTLES IN THE 'SHIELDS —LARGE EXHIBITION

This exhibition records and illustrates the histories of women migrants to Glasgow's Pollokshields area from the 1950's on. Includes photographs, documents, objects of significance, and portraits of the women participants.

Format: Large scale photographs and portraits, household objects.

Target learners: All women, can be tailored for mixed and BME specific groups.

Learning Opportunities: An excellent model for discussion: Where are the records of migrant women's histories? What could be the focus of a related project in other local areas? What can we learn about culture and gender from this exhibition? Why are women's life histories more likely to be lost?



TOURS FROM THE DOORS

GWL has developed a strand of Women Make History to engage women who are accessing Adult Literacy and Numeracy support. The Tours from the Doors walks encourage learners and women who are developing their confidence to get involved in healthy, short walks, small scale research, knowledge of women in their local area and their communication skills.

Format: illustrated talk about the History and development of the Tours From the Doors model, short DVD

Target learners: women's groups and or women who work with women in particular women developing their literacy skills.

Learning opportunities: inspiration on developing research, communication, team building and uncovering local women's history.

Ideal session time: 2hrs-half day



ONE SMALL STEP DVD

Aims to encourage women to get involved in researching women's history and becoming tour guides for women's history walks.



Format: DVD

Target learners: to help recruit more 'hard to reach' women to get involved in developing women's history and specifically to become tour guides.

Learning opportunities: Offers background to 'why do women's history?' and some basic introductory 'tips on tour guiding' with a focus on women building on their existing skills and strengths.

Ideal session time: Half day

"F-WORD" & "FISH ON A BICYCLE" DVDS

Award-winning films developed by Pilton Video and the F-Word girls group in partnership with GWL. Charting the learning journeys of a group of culturally diverse young women exploring feminism. A lively, provocative and interesting resource.

Format: DVD and informal workshop

Target learners: Young women and those who work with them

Viewing time: 50 minutes altogether

Learning opportunities: Developing awareness of equality issues, inspiring linked research projects. Some activities shown in the films can be run by GWL. The films can be screened alongside other materials in the GWL collection, including testimonies of women involved in Second Wave Feminism.

Ideal session time: 1 day

WOMEN'S HISTORY ROAD SHOWS

A series of large scale Road Shows with information stalls, object handling, reminiscence sessions and 'surgeries' on the value of photos and other records of women's lives. Can include an introduction to GWL's unique archive and Women's History Archival Training.

Format: DVDs, illustrated talks, informal workshops and hard copy materials.

Target learners: Women and women's groups with an interest in women's history.

Learning opportunities: Ideal for kick-starting a new women's history project or sharing information on accessing and preserving women's history.

Ideal session time: half day to full day



MAPPING LOCAL WOMEN

An informal session with GWL workers mapping the stories and histories of women in specific local areas. Participants build a map using their own stories, knowledge and memories.

Format: Workshop session using local area maps, and workshop materials supplied by GWL.

Target learners: women's groups, intergenerational groups, community groups, literacy groups.

Learning Opportunities: Ideal workshop for intergenerational groups, community events, women's groups new to women's history. Developing awareness of achievements of local women.

Ideal session time: 2hrs to half a day