

Saturday, March 6

The History of Women in Animal Welfare

11:00am - 12:30pm
Lowell National Historical Park
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
Chris Arnott, Community Outreach Coordinator, will walk us through our predecessors' steps in attaining humane treatment of animals using historical photographs from the past 135 years of the Lowell Humane Society. Following the presentation, work with Girl Scouts of Eastern Mass to make a fun gift for the animals of the Lowell Humane Society. Recommended age 8 and up
Contact: Sue Asselin at 978-689-8015 or sasselin@girlscoutseasternmass.org

Experience the life of a Mill Girl through Music

1:30 - 2:00pm
LNHP Visitor Center
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
Alex Demas will perform an array of music dedicated to women from long ago.
Contact: JoAnn Marcos at 978-270-5000 or joann_marcos@nps.gov

Common Threads: Two Women, Two Centuries

2:00 - 2:30pm
LNHP Visitor Center
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
Two young women - two centuries apart - two different worlds. A "Mill Girl" and a college student faceoff in an attempt to find common ground. Whose side are you on? Presenters: Lowell National Historical Park, Emily Levine and Kisha Wilson
Contact: JoAnn Marcos at 978-270-5000 or joann_marcos@nps.gov

Living History - Life in a 1850s

New England Whaling Port

2:30 - 3:30pm
LNHP Visitor Center
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
Join Living History Interpreters Judy Roderiques and Lucy Bly (from New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park) as they transform into two New Bedford women from the 1850's and discuss issues of the day and life in the bustling whaling port.
Contact: Tess Shatzer at 978-970-5000 or tess_shatzer@nps.gov

Mill Girl Walking Tour

3:30 - 4:30pm
LNHP Visitor Center
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
See what it was like to be a Lowell Mill Girl.
Contact: JoAnn Marcos at 978-270-5000 or joann_marcos@nps.gov

POST WOMEN'S WEEK EVENTS

Orgasm, Inc: The Strange Science of Female Pleasure

Thursday, March 11, 7:00 - 9:00pm
UMass Lowell
O'Leary Library Auditorium, Room 222
61 Wilder Street, Lowell, MA
Liz Canner will present her new film, "Orgasm Inc, The Strange Science of Female Pleasure", which goes inside the medical industry and the marketing campaigns that are literally and figuratively reshaping our everyday lives around health, illness, and desire.
Contact: Jeffrey Gerson at 978-934-4255 or Jeffrey_Gerson@uml.edu or visit orgasminc.org

12th Annual Gathering at the Well Forum: Gray Hair and Golden Opportunities: Older Women and Work that Matters

Thursday, April 8, 8:30am - 12:30pm
Suffolk Conference Center at Wannalancit Mills
600 Suffolk Street, Lowell, MA
This forum will feature speakers Margaret Morganroth Gullette and Marcie Pitt-Catsouhpes, stories from local activists, and an interactive component. *Lunch provided.*
Presenters: Center for Women and Work, UMass Lowell
Contact: Amy Stanley at 978-934-4380 or cww@uml.edu or visit www.uml.edu/womenwork

Girls With Goals: Me Inc.

Saturday, April 17, 9:00am - 3:00pm
Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell
220 Worthen Street, Lowell, MA
This conference gives girls in grades 3 - 8 an exciting opportunity to take part in fun-filled workshops covering health and fitness, goal-setting and empowerment, and career options.
Lunch will be provided
Contact: Jennifer Demers at 978-458-6529 x103

Take Back the Night

Thursday, April 22, 6:00 - 9:00pm
375 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA
As part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month and National Crime Victims' Rights Week Greater Lowell's annual Take Back the Night will meet in front of City Hall. Multiple presenters.
Contact: Molyka Tieng at 978-746-3147 or MolykaTi@lchealth.org

Take the Frustration Out of Menstruation

Thursday, April 29, 6:00 - 7:30pm
Lowell General Hospital
Clark Auditorium
295 Varnum Avenue, Lowell, MA
Join Dr. Nonnie Estella as she discusses common problems related to the female reproductive system, such as abnormal uterine bleeding and fibroids. Learn about the symptoms, causes and the newest technology for treatment, including R.O.S.S., the da Vinci® surgical robot! Light refreshments will be provided.
Contact: Julie Handy at 978-788-7078 or jhandy@lowellgeneral.org

Lowell Women's Week would like to thank the following partner organizations:

**Chancellor Marty Meehan and the University of Massachusetts Lowell
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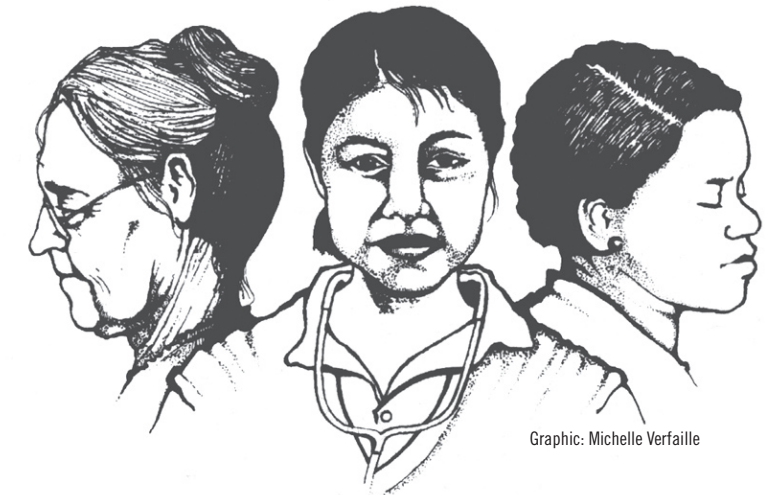
Thanks also to the many volunteers and organizations not listed here who have supported Lowell Women's Week in many ways!

Lowell Women's Week 2010

Sunday, February 28 through Monday, March 8

Lowell Women's Week (LWW) 2010 celebrates women - from the women who have come before us to the women of today who guide our city and our communities forward, to the young women who represent a future bright with promise and vision.

Our 15th annual celebration takes place during March, proclaimed by a joint resolution of Congress in 1987 as Women's History Month. At the center of the celebration is International Women's Day, celebrated worldwide on March 8th. We urge you to join us for the week's many and varied events, taking place at locations throughout Lowell. Through these programs, events and exhibits, we will celebrate women - past, present and future!



"Women's Stories: Crystallizing Our Role in History and Our World."

Lowell Women's Week 2010 Planning Committee includes representatives from the following organizations:

- Acre Family Childcare
- Alternative House
- American Textile History Museum
- Community Teamwork Inc.
- Cultural Organization of Lowell
- Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts
- Girls Incorporated of Greater Lowell
- Jeanne D'Arc Credit Union
- Lowell Alliance for Families and Neighborhoods
- Lowell General Hospital
- Lowell National Historical Park
- Lowell Telecommunications Corporation
- Merrimack Repertory Theatre
- Middlesex Community College
- New England Quilt Museum
- Saints Medical Center
- United Teen Equality Center
- University of Massachusetts Lowell
- Visiting Nurse Association of Greater Lowell

Lowell Women's Week 2010 Public Art: Story Tellers - The Streetscape Exhibit

This is an invitation to create art that tells a story about oneself, a woman you know or women in general, at home, at work, or in the community. Look for artwork at various downtown Lowell locations.
Contact: Jennifer Demers at 978-458-6529 ext 103 or jdemers@girlsinclowell.org

Lowell Women's Week Book Drive February 15 - March 8

In honor of Lowell Women's Week, a Book Drive will be held throughout the City of Lowell to benefit local non-profit agencies that work with women of all ages. We are asking for gently used books, age and content appropriate for girls and women. Drop off locations: 517 Moody St, First Floor (contact Maria Crooker), UMass Lowell McGauvran Student Union Bldg. (contact Imogene Stulken), Middlesex Community College in Lowell (contact Sheri Denk), Lowell General Hospital (contact Julie Handy) and Lowell Telecommunications Corporation (contact Gloria Polites). There will be also a drop-off box at the Lowell Women's Week Breakfast for new book donations only. A suggested list will be available on the LWW website (www.lowellwomensweek.org).
Contact: Maria Crooker at 978-937-5777

Lowell Women's Week Raffle Quilt at the New England Quilt Museum

New England Quilt Museum staff and volunteers have designed the 2010 LWW Raffle Quilt to feature the Crystal Star quilt block pattern as a series of pieced blocks alternated with a series of signature quilt blocks signed by women and girls from all walks of life. The finished quilt will be on display at various venues throughout Lowell Women's Week and at the New England Quilt Museum during the exhibit, Women's Writes: Signature Quilts and Their Stories from May 13 through July 11, 2010.
Tickets will be available at various venues during LWW. All the proceeds from the 2010 Raffle Quilt have been designated for the purchase of books related to women's history and achievements for Lowell Public School libraries and the Pollard Memorial Library located on Merrimack street in Lowell.

All Lowell Women's Week events are open to all and free of charge, unless otherwise noted.

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Sunday, February 28

Film "China Blue"

2:00 - 4:00pm
LNHP Visitor Center
246 Market Street, Lowell, MA
"China Blue" takes viewers inside a blue jean factory in southern China where teenage workers struggle to survive harsh working conditions. Does history really repeat itself?
Presenter: Lowell National Historical Park
Contact: JoAnn Marcos at 978-270-5000 or joann_marcos@nps.gov

Monday, March 1

Lowell Women's Week Breakfast Celebration

7:30 - 9:00am
UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center
50 Warren Street, Lowell, MA
Celebrate the beginning of Lowell Women's Week with a sumptuous breakfast and inspiring network of women. In case of inclement weather, listen to WCAP 980 AM. **Tickets are \$25 each.**
Contact: Maria Cunha at 978-656-3104 or cunham@middlesex.mass.edu

Tuesday, March 2

I Still Smell the Fire in My Grandma's Hair

10:30 - 11:45am
MCC Lowell Upper Caf e
33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA
Theatrical vignettes (short plays) highlight women's issues that raise questions and create awareness in honor of Lowell Women's Week 2010. Performances feature members of the MCC Theatre Department and the Matter of Fact Improvisational Troupe.
Contact: Karen Oster at 781-280-3939 or osterk@middlesex.mass.edu; Jean Trounstone at 978-656-3121 or trounstonej@middlesex.mass.edu

MCC 5th Annual Women in STEM Luncheon

12:30 - 2:00pm
MCC, Lower Cafeteria
33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA
The Women in STEM Luncheon will feature a panel of women from area colleges who are studying in STEM majors at the undergraduate level. The students will share their stories regarding achieving their goals at 4-year institutions and beyond.
Reservations are required.
Contact: Professor Margie Bleichman at 781-280-3825 or bleichmanm@middlesex.mass.edu

Wednesday, March 3

"The Clothes She Wore"—American Textile History Museum's Fashion Tour

1:00 - 2:30pm
American Textile History Museum
491 Dutton Street, Lowell, MA
Take the "Fashion Tour" of the American Textile History Museum's new core exhibit, "Textile Revolution—An Exploration Through Space and Time". Learn about the clothing styles in America since the 1700s and their social implications for women of all ages.
Contact: Sue Bunker at 978-441-0400 ext 234 or sbunker@athm.org

Creating Our-Selves & Her Stories: Stories, Art, Food & Fun!

1:00 - 5:30pm
O'Leary Library Rm. 222 (61 Wilder Street) and McGauvran Student Union Bldg. Rm 410 (71 Wilder Street), UMass Lowell South
Celebrating Lowell Women's Weeks 15th birthday, UMass Lowell Gender Studies students share stories and honor alums who organized LWW and its "foremother," UMass Lowell Women's Week. Art, food and fun, too!
Presenters: UMass Lowell Gender Studies Students and Staff
Contact: Anne Mulvey at 978-934-3965 or Anne_Mulvey@uml.edu; Julie Nash at 978-934-4191 or Julie_Nash@uml.edu

Basic Steps to Creating a Budget Workshop

1:30 - 3:30pm
169 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA, 3rd floor
CTI's Financial Literacy Academy will host a workshop focusing on the components of a budget and how to accommodate household expenses and savings. CTI's WIC Nutrition Program will provide delicious food samples and healthy family recipes.
Pre-registration is required.
Contact: Gladys Santiago at 978-654-5080 ext 11 or Sharon Shelton at sshelton@comteam.org



Inspirational Stories of Successful Women

1:30 - 2:30pm
MCC, Multicultural Center
33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA
Through various narratives, a panel of successful women will share their personal journeys that have brought them professional success. The topics of discussion will include education, family life and work experience. Come hear their amazing stories!
Sponsored by MCC International Club
Contact: Maryanne Mungovan at 978-656-3267 or mungovanm@middlesex.mass.edu

Mothers of Rock 2010

7:30 - 9:30pm
Junior Ballroom, UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center, 50 Warren Street, Lowell, MA
Mothers of Rock is a tribute concert to women in music. It is run entirely by students of the University of Massachusetts in Lowell. This concert is free. (suggested donation of \$5.00 to benefit Girls' Inc. of Greater Lowell). Presented by: UMass Lowell, MEISA (Music and Entertainment Industry Students Association)
Contact: Amanda Kinney at 978-828-8980 or MothersofRock2010@gmail.com

Black Pearl Sings!

7:30pm
Merrimack Repertory Theatre
50 E. Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA
A music-filled search for lost African-American folk songs leads Susannah, an ambitious "song collector," to Pearl, a woman with a soulful voice, a steely spirit and an incredible history. Tracing the roots of many beloved American songs, the legacy of the past clashes with their hopes for the future, as they journey to find their way out of the shadows and into the spotlight.
The discount ticket price for Lowell Women's Week is \$25, and will be available by using the discount 'LWW' online at www.merrimackrep.org.

Thursday, March 4

Hispanic Women Moving Forward

8:30 - 10:30am
Assembly Room, Federal Building, MCC
50 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA
Join Hispanic women from Greater Lowell to celebrate the women who continue to inspire and challenge our current and future leaders. This year's speaker will be Miss Amsi Morales, the founder of the A.M.S.I. Foundation.
Continental breakfast will be served.
Contact: Darmey Montoya at 978-937-8921, Maria Vejar at 978-937-8908, or Maria Lopez at 978-399-4805

Crystal Stars

10:30am - 12:00pm
New England Quilt Museum
18 Shattuck Street, Lowell, MA
Learn to sew the Crystal Star featured in the LWW 2010 raffle quilt. Fabric and pattern provided. Quilt blocks will be sewn together as care and comfort quilts for local nursing home residents.
Contact: Rhonda Galpern at 978-452-4207 ext 17 or outreach@nequiltmuseum.org

Braided Streams: Women of Faith Speak

11:00am - 12:15pm
UMass Lowell North Campus, Southwick 404
Women student panelists from diverse faith traditions reflect on their experiences of the intersection between religion and gender.
Presenter: Imogene Stulken and panelists
Contact: Imogene Stulken at 978-934-5014 or Imogene_Stulken@uml.edu

Film Screening: "Pray the Devil Back to Hell"

12:00 - 1:30pm and 6:30 - 8:30pm
MCC, Federal Building
50 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA
"Pray the Devil Back to Hell" is the extraordinary story of a small band of Liberian women who came together in the midst of a bloody civil war, took on the violent warlords and corrupt Charles Taylor regime, and won a long-awaited peace for their shattered country in 2003. The evening screening will include a discussion with director Gini Reticker, followed by a reception.
Co-sponsored by MCC's Cultural Connections Committee and the Social Sciences Division, with 2PM Productions
Contact: Pat Demaras at 978-656-3256 or demarasp@middlesex.mass.edu

PeaceQuilts' Efforts to Rebuild in Haiti

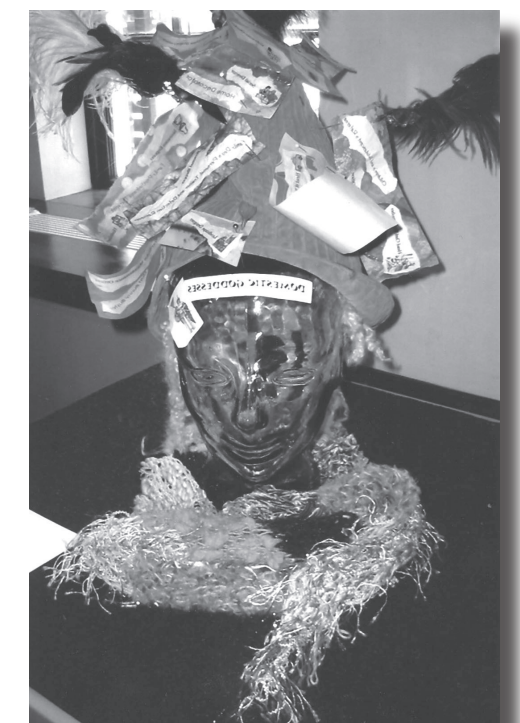
12:30 - 1:30pm
New England Quilt Museum
18 Shattuck Street, Lowell, MA
PeaceQuilts was founded as a co-op to enable Haitian Women to earn a living through meaningful creative work and improve their families' lives. Jeanne Staples will share stories of the project's success and how its focus has changed to organize a relief/rebuilding fund in the wake of the earthquakes.
Contact: Rhonda Galpern at 978-452-4207 ext 17 or outreach@nequiltmuseum.org

Sharing Quilting Locally and Globally

1:30 - 2:30pm
New England Quilt Museum,
18 Shattuck Street, Lowell, MA
Museum staff and PeaceQuilts Director Jeanne Staples will share stories of community quilting projects. Learn how you can help local efforts as well as the co-op members of PeaceQuilts as they begin to rebuild their lives.
Contact: Rhonda Galpern at 978-452-4207 ext 17 or outreach@nequiltmuseum.org

Saints Celebrates Women - 2nd Annual Wine, Cheese, and Chocolate Event

6:00 - 9:00pm
Saints Medical Center
1 Hospital Drive, Lowell, MA
A festive evening dedicated to women including complimentary wine, cheese and chocolate tasting. Events include presentations by our experts on contemporary women's health issues, chair massages, an informal fashion show, and lots more. Have a great girl's night out on Saints! *Valet and free parking available. Admission is free, pre-registration is required.*
Contact: Mary Iannuzzo at 978-934-8591 or CWI@saintsmedicalcenter.com



Friday, March 5

V-Day United Teen Equality Center: The Vagina Monologues

8:00 - 10:00pm
UTEC, 34 Hurd Street, Lowell, MA
A global movement to stop violence against women and girls. V-Day is a catalyst that promotes creative events to increase awareness, raise money and revitalize the spirit of existing organizations. (\$10.00 suggested donation to benefit Rape Crisis Services of Greater Lowell and the Democratic Republic of Congo).
Contact: Julie Carey at (978)-856-3912 or jcarey@utec-lowell.org

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