



ERIE COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN | MARCH 2026

TUES., MARCH 3 | 6:30pm | **Ferocious Femininity: Female Vampires in Folklore, Film, & History** | *Learn about the origins of women vampires dating back to antiquity, and get to know the real women who were accused of being vampires throughout history with local author Amanda Woome!* Includes a Q&A with the author and book signing. | Sponsored by North Park Branch Library | Located at North Park Library | 975 Hertel Ave, Buffalo, NY 14216 | **FREE** | Alyssa Clark | npk@buffalolib.org | 716/875-3748 | buffalolib.libcal.com | Instagram: @northpark_library

TUES., MARCH 10 | 6:00pm | **The Spiritualist & the Suffragist** | *Learn a brief history of the Spiritualist Movement (which started right here in Western New York!), the Fox Sisters, and the evolution of mediumship as the 19th Century transformed into the 20th Century.* | Presented by Amanda Woome, Local Author | Located at Kenmore Branch Library | 160 Delaware Rd, Kenmore NY 14217 | **FREE** | Nicole Bermingham | 716/873-2842 | berminghamn@buffalolib.org | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/kenmore-branch>

WED., MARCH 11 | 6:30pm-7:30pm | **Radium Girls** | *Presentation on the women who painted glow-in-the-dark radium onto airplane instruments, watches, clocks, and dials so they could be seen at night. Why were so many of them mysteriously dying?* | Presented by Theresa Wiater | Located at Grand Island Memorial Library Meeting Room | 1715 Bedell Rd., Grand Island, NY 14072 | **FREE** | Theresa Wiater | 716/773-7124 | taw1107@yahoo.com | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/grand-island-memorial-library>

MON., MARCH 16 | 6:00pm | **Ferocious Femininity: Female Vampires in Folklore, Film, and History** | *In this presentation, guests will learn that the origins of vampires are surprisingly female, dating back to antiquity, and will get to know the real women who were accused of being vampires throughout history.* | Presented by Hamburg Public Library | Located at Hamburg Public Library | 102 Buffalo St, Hamburg, NY 14075 | **FREE** | Nicole Brown | 716/649-4415 | brownnm@buffalolib.org | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/hamburg-public-library>

MON., MARCH 16 | 6:00pm | **The Spiritualist & The Suffragist** | *Learn a brief history of the Spiritualist Movement (which started right here in Western New York!), the Fox Sisters, and the evolution of mediumship as the 19th Century transformed into the 20th Century. We'll look at how physical mediumship was a viable job for women in a time when opportunities were scarce and how the Spiritualist Movement connected to the Suffragist and Women's Rights Movement.* | Presented by Lake Shore Public Library | Located at Lake Shore Public Library | S-4857 Lake Shore Rd. Hamburg, NY 14075 | **FREE** | Nicole Brown | 716/649-4415 | brownnm@buffalolib.org | 716/627-3017 | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/lake-shore-branch-library>

THURS., MARCH 19 | 5:30pm-8:00pm | **Happy Hour with a Cause** | *An evening focused on connection, meaningful conversation, and supporting women right here in our community. A portion of event proceeds will benefit the WNY Women's Foundation, helping fund programs and resources that empower women.* | Presented by Queen City Revival | Located at Meet & Eat Charcuterie | 799 Seneca Street, Buffalo, NY 14224 | \$ | Natalie Wasieczko | 716/430-4327 | queencityrevivalyp@gmail.com | <https://www.qcr716.org/events-1/happy-hour-with-a-cause>

TUES., MARCH 24 | 6:30pm-7:30pm | **Ferocious Femininity: Female Vampires in Folklore, Film & History** | *Local author Amanda Woome will show that the origins of vampires are surprisingly female, dating back to antiquity. Get to know the real women who were accused of being vampires throughout history.* | Presented by Amanda Woome, Local Author | Located at Lancaster Public Library | 5466 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086 | **FREE** | 716/683-1120 | [bit.ly/lancasterlibrary](https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/lancaster-public-library) | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/lancaster-public-library>

WED., MARCH 25 | 10:00am-3:00pm | **Women's History Month Symposium** | *Leading the Change: "Women Shaping a Sustainable Future" broadens the definition of sustainability beyond environmental stewardship alone. It embraces financial stability, community resilience, leadership development, and intergenerational equity.* | Presented by Partners In Community Development | Located at Batavia Downs Event Center | 8315 Park Rd, Batavia, NY 14020 | **FREE** | Sara Taylor | SaraBIPOCpk@thepicd.org | Eventbrite or PICD Website | <https://thepicd.org/calendar> | <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/womens-history-month-equity-upward-mobility-symposium-tickets-1983076636603?aff=oddtcreator>

WED., MARCH 25 | 5:00pm-7:15pm | **Women's Rights: Then and Now** | *We will explore the ongoing journey toward equality by reflecting on the courageous women who shaped history and examining the work that continues today.* | Presented by League of Women Voters Buffalo/Niagara | Located at Merriweather Lewis Library Auditorium | 1324 Jefferson Ave, Buffalo, NY 14208 | **FREE** | Lori Robinson | 716/604-6920 | president@lwvbn.org | 716-986-4898 | www.lwvbn.org

WED., MARCH 25 | 6:30pm | **Ferocious Femininity: Female Vampires in Folklore, Film & History** | *Learn how the history of vampires is surprisingly female! Get to know the women accused of being vampires.* | Presented by Amanda Woome - Spook-Eats | Located at Newstead Public Library | 33 Main Street, Akron NY 14001 | **FREE** | Kristine Sutton | 716/542-2327 | suttonk@buffalolib.org | <https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/newstead-public-library>

THURS., MARCH 26 | **Equal Pay Day 2026** | *Each year, this symbolic day is used to raise awareness around and combat the impact of pay inequities. Equal Pay Day 2026 is on March 26 and marks the current state of the gender pay gap for women: 81% for full-time, year-round workers and 76% for all workers (including part-time and seasonal).*

TUES., MARCH 31 | 6:00pm | **The Spiritualist & The Suffragist** | *Learn a brief History of the Spiritualist Movement, the Fox Sisters, and the evolution of mediumship as the 19th Century transformed into the 20th Century. We'll look at how physical mediumship was a viable job for women in a time when opportunities were scarce and how the spiritualist movement connected to Suffragist and Women's Rights Movement.* | Presented by Amanda Woome, Local Author | Located at Lackawanna Public Library, 560 Ridge Road | Lackawanna, NY 14218 | **FREE** | Danielle Ptak | ptakd@buffalolib.org | 716/823-0630 | 716/858-8900 | <https://buffalolib.libcal.com/event/16279389>