2017 Women’s History Month Calendar of Events

The 2017 Women’s History Month theme “Honoring Trailblazing Women in Labor and Business,” honors women who have successfully challenged the role of women in both business and the paid labor force. Below are many opportunities to honor and help celebrate the numerous achievements of women!

February 28, Tuesday

Popcorn and a Movie
Sista in the Brotherhood is a 20-minute, short film about a black tradeswoman who faces discrimination on a new, all white, male, job site. She must choose between making a stand or risk never being recognized as the skilled worker she has become. The film will be followed by a short panel discussion featuring the filmmaker, and Water Bureau employees, Shawna Gawthorne and Lisa Serrano. (Popcorn and refreshments provided) Questions? Ashley Tjaden

Noon-1:00 p.m., Portland Bldg, 2nd Flr, Auditorium

Brought to you by City African American Network Women’s Empowerment in honor of Black and Women’s History Months. Event is sponsored by the City Attorney’s Office, and the Environmental Services Committee for Equity and Diversity.

March 1-31

Nominate “Wonder Women”
Honor women at the City who serve as mentors, leaders and exceptional colleagues. Submit your nomination at portlandoregon.gov/deep/nominations. Questions? Debbie Caselton

Please note: All nominees are recognized and will be notified to attend the awards event on April 18, from noon to 1pm. Portland Bldg, 2nd Flr, Auditorium

March 1, Wednesday

Proclamation by City Council
Join us at City Hall to hear Mayor Wheeler proclaim March as Women’s History Month. 9:45 a.m., City Hall, Council Chambers

OMF Speaker Series - Monica Enand, CEO of Zapproved
Monica has grown Zapproved into a leading cloud-based software provider for corporate legal — transforming the way corporate legal departments respond to litigation so they can take control over their processes, mitigate risk, and reduce costs. Prior to founding Zapproved, Monica spent more than 15 years with companies such as Intel and IBM. Questions? Tosin Abidun

Noon-1:00 p.m., Portland Bldg, 2nd Flr, Rm B

March 2, Thursday

Women’s History Month Breakfast
Enjoy coffee, tea, and make-your-own yogurt parfaits with your colleagues! We’ll have fun facts about rad American women in history, and an activity to color-your-own art paintings by great women artists. Questions? Ashley Tjaden.

7:30-9:00 a.m., Portland Bldg, 2nd Flr, Rm C

March 6, Monday

Short Films and Discussion – Bring Your Lunch
Don’t eat lunch by yourself, join us! Bring your lunch to this viewing of some thought provoking film shorts. Questions? Caroline Marina.

Noon-1:00 p.m., 1900 Bldg, Room 4A

March 7 & 8, Tuesday & Wednesday

Film: Norma Rae (1979)
Shown in 2 parts. Sally Field as Norma Rae, the Southern millworker who revolutionizes a small town and discovers a power in herself she never knew she had. With guidance from a New York unionizer, Norma Rae organizes her fellow factory workers to fight for better conditions and wages. Based on a true story. Questions? Debbie Caselton.

Noon-1:00 p.m., Portland Bldg, 8th Flr, Hawthorne Rm

March 10, Friday

Wellness Discussion and Walk
Come learn about City wellness and exercise programs. Bring a buddy or link with a workout friend. Let’s get started! Optional walk to PSU. Questions? Anika Curry or Kate Green.

Noon-1:00 p.m., 1900 Bldg, Rm 4A

March 13-27

Dress for Success Clothing Drive
Donate gently used professional women’s clothing of all sizes, plus sizes encouraged. If you are interested in having a donation bin at your location, or if you have questions, contact Ashley Tjaden.

Donation bins: Portland Bldg, Lobby; Pioneer Bldg, Entrance;

March 22, Wednesday

OMF Speaker Series Panel on Women in Government Leadership
Panelists include: Amalia Alarcon-Morris, Carmen Merlo, Anna Kanwit, and Dora Perry


Noon-1:00 p.m., 1900 Building, Rm 4A

March 24, Friday

Buried in the Street
Based on a true story. Questions? Debbie Caselton.

Noon-1:00 p.m., Portland Bldg, 2nd Flr, Rm C

March 26, Sunday

Your Lunch
Join the annual free women’s clothing and accessories swap. Extras will be donated to local reuse organizations. Questions? Alicia Polacok.

Noon–1:00 p.m., 1900 Building, Rm 7A

March 27, Monday

Potluck Breakfast
Join us for potluck breakfast for sisterhood and reflection on the events of the month. Bring a dish to share for 8-10. Questions? Anika Curry.

7:30-8:30 a.m., 1900 Bldg, Rm 4A

March 30, Thursday

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March 31, Friday

What Works for Women at Work
Join in a discussion about how to spot gender bias – and hear strategies for navigating it. Come to this joint event brought to you by Women’s Empowerment and PDX City Mamas to hear about four different patterns of gender bias and how they shape today’s workplaces.

Questions? Lora Lillard.

Noon-1:00 p.m., 1900 Building, Rm 7A

Women’s History Month Happy Hour
Join Multnomah County Chair, Deborah Kafoury and Newly-Elected Commissioner Chloe Eudaly for coffee and a chat. Sponsored by BTS. Questions? Penelope Luedtke.

8:00-9:00 a.m., City Hall, Atrium

April 1, Tuesday

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April 18, Tuesday

7th Annual Wonder Women Awards
Celebrate mentors, co-workers, and women you admire at the City. Questions? Debbie Caselton.

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