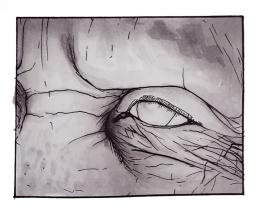
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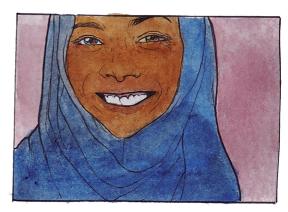
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Celebrating 100 Years of Suffrage 1918 - 2018

International Women's Day 2018 Theme

No Woman Left Behind









This year we celebrate the suffrage gained in 1918 when women of property got the vote for the first time. This was of course only a partial win for the women's movement and we want to highlight the many women who are still left behind today. While we make strides towards equality, the most vulnerable and marginalised women still bear the brunt of the problems facing us today.

Domestic and sexual violence figures continue to escalate while vital services are being cut. The UK government is imposing the disgusting 2 child cap and rape clause on families receiving child tax credit or universal credit forcing women and children into poverty. Surviving on food banks is now a way of life for some and homelessness has increased by 1/3 in Northern Ireland since 2012. Changes to the benefits system mean that social security, designed to be a safety net, is now becoming harder and harder to access and being sanctioned with impunity. Racist, homophobic and transphobic attacks are on the rise in our communities, we still don't have marriage equality and women do not have full reproductive rights. Northern Ireland continues to lag behind the UK and Ireland on legal protections from domestic abuse, discrimination and the provision of universal childcare.

So as we celebrate International Women's Day 2018 with this inspiring programme of events, and send our greetings to our sisters around the world, we also continue the fight for equality for all and insist 'No Woman Left Behind!'

For updates and event information follow us on social media:

Facebook.com/InternationalWomensDayNorthernIreland Twitter: @ReclaimAgenda #IWDNI18





IWD Poster Competition

We would like to thank all the young artists who submitted work for our poster design competition. Congratulations to everyone; they were wonderful and the winning design featured on the front of this programme is by Ciara Murray aged 15. A special limited edition postcard set is being produced celebrating the work of all who entered.





CHEERS FOR CHOICE

Thursday 1st March

6pm - 8pm / Black Box, Hill St, Belfast

Social Activism

Raise a glass to abortion rights! Whether you're a seasoned activist or interested in finding out how to get involved everyone is welcome.

Alliance for Choice

£: FREE

WOMENS STUDIES; RE-UNITED FOR IWD18 Thursday 1st March

7.30pm - late Black Box, Hill Street, Belfast

Party

Celebrate IWD18 with past friends from the Women's Studies course at BIFHE-AKA Belfast Met 1993 to 2008 plus. The mother of all parties! Family and friends welcome.

£: DONATIONS

WHAT WOULD A REPEAL OF THE 8TH AMENDMENT MEAN FOR THE NORTH? Saturday 3rd March

2pm – 4pm / Lúnasa Café: 44-46 King Street, Belfast

Panel discussion

This panel discussion will focus on the impact of a successful Repeal referendum on Northern Ireland. Venue: Fully accessible. Family friendly event, with supervision for children.

Rally for Choice

£: FREE



FEMINIST FOOD CARNIVAL

Saturday 3rd March

5pm – midnight / The Intercontinental, 164-166 Ravenhill Rd, Belfast

Fundraiser

Facilitated by Giros Café food and entertainment in the form of a feminist carnival! Accessible venue. Family friendly event.

Rally for Choice

£3 / DONATION

SHANKILL WOMEN'S CENTRE 30 YEARS Saturday 3rd March

7pm - late / Lansdowne Hotel, Belfast

Proudly celebrating 30 years recognizing women's achievements.

£: FREE TICKET ONLY

DEJA-VU-VU DISCO

Saturday 3rd March

8.30pm – late / The Big House, Ormeau Rd, Belfast

Disco

A night of dancing for LGBTQ women. www.meetup.com/deja-vu-vu deja-vu-vu

NOW WHAT THE HELL YOU TALKING • 'BOUT?

Saturday 3rd March

11am - 1pm/Youth Action Collage Sq North

Workshop

Workshop preparing for the rally, bring your chants and make a banner! Green and purple are go!

YouthAction NI

£: FREE

£5





WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING Wednesday 7th March

10am - 1pm / Windsor Women's Centre

Taster sessions in Zumba, Dancercise etc. Nutrition information with foods from around the world.

Windsor Women's Centre

£: FREE

*** CAD É FAOI NA HOIBRÍ Monday 5th March

10:30am - 5pm / Framewerk / Belfast

Art

For 'Cad é faoi na hOibrí?' Artist Stephen Millar focused on feminism and language and held conversations with different sitters, identifying as feminist, to create a series of paintings. The paintings act as portraits or memories of the conversation

£: FREE

*** POP UP COOKING

Tuesday 6th March

10am to 1pm / Women's Information NI, Argyle Business Centre

Vegan Cooking Demonstration & tasting

Join vegan champion Paula Montes who will have some health boosting soups...etc'.

Women's Information NI £: FREE

*** WOMEN AND MEDICINE DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Tuesday 6th March

10am - 1.15pm / PRONI, 2 Titanic Boulevard, Belfast



TALK

PRONI will host a half-day conference exploring the role of female medical and nursing staff during the First World War.

PRONI / Booking essential. £: FREE

MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH EVENT

Wednesday 7th March 10am - 2pm / Greenway Women's Centre

Health Day Event

Join us for information on services that other organisations offer to help women improve their health.

£: FREE

DEEDS NOT WORDS: HOW WOMEN WON THE VOTE

Thursday 8th March

10am - 1pm / Bridge Community Centre, Lisburn

Lecture & Discussion by Atlas Women's Centre.

Atlas Women's Centre

Clogher, Co Tyrone

£: FREE

100 YEARS: WOMEN AND THE VOTE Thursday 8th March

10.30am - 1.30pm / Corick House Hotel,

Conference

A celebration of the 1918 act of parliament, that gave women over 30 the right to vote. We are launching our Rural Voices research report funded by the Halifax foundation.

Northern Ireland Rural Women's Network



I AM WOMAN; HEAR ME ROAR Thursday 8th March

10.30am -12.30pm / Long Gallery, Stormont

Launch

Women's Aid Federation NI - consultation report with Victims, Survivors & Service Users 2017/18. This pivotal event, hosted by Clare Bailey MLA on International Women's Day ensures that *No Woman is Left Behind* because of their experience of domestic violence. All Welcome

Women's Aid Federation NI f: FREE

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CELEBRATING WOMEN'S ACHIEVEMENTS Thursday 8th March

11am - 1pm / An Chulturlann, Falls Rd

Social

An event to celebrate the achievements of women involved in our Women in Peace building Project. This will bring together women from Falls, Shankill and Greenway Women's Centres.

Falls Women's Centre

£: FREE

CELEBRATING WOMEN IN THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT

Thursday 8th March

12.30pm - 2.00pm / NIPSA HQ, 54 Wellington Park, Belfast

Talk

For the 100th Anniversary of women getting the vote and the Year of the Woman, join us in celebrating women of the trade union movement. Open to NIPSA members only.

NIPSA Members Only

£: FREE

POPPY REMBERANCE

Friday 9th March

East Belfast Community Centre

Art

Exhibition by East Belfast Cultural Ladies Society; created by women who like to remember.

£: FREE



VOTES FOR REPEAL
Thursday 8th March
5.30pm – 7.30pm / Belfast City Hall

Participatory

Come and join us in our solidarity protest with our sisters in the Republic of Ireland, as they campaign to Repeal the Eighth Amendment. All welcome.

Alliance for Choice

£: FREE

AN INTRO TO BODY THEOLOGY
Seminar by Harriet Long
Thursday 8th March

6.30pm - 8pm / Framewerk, Belfast

SEMINAR

If you're interested in more than theology, and figuring out a paradigm shift that rejects dualisms and strict binaries, then this conversation will be a starter for you too!

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SHRIEKING SISTERS Thursday 8th March

6pm - 9pm / Great Hall, Stormont, Belfast

Discussion & Theatre

The Speaker of the Northern Ireland Assembly would like to invite you to a special event at Parliament Buildings to celebrate International Women's Day 2018. The evening begins with a light supper and the opportunity for you to meet other guests to share your thoughts on female equality in Northern Ireland. Followed by an exclusive showing of 'Shrieking Sisters' a play that tells the story of Ulster and Irish suffragettes in the early years of the 20th century. Marie-Louise Muir will host a panel debate with experts in the field of female empowerment including playwright Maggie Cronin, historian Margaret Ward, academic Myrtle Hill and Young Women's Development Worker Emma Johnston. £: FREE but booking essential

PAST- PRESENT- FUTURE: WOMEN IN THE TRADE UNION

Thursday 8th March

6pm - 9pm / Galway House, Belfast

Discussion

Therese Moriarty, speaking on Mary Galway a pioneer woman trade unionist, born into a linen weaving family in Moira, Co Down she was instrumental in bringing change to the most exploited of the textile workers in the 1900s. A panel of leading female activists will discuss, the past and present roles that women played in the trade union movement, and how to ensure women's involvement grows in the future.

UNISON £: FREE

PRACTISED HANDS

Thursday 8th March

7pm - 8:30pm / Pollen Studio, 37 Queen St

Screening / Performance

An evening of archival film screening. Artist Jayne Cherry and Alice Clark will undertake a performance re-evaluating the significance of linen. Supported by Film Hub NI, with footage from the Northern Ireland Screen Digital Film Archive.

Pollen Studios

£: FREE

'SHE'

Thursday 8th March

8pm – late / The Barracks, 8 – 10 Exchange Place, Belfast

Film Premiere

'She' is an exploration of female identity within the local queer community through candid, honest conversations with those who identify as 'she'; what defines a she, and what is the future for female queers within Northern Ireland? 'She' is followed by female-centric cabaret.

Queertopia

£7 (BYOB)



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RECLAIM: AGENDA

WHAT'S RECLAIM THE AGENDA?

We are a collective of women's representatives, grassroots feminists, trade union activists and interested individuals who campaign on 6 keys themes

1: To live free from poverty

2: To live free from discrimination

3: To have healthcare services that meet our particular needs

4: To live our lives free from domestic and sexual abuse

5: To live in a society where women are equally represented as decision makers

6: To have access to good, affordable and flexible childcare provision

If you are interested to get involved email reclaimtheagenda@gmail.com



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Call to Action

On 6 February 1918, the Representation of the People Act gave some women the right to vote, a landmark for women's equality. One hundred years on, Reclaim the Agenda in collaboration with 14-18 NOW and Artichoke, invite women and girls across the nation to mark this moment by taking part in a major massparticipation artwork.

Thousands of women and girls from across the UK and NI will walk together in public processions on Sunday 10 June, forming a living portrait of women in the 21st century and a visual expression of equality, strength and cultural representation.

100 artists are working with community groups across the country to deliver expressive banners and iconic artworks that echo the artistic practices of the women's suffrage campaign and yet are grounded in women's experience today. We invite you to be part of a series of workshops in creating our iconic banner.

For further details reclaimtheagenda@gmail.com

IWD Centenary Festival Programme1 - 27 March 2018

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CELEBRATING WOMEN'S ACHIEVEMENTS: 11am – 1pm / An Chulturlann, Falls Rd

WOMEN IN THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT: 12.30pm - 2.00pm / NIPSA HQ POPPY REMBERANCE: All day / East Belfast Community Centre, Belfast

VOTES FOR REPEAL: 5pm - 7.30pm / Belfast City Hall

SHRIEKING SISTERS: 6pm - 9pm / Great Hall, Stormont, Belfast

AN INTRO TO BODY THEOLOGY: 6.30pm - 8pm / Framewerk, Belfast

PAST PRESENT FUTURE WOMEN IN THE TRADE UNION: 6pm – 9pm / Galway House

PRACTISED HANDS: 7pm - 8:30pm / Pollen Studio, Queen St, Belfast

'SHE': 8pm - late / The Barracks, Belfast

5 FILMS: All day / Beanbag Cinema, Exchange Place, Belfast

STILL: IWD Performance - 7.30pm - 9pm / PS2, 11 North Street, Belfast

THE THING WITH FEATHERS: 7pm - 10pm / The Intercontinental, 164 Ravenhill Rd

Friday 9th March

ALIENS: 8pm - 10.45pm / Venue: TBC

IS THIS A NEW ERA OF SEXUAL PURITANISM?: 2pm - 3pm / 18 College Green, Belfast REIMAGING PEACE WITH LGB&T WOMEN: 1pm-2pm / Ulster University, Belfast Campus

Saturday 10th March

IWD 2018 RALLY: 11am - 1pm / Writers Square, Belfast

MARKET FOR CHOICE: 1pm - 5pm / Sunflower Bar, 65 Union St, Belfast

#METOO TO #REPEAL: 2.30pm - 4.30pm / Hudson Bar, Belfast

WOMEN AND BEER: 3pm - 4:30pm / Sunflower Bar (upstairs) Belfast

THE HOMELESS PERIOD: 1.30pm - 3pm / Lúnasa Café, 44-46 King Street, Belfast

ALTERNATIVE MS ULSTER: 7pm - 9pm / Great Hall, Stormont, Belfast Date Change 9th

INTERNATIONAL WORKING WOMEN'S DAY: 7pm - late / Lúnasa Café, 44 King St, Belfast

WOMEN ON WATER: 1pm - 4.45pm / River Lagan @ Big Fish, Belfast

WOMEN OF THE WORLD: 8pm - late / Westville Hotel, Enniskillen

Tuesday 13th March

AN INSIGHT TO TRAVELLING WOMEN IN NI: 11am - 1pm / Lúnasa Café, King St. Belfast

Wednesday 14th March

WOMEN & CHILDREN STORMONT TAKEOVER!: 10am - 12.30pm / Stormont, Belfast KIND TO WOMEN: HOW ABORTION ACT CHANGED OUR LIVES: 6.30pm / Beanbag Cinema ENTITLED; THE ASSESSMENT: 7.30pm - 9.30pm / An Chulturlann, Falls Road, Belfast

Thursday 15th March

NICRAS WORKSHOP: 10am – 1pm / Venue TBC

PEACE, POWER & PATRIARCHY: 10am - 1pm / Guildhall, Derry City

Friday 16th March

ENTITLED: 7pm - late / Black Box, Hill St, Belfast

20th - 27th March

ARTICHOKE PROCESSIONS WORKSHOPS: 10am -1pm / Venue: TBC

Thursday 22nd March

BEING SEX WORK POSITIVE: 7pm - 9pm / Venue TBC

Events To Be Confirmed (TBC)

CROSS-COMMUNITY TRIP TO DUBLIN MUSEUMS: 9am - 6pm / Date: TBC JUDITH ORR ABORTION WARS: 1pm - 2.30pm / Venue: TBC **VISIT FACEBOOK / TWITTER: RECLAIM THE AGENDA - IWD18NI**





5 FILMS
Thursday 8th March
All day / Beanbag Cinema

Fire by Deepa Mehta; If These Walls Could Talk 2 by Jane Anderson, Martha Coolidge, Anne Heche; Inez: A Challenging Woman by Trevor Birney, Eimhear O'Neill; Persepolis by Vincent Paronnaud, Marjane Satrapi & Raise The Red Lantern by Yimou Zhang

Belfast Film Festival £: FREE

STILL

International Women's Day Performance Thursday 8th March

7.30pm -9pm / PS2, 11 North St. Belfast

Art / Performance

'Still' is an exhibition showing works of sound, visual, performance, poetry and more. It is curated around the responses by female artists to the subject of female birds.

PS2 £: FREE

THE THING WITH FEATHERS Thursday 8th March

7pm – 10pm / The Intercontinental – 164 Rayenhill Rd. Belfast

Poetry

An evening of poetry readings, sharing and listening. Alcohol & drug free space - please respect this.

The Intercontinental
Donation to Rally For Choice

£: FREE



ALIENS 1918 - 2018

Friday 9th March

8pm - 10.45pm / Venue: TBC

Film

Flight Officer Ellen Ripley fights off Aliens that have taken over a space colony. Come see this again on the big screen!

ExACT Expat Action £1 DONATION



IS THIS A NEW ERA OF SEXUAL PURITANISM? Friday 9th March

2pm -3 pm / 18 College Green, Belfast

Public Debate

Are campaigns such as #TimesUp and #MeToo likely to reduce the incidence of sexual harassment and violence against women? This debate will focus on Northern Ireland and India, considering Catherine Deneuve's claim that we are entering a new era of sexual puritanism. Speakers: Aishwarya Patil (QUB), Louise Kennedy (Women's Aid), and Kellie O'Dowd (Belfast Feminist Network).

Queen's University

REIMAGING PEACE CONVERSATIONS WITH LGB&T WOMEN

Friday 9th March

1pm - 2pm / The Boardroom, Ulster University, Belfast Campus

Lecture/Discussion

This lunchtime lecture with Fidelma Ashe takes an alternative approach to the peace process by searching for imaginings of peace against the backdrop of a collapsed Northern Ireland Assembly. The lecture discusses these challenging and inspiring visions and highlights how LGBT women are agents of social change in Northern Ireland. Ulster University & RtA £: FREE

IWD 2018 RALLY Saturday 10th March

11am – 1pm / Writers Square to City Hall, Belfast

Belfast will celebrate International Women's Day with a colourful parade, there will be singing, dancing, drumming, face painting and street entertainment as we march to the City Hall for greetings from our Lord Mayor and inspirational speeches. Come and enjoy this fantastic International Women's Day parade. A great day out for all the family!

Reclaim the Agenda

£: FREE



MARKET FOR CHOICE

Saturday 10th March 1pm - 5pm / Sunflower Bar, 65 Union St.

Market

Come and enjoy an array of stalls with vintage and vinyl, crafts and cakes, books and bohemia.

Alliance for Choice

£: FREE



#METOO TO #REPEAL Saturday 10th March

2.30pm – 4.30pm / Hudson Bar, Belfast

Discussion

A discussing by activist group Reproductive Rights Against Oppression, Sexism and Austerity exploring #Metoo to #Repeal: The worldwide fight for women's rights

ROSA £: FREE

WOMEN AND BEER

Saturday 10th March

3pm - 4:30pm / Sunflower Bar, 65 Union St.

Discussion

A panel of women discuss their experiences and share their expertise in all things beer related. This event is for 18's + & self-identifying women only.

Belfast Women's Beer Collective
Donation: The Homeless Period

f: FREE

THE HOMELESS PERIOD

Care-Pack and Information Session Saturday 10th March

1.30pm - 3pm / Lúnasa Café 44 King Street

Charity

Gather and arrange donations to create our special International Women's Day period-packs, write cards to our service users, discuss ideas, and celebrate!
All welcome, help making up care-packs, get information or to simply pop by and leave a donation. Needed: Tampons;
Sanitary Towels; Wipes; New Underwear
It is not a requirement to come with donations

The Homeless Period Belfast £: FREE



ALTERNATIVE MS ULSTER

Friday 9th March

7pm - 9pm / Great Hall, Stormont, Belfast

Alternative Ms Ulster is opening up a platform for women to speak out about what is important to them, to call out the change that's needed and to celebrate what has already been achieved to ensure NO WOMAN IS LEFT BEHIND. These Alternative Ms Ulster's will walk down the marble staircase and give a brief statement at the podium. Statements can be made by an individual or a representative group in whatever manner they see fit.

If you are interested in speaking or attending this event, get in touch at alternativemsulster@gmail.com

DEADLINE: 5 pm, Friday 2nd March.

£: FREE

INTERNATIONAL WORKING WOMEN'S DAY Saturday 10th March

7pm - late / Lúnasa Café: 44 King St, Belfast

Party / Music / Art

A night of music, song, and poetry by women from all walks of life, creatively sharing their struggles and their successes. We will have a wide selection of food available and the event is BYO

Lúnasa Workers Co-Op £3/donation

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WOMEN OF THE WORLD

Saturday 10th March

8pm - late / Westville Hotel, Enniskillen

Social

A evening to come together and catch up with everything that's going on in women's groups from all neighborhoods in the area.

£: FREE

WOMEN ON WATER

Sunday 11th March

1pm - 4.45pm / River Lagan @ Big Fish

Participatory

Over 12's, all abilities. Parents responsible for their children. Stable and easy to row in short sessions. We encourage fancy dress and singing on all trips! Come and share the experience of rowing a beautiful community-built traditional curragh on Belfast's own River Lagan.! There will be 6 sessions available lasting 30 minutes. 10 spaces available each session.

Lagan Currachs







AN INSIGHT TO TRAVELLING WOMEN IN NI Tuesday 13th March

11am - 1pm / Lúnasa Café, 44 King St.

Talk

An Munia Tober invite you to join in and get an insight into travelling culture in 2018.

Bryson House & AMT £: FREE



WOMEN & CHILDREN STORMONT TAKEOVER!

Wednesday 14th March

10:30am - 12.30pm / Stormont, Belfast

FREE BUS

DEPARTS: 10am / RETURNS: 1pm FROM: Windsor Women's Centre, Falls Women's Centre & Shankill Women's Centre

Family friendly political discussion

Parliament Buildings opens its doors for a family event encouraging women to feel more connected to politics. If you've never been to Stormont or told an MLA what you think, this is your chance!

With transport provided from 3 women's centres, a tour of Parliament Buildings, interactive politics table quiz, toddler friendly arts and crafts and a chance to grill an MLA over lunch — this is a women and children takeover not to be missed! Places must be booked in advance by signup sheet in reception at each women's centre. Any questions call Kellie at WRDA.

WRDA £: FREE

ENTITLED; THE ASSESSMENT Wednesday 14th March

7.30pm - 9.30pm / An Chulturlann, Falls Rd

Live Reading

Writer Fionnuala Kennedy, in partnership with Participation and Practice of Rights and An Chulturlann, will invite 3 actors to live read an assessment for PIP based on real life accounts.

£: FREE

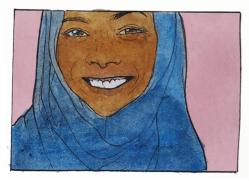
KIND TO WOMEN: HOW THE 1967 ABORTION ACT CHANGED OUR LIVES Wednesday 14th March

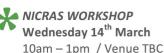
6.30pm – 8pm / Beanbag Cinema, Belfast

Documentary

Marking the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Abortion Act. In this moving documentary, women who survived illegal abortion, the nurses who picked up the pieces when things went wrong, campaigning doctors and abortion rights advocates share vivid memories of the time, and bring to life the story of this ground-breaking legislation and of a historic turning point for women's rights. Followed by Q&A with women featured in the film. Drinks reception with nibbles!

Book: https://1967abortionact.eventbrite





Social

Catch up with the work of NICRAS'. Some light snacks will be provided and a warm welcome.

NICRAS

£: FREE



Conference

This conference will feature workshops and round table discussing and includes a light lunch. All Welcome

Foyle Women's Info Network £: FREE



7pm – late / Black Box, Hill St. Belfast

Play

A rehearsed reading of *Entitled*, a play looking at the impact of Welfare Reform in a time of Tory cuts. The narrative created about people on benefits as being lazy, fat, scroungers stealing money from hard working people. Can it be challenged? That's up to us?

Greater North Belfast Women's Network £: TICKET ONLY

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ARTICHOKE PROCESSIONS 20 – 27th March

10am -1pm / Venue: TBC



Workshop

On the 6th of February 1918, the Representation of the People Act gave the first British women the right to vote, a landmark for women's equality and British democracy. One hundred years on, 14-18 NOW and Artichoke, the UK's largest producer of art in the public realm, invite women and girls across the nation to mark this moment by taking part in a major massparticipation artwork.

Text and textiles are at the heart of the project. In the months leading up to the processions, Reclaim the Agenda are inviting local women's groups to get involved. In a series of special commissions, 100 artists are working with community groups across the country to deliver expressive banners and iconic artworks that echo the artistic practices of the women's suffrage campaign and yet are grounded in women's experience today. PROCESSIONS also uses the history of female suffrage to inspire women to vote and stand for of office.

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BEING SEX WORK POSITIVE Thursday 22nd March

7pm -9pm / Golden Threads Gallery TBC

Talks/Panel Discussion

An event to promote awareness of sex work positive feminist and activist positions promoting healthy and open attitudes to sex work, and highlighting the important campaigns for decriminalization and worker protections and health care. Explore the difficult dynamics in feminism regarding sex work, and the often excluded voices and perspectives and rights abuses of female identifying sex workers.

Belfast Feminist Network

£: FREE



Shayna Gail A Velasquez

CROSS-COMMUNITY TRIP TO DUBLIN MUSEUMS



Date: TBC 9am -6 pm

Cultural trip

Bus will leave at 9 am, returning for 6 pm. Pick up from Greenway Women's Centre / Falls Women's Centre / Shankill Women's Centre. Places must be booked in advance through each centre. Greenways: 028 9079 9912, Shankill: 028 9024 0642 & Falls: 028 9032 7672

Falls Women's Centre £: FREE

JUDITH ORR ABORTION WARS Monday 5th March

1pm - 2.30pm / ICTU

Book Launch / Lecture

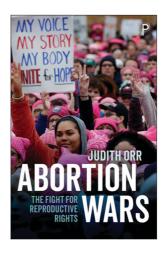
Judith Orr, author of Abortion Wars, the fight for reproductive rights published by Policy Press will be giving a lunchtime lecture at the Belfast launch of her book. In this hard-hitting book, Judith Orr, argues that it's time women had the right to control their fertility without the practical, legal and ideological barriers they have faced for generations.

A powerful first-hand accounts of women's experiences and a history of women's attempts to control their bodies. The book also highlights current debates over decriminalisation and argues for abortion provision fit for the 21st century.

Judith grew up in Northern Ireland and is a longtime campaigner for women's reproductive rights. She is an elected member of the executive committee of the national Abortion Rights campaign and has written two previous books: Marxism and Women's Liberation and Sexism and the System.

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