

International Women's Day



Join WomensActivism.NYC in celebrating International Women's Day by submitting the story of a woman who inspires you today! Her story will be permanently preserved by the Municipal Archives as part of our #herstory campaign.

Stories of the Month





Vitalina Koval

Vitalina Koval from Ukraine is one of those people who amaze you immediately with her sense of purpose and her bravery. Confident with who she is and what she believes is right, she always gets straight to the point. When she tells you she wants equality for everyone in her country, she means it and is determined to achieve it. "One day, I would like to see a Pride march in my home town [Uzhgorod, western Ukraine]", says Vitalina who is openly lesbian and actively involved in LGBTQ activism in Ukraine. In March 2018, Vitalina was attacked for speaking up for human rights at a protest held on International Women's Day in Ukraine. Learn more!

Gwendolyn Brooks

Gwendolyn Brooks is one of the most highly regarded, influential, and widely read poets of 20th-century American poetry. She was a much-honored poet, even in her lifetime, with the distinction of being the first Black author to win the Pulitzer Prize. She also was poetry consultant to the Library of Congress the first Black woman to hold that position-and poet laureate of the State of Illinois. Not only has she combined a strong commitment to racial identity and equality with a mastery of poetic techniques, but she has also managed to bridge the gap between the academic poets of her generation in the 1940s. Learn more!



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