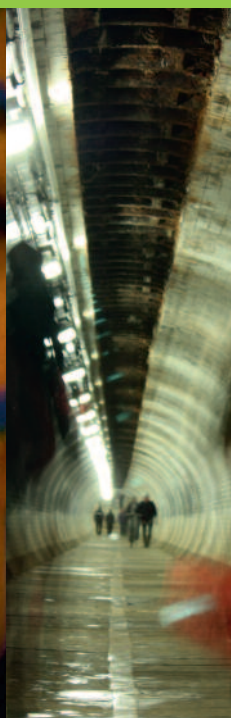


wise**words**

celebrating women writers, artists & performers
produced by alternative arts

March 2011
Women's History Month

www.alternativearts.co.uk



Spitalfields
Whitechapel



The LUXE
(BY THE BIRD)



RICHMIX



WISEWORDS COMEDY NIGHT

Friday 4 March 7.30pm Tkts £10/£8 concs
RICH MIX 020 7613 7498
35-47 Bethnal Green Road, Shoreditch E1 6LA
Liverpool St/Old St tube/Shoreditch Stn
www.richmix.org.uk

**Five of the finest female comics
celebrate comedy writing
at its most crucial
LUCY PORTER**

effin charm, killer delivery
AVA VIDAL

cool and composed
ROISIN CONATY

hilarious and distinctive
SUZI RUFFELL

wants to be cool ... but isn't

CARLY SMALLMAN

outrageous impropriety
*Come and celebrate
Women's History Month
and enjoy a great night out.
All welcome.*



Lucy Porter



Ava Vidal



Roisin Conaty



Suzi Ruffell



Carly Smallman

creative women including artists exhibiting paintings and photography, hand-made crafts, fashion designers, music and poetry, participatory workshops, fabulous food and great entertainment by the rocking **ELECTRIC LANDLADIES** with Sarah P/vocals, Laka D/vocals, keyboard, Diane McLoughlin/sax & keyboard, Deirdre Cartwright/guitar, Alison Rayner/bass, Ann Day/drums. Apply for a stand or stall to info@alternativearts.co.uk



WISEWORDS BOOKCLUB

THE LUXE Spitalfields 020 7101 1751
109 Commercial Street, E1 6BG Liverpool St tube
www.theluxe.co.uk

Hosted by publishers and women writers promoting new and recent works in a series of early evening soirées every Wednesday during March.

Wednesday 2 March 6.30pm FREE
ELIZABETH HAYNES, a police intelligence analyst, presents her first novel *INTO THE DARKEST CORNER* (Myraid Editions). Edgy and utterly convincing in its portrayal of obsession.

Wednesday 9 March 6.30pm FREE
CAROL DYHOUSE discusses her book *GLAMOUR: SOCIAL HISTORY, WOMEN AND FEMINISM* (Zed Books) examining with wit and insight the history and meaning of costume, cosmetics, perfume and fur.

Wednesday 16 March 6.30pm FREE
JAY MERRILL presents *Jay LIVE* (Salt Publishing) with authors **ELIZABETH BAINES, TANIA HERSHMAN, SUSANNAH RICKARDS, SARAH SALWAY** and **CATHERINE SMITH**. Salt Publishing is a leading independent publisher promoting award-winning poetry, fiction and literary criticism from around the world.

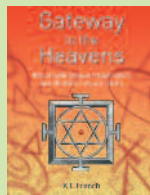
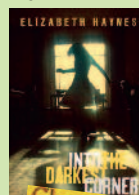
Wednesday 23 March 6.30pm FREE
GREY HEN PRESS presents an evening of exciting new work by older women with 10 of their best poets who say it with style.

Wednesday 30 March 6.30pm FREE
KAREN FRENCH discusses her book *GATEWAY TO THE HEAVENS* in which she expresses her lifelong passion for the simple patterns that underlie our lives.

3-31 March

Mon-Fri 8am-midnight, Sat & Sun 9.30am-midnight

HIDDEN TRAFFIC Exhibition of photography by **Catherine Dupuy** of underground London including the ghostly images of Greenwich underground foot tunnel with which she won the Photomonth Assignment Award 2010.



WISEWORDS OPEN MIC NIGHT

Thursday 10 March 7.30pm Adm £3 on door
(£2 for those doing floor spots)

VIBE LIVE @ THE VIBE BAR 020 7247 3479
Old Truman Brewery, 91 Brick Lane E1 6QL
Aldgate East/Liverpool St tube www.vibe-bar.co.uk

**Possessed by the spirit of poetry and itching to unveil
your oeuvre to a like-minded crowd?**

Then come on down – take the mic and flex your stanzas in the happening heart of Brick Lane, alongside host **Jo Overfield** and special guests **Catherine Brogan** and **Belinda Zhawi**. Leicester poet **Lydia Towsey** will also be performing an excerpt from her new show **The Venus Papers**.

Audience required too, so bring your mates to provide cheers, whoops etc.

Info www.applesandsnakes.org 020 8465 6154



Jo Overfield

Cat Brogan

Belinda Zhawi

Lydia Towsey

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S FAIR

Celebrating the centenary of International Women's Day

Saturday 12 March 10am – 5pm FREE

SPITALFIELDS TRADERS MARKET

Brushfield Street, E1 6AA Liverpool St tube
www.alternativearts.co.uk 020 7375 0441

**Artists, Books, Craftswomen, Designers, Performers,
Workshops, Women's Groups and Organisations.**

Come and celebrate with a wonderful collection of

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Human Rights Action Centre, 17-25 New Inn Yard, Shoreditch EC2A 3EA Liverpool St/Old St tube www.amnesty.org.uk 020 7033 1544

Wednesday 9 March 7pm FREE

HURRIED STEPS by **Dacia Maraini**, translated by Sharon Wood, directed by Nicolette Kay. Written in association with Amnesty International by Italy's foremost playwright and advocate of women's rights, this powerful hour-long play tells the true stories of women from around the world who have been victims of violence. Followed by discussion and audience Q&A.

Tuesday 15 March 7pm FREE

PINK SARIS Directed by **Kim Longinotto** (96mins)

Amnesty International UK's Women's Action Network hosts a screening of this film about Sampat Pal's all-women vigilante Gulabi Gang followed by a discussion on women's rights in India with acclaimed director Kim Longinotto.



CANARY WHARF WINDOW GALLERIES

Canary Wharf Retail Mall, E14 5AB Canary Wharf tube www.mycanarywharf.com 020 7418 2257

Open daily 7am-11pm

27 February-25 March

Design Window, Jubilee Walk

JO THORNE

Innovatory hair accessory designer

30 January-25 March

Fine Art Window, Canada Walk

FRANCISCA PRIETO

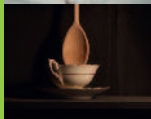
Experiments with typography

27 February-29 April

Lightbox Window, Canada Walk

KATHY TAYLOR

Installation exploring links with London Docklands, The East India Co and postcolonial culture.



CLIMATE WEEK

21-27 March

Get involved with Climate Week www.climateweek.com



EXILED WRITERS

RAILROAD Café-Restaurant

120 Morning Lane, E9 6LH Bus 106, 254, 48, 55 stop at Hackney Town Hall. www.exiledwriters.co.uk

Thursday 24 March 7.30pm

£4 entrance plus cost of food

FOOD FOR THE BODY AND MIND

with Exiled Women Poets & Writers

Rahila Khalwa from Japan, **Nigar**

Hasan-Zadeh from Azerbaijan and

Mehrangiz Rassapour from Iran.

Booking essential

Jennifer@exiledwriters.fsnet.co.uk



HACKNEY CENTRAL LIBRARY & MUSEUM

1 Reading Lane, E8 1GQ Hackney Central Stn

www.hackney.gov.uk 020 8356 2542

1-15 March Mon-Fri 10am-6pm Sat 9am-5pm FREE

ALIX EDWARDS Photography exhibition of vibrant colourful macro images.

Saturday 12 March 11am-1pm FREE

HACKNEY HEROINES HAT WORKSHOP Meet Victorian Milliner **Eliza Wright** and learn how to make your own fascinator. Booking essential hmuseum@hackney.gov.uk 2.30pm-4.30pm FREE

HACKNEY HEROINES HISTORY WALK Join **Rachel Kolsky** and discover famous Hackney women from Mary Wollstonecraft to Marie Lloyd. Meet outside Hackney Central Overground. Booking essential. linda.sydown.gov.uk

OUTSIDE WORLD

44 Redchurch St E2 7DP Liverpool St/Old St tube

www.the-outside-world.co.uk 07814 430852

10-16 March 12noon-6pm or by appointment

SHE SAID Group show celebrating the joy of text in mixed media exploring words in all their forms by up to twelve women artists including **Catie Halpin**, **Julieta Hernandez** and **Jemma Foster**.

19-20 March 1pm-6pm

DANIELLE HODSON winner of the Kostler/Outside In Award 2010. Paintings & works by ex-prisoner Danielle exploring her journey of emancipation.

24-29 March 12noon-6pm

SACHISTYLING Pop Up Shop by fashion designer **Sachi Loggia**.



PAYNESHURVELL

16 Hewett Street (off Curtain Rd) EC2A 3NN Old St tube

www.payneshurvell.com 020 0011 4115

4 March-2 April Wed-Sat 11am-6pm

CAST Aidan McNeill explores perceptions of spectacle in the context of staged action and repetition with large-scale photographic work and

video produced during a live West End performance for her first solo show at the gallery.



TOWER HAMLETS IDEA STORES

www.ideastore.co.uk

Text and photos from reminiscence workshops run by **Caroline Gilfillan** exhibited throughout March alongside displays of books to celebrate Women's History Month. For more info contact Barbara.Stretch@towerhamlets.gov.uk

Thursday 3 March

IDEA STORE Bow 10am-12noon screening of *BOW BELLES* a film about a group of older women by **Hi8tus**.

BETHNAL GREEN LIBRARY 6.30pm **Jessica Francis Kane** talks about *THE REPORT* a novel based around the Bethnal Green tube disaster which had a high number of female deaths. For more info contact Richard.Bolt@towerhamlets.gov.uk

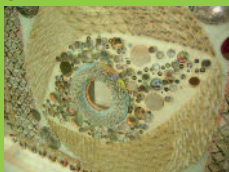
V&A MUSEUM OF CHILDHOOD

Cambridge Heath Road, E2 9PA Bethnal Green tube
www.museumofchildhood.org.uk 020 8983 5235

Until 12 June Open daily 10am-5.45pm FREE

SENSE OF PLACE Thurlie Wright worked with

Steven Follen and artists from Bangladesh and India on an international exchange project to produce work inspired by the museum's collection and with local children from Redlands Primary School and Central Foundation School for Girls.



EXHIBITIONS open Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm

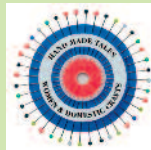
Thurs until 8pm Sat 10am-4pm

HAND MADE TALES:

Women and Domestic Crafts

Until 20 April FREE

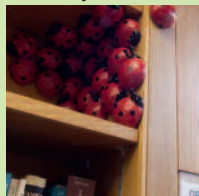
Providing an insight into the crafts practised by women over the past hundred years.



CRAFTED FOOTNOTES

Until 26 March FREE

Nicola Malkin has created her own versions of domestic items inspired by personal letters, literature and photographs found in The Women's Library collections.



EVENTS

Thursday 3 March 7pm FREE

ARTISTS TOUR of Crafted Footnotes with Nicola Malkin exploring her wonderfully created pieces in unexpected places.

Sunday 6 March 11am

(120mins) £10

WONDERFUL WOMEN OF WHITECHAPEL AND SPITALFIELDS

Join **Rachel Kolsky** and visit sites associated with women who have defined Whitechapel and Spitalfields. From Eva Luckes and Edith Cavell to Annie Besant, Mary Hughes and Miriam Moses and the modern creativity of Monica Ali and Tracey Emin. Advance booking essential.

Tuesday 8 March 7pm £8/£6 concessions

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY LECTURE

History and the Women's Movement – Krista Cowman

To mark 100 years of International Women's Day this talk in collaboration with Women's History Network looks at some of the ways in which history has featured in the British Women's Movement.

Wednesday 9 March 12noon-2pm, by invitation

WOMEN'S CRAFT EXCHANGE

Local women's groups come together to celebrate a wide range of crafts and pass on their skills to each other.

Saturday 12 March 12pm, 1.30pm, 3pm (30mins) FREE

TOURS Celebrating the centenary of International Women's Day

As part of the **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S FAIR** in the nearby Spitalfields Traders Market pop down to see the highlights of the Women's Library collections, with tours of the current Hand Made Tales exhibition, and a chance to look at materials from the archives.



WHITECHAPEL GALLERY

77-82 Whitechapel High Street E1 7QX Aldgate East tube
www.whitechapelgallery.org 020 7522 7888

Tues-Sun 11am-6pm Thurs until 9pm FREE

Until 6 March Gallery 7

MONA HATOUM:

Current Disturbance

A room-filling environment made from stacked wire cages, light bulbs and the amplified sound of electric currents.



Until 18 March Galleries 8 & 9

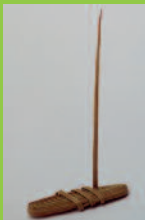
BETHAN HUWS: Capelgwyn

From a tiny sailing boat made from a single reed to raising half the gallery floor by 17.5cm, the artist is interested in subtly altering our experience of space to create sites for contemplation.

Until 2 May Gallery 2

CLAIRE BARCLAY: Shadow Spans

Installation inspiring live dance performances by outstanding British choreographers.



WOMEN'S ART LIBRARY

Mapping the Women's Art Library is an ongoing project excavating the contents of the archive of the library that started in the late 1970s as a grass roots feminist artists organisation.

<http://mappingwal.wordpress.com/> and

http://www.a-n.co.uk/artists_talking/projects/single/837659

THE WOMEN'S LIBRARY

London Metropolitan University, Old Castle Street E1 7NT

Aldgate East tube www.thewomenslibrary.co.uk

Bookings: moreinfo@thewomenslibrary.ac.uk

020 7320 2222

Wisewords is produced by alternative arts

Top Studio, Montefiore Centre, Hanbury Street E1 5HZ +44(0)20 375 0441 info@alternativearts.co.uk www.alternativearts.co.uk

Wisewords is supported by Tower Hamlets Council, Spitalfields, Amnesty International, The Luxe, The Women's Library at London Metropolitan University, Yelp, Whitechapel Gallery, Rich Mix, Alternative Arts.