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March is Women's History Month

Come see the books on display by award-winning women authors as the Newton Gresham Library honors Women's History Month. Even better, come check some out!



Read about a life different from your own!

These books are available in the library at the bolded call number

The End of Manners by Francesca Marciano. **PR 9120.9. M36 E53** Maria Galante, an Italian photojournalist, is persuaded to go to Afghanistan to write a story on Afghan women who attempt suicide in order to avoid arranged marriages.

Minaret by Leila Aboulela. **PR6051 .B68 M56** A Khartoum teen, Najwa flees to London with her mother and brother when the coup of 1985 leads to her father's arrest and execution. With her mother soon dead and her brother in jail, Najwa attempts to negotiate work, love and the ways they get twisted around emigré politics—and religion.

Dream Jungle by Jessica Tarahata Hagedorn. **P53558 .A3228 D74** Hagedorn fictionalizes the infamous 1970s alleged discovery of a lost Stone Age tribe by a wealthy, well-connected, and untrustworthy playboy.

Brick Lane by Monica Ali. **PR6101 .L45 B75** In Pakistan, Nazneen's younger sister, the beautiful Hasina, elopes, and the quiet, plain Nazneen is married off to an older man. The author begins a meticulous exploration of Nazneen's life in London, where her husband, Chanu, has taken her to live. Chanu fancies himself a frustrated intellectual and continually expounds upon the "tragedy of immigration" to his young wife, while letters from downtrodden Hasina provide a contrast to idealized memories of Bangladesh.



Click on any of the boxed links to take you to the listed website or article to learn more about famous women and Women's History Month!

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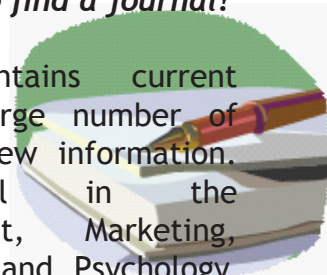
[Barack Obama's press release on Women's History Month](#)



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LIBRARIANS PRESENT ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Earlier this spring, librarians Abe Korah, Eric Elmore, and Erin Cassidy presented at the Electronic Resources and Libraries 2008 conference at UCLA in Los Angeles, California. The presentation focused on data from an international survey of libraries which investigated trends in electronic reference book ("e-Ref") purchase, usage, policies, and marketing. Korah, Elmore, and Cassidy had conducted the survey, along with their colleague Ann Jera-bek, in 2007.

The survey was completed by librarians at more than 250 libraries around the world, incorporating many library settings and librarians in different positions with varying levels of experience (more than half had worked in libraries for over 10 years). Analysis of the findings showed, among other things, that the purchase of e-Ref books is increasing in most libraries, but that collection development and acquisition policies which address these materials are still sorely lacking.

The conference presentation aimed to describe the study's findings and discuss the future of e-Ref. Issues addressed included pricing structures, the shift to subscription models, licensing terms, digital rights management (DRM), inconsistencies in platform standards, archival rights, and the digitization of content with questionable value or functionality in electronic format.

The four co-authors are now seeking publication of an article based on their research.

by Erin Cassidy

Did you miss the Lincoln display? Read about it here!



Our 16th president, Abraham Lincoln, was born February 12, 1809. Newton Gresham Library celebrated the 200th anniversary of the birth of, arguably, our nation's greatest president. Lincoln was president from 1861 – 1865 when he led the country through the American Civil war. He wrote and delivered his Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, then promoted the passage of the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which passed Congress before his death and was ratified by the states later in 1865 to end slavery. He was the first Republican president and the first president to be assassinated.

The display featured a banner and numerous books, covering everything from his assassination on April 15, 1865, to his medical conditions, to his speeches and letters. More books have been written on Lincoln than any other U. S. president. A lot of new books were published in advance of the 200th celebration and have been added to the library's collection. Come to the library and check out some Lincoln history.

by Marsha Dickens