MONDAY 2 – SUNDAY 8 MARCH
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY 2020
EVENTS GUIDE

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#EachforEqual
## WHAT’S ON

### All week 2-6 March
Leicester Wall of Women

### Monday 2 March
Women’s Only - Learn to Lift

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### Wednesday 4 March
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Soapbox Speakers
100 Years of Women in Law: Women on the Jury in Leicester after 1919

### Thursday 5 March
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Medical Women in History Seminar
Pioneers and Activists: Inspiring Medical Women, 1879-1948

### Friday 6 March
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Coffee and Cake with an Inspirational Woman
Preventing Cancer - A Journey through drugs, hamburgers and wine
Common Salt, Sheila Ghelani and Sue Palmer

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Global Progress in TB Vaccine Development

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There is no Smoke without Fire - The First Trial of Ada Summers JP

### Saturday 7 March-Sunday 28 June
Kelly Richardson: Mariner 9

## DEAR STUDENTS AND COLLEAGUES

We are once again delighted to be hosting a range of celebratory and thought-provoking events throughout the week of International Women’s Day (IWD) at the University of Leicester. IWD is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action to advancing gender equality in every dimension of human life. As part of the University of Leicester’s commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI), the University marks IWD every year with a series of events for staff, students and the wider community.

These events are a time for unity, celebration, reflection, advocacy, self-care and action. IWD means different things to different people, but the global focus on equality and celebration is clear. The theme of this year’s IWD is #EachForEqual. This theme recognises that we must celebrate women’s achievement, raise awareness against bias and take action for equality, not only on IWD but every day. At the University of Leicester we are encouraging all staff and students to make a difference, thinking globally and acting locally in ensuring that the future for all is inclusive, safe and rewarding.

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**Professor Henrietta O’Connor**
Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Head of the College of Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY 2020

I wouldn’t have always described myself as an activist but I’ve always described myself as an organiser. In my current role as Wellbeing Case Manager and lead of the Standing Together initiative (www.le.ac.uk/standing-together), I have had the privilege of being able to follow the University’s response to sexual violence from a collection of awareness activities in 2017 to, now in 2020, a team of trained responders and Case Workers who provide holistic ongoing support to victim/survivors and manage a diary of regular events and training opportunities. Please don’t be mistaken, there is so much more to do but I believe this progress has mirrored a general concerted effort from the University to recognise and tackle inequalities and discrimination at every level.

While there is often a time to fight and challenge, I see International Women’s Day as a time to reflect on and celebrate the women in our lives who are fighting, challenging and agitating every day, particularly women at the intersection of other protected characteristics such as sexuality, race and ability. In my seventh year at the University of Leicester (having had three as a Student, one as a Students’ Union Executive Officer, and two and a half working in the University), I am delighted and honoured to have been recognised as ‘Equalities Champion’. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow feminist activists and organisers for all that they do, at the University and much further afield – you are truly wonderful.

Harriet Smailes
Wellbeing Case Manager and Standing Together Lead
LEICESTER WALL OF WOMEN

ALL WEEK 2-6 MARCH

Leicester’s Wall of Women is back, having received a Good Practice award for last year’s inspirational wall of women. As inspired by Nottingham Trent University, a wall is being created at the University of Leicester to mark its inspirational women on International Women’s Day. Staff and students are encouraged to nominate women at the University who have influenced or inspired them. Look out for pop-up walls around campus too!

For further information, contact Turi King at tek2@le.ac.uk

Times: 10.00am-4.00pm
Venue: Percy Gee Building Foyer
Students Union - all week
Open to staff and students
WOMEN’S ONLY - LEARN TO LIFT
MONDAY 2 MARCH

This will be the perfect opportunity for any new gym user to learn the correct lifting techniques for lifts such as bench press, squat, deadlift etc. Our trained fitness advisors will also be on hand to provide any additional support needed, whether that be how to use other pieces of the gym equipment or finding the right gym programme for you.

Simply turn up in suitable clothing and footwear.

Time: 5.30pm-6.15pm, 6.15pm-7.00pm
Venue: Danielle Brown Sports Centre
Free event
Open to staff and students
No booking needed
Screening of the all-female re-make of 1980s film Ghostbusters starring Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig, Kate McKinnon, Leslie Jones, and Chris Hemsworth.

Following a ghost invasion of Manhattan, paranormal enthusiasts Dr Erin Gilbert (Wiig) and Dr Abby Yates (McCarhthy), nuclear engineer Dr Jillian Holtzmann (McKinnon), and subway worker Patty Tolan (Jones) band together to stop the otherworldly threat.

**Time:** 5.00pm-7.00pm  
**Venue:** Bennett Building LT2  
**Free event**  
**Open to staff and students**  
**No booking needed**
WOMEN’S FORUM MEETING

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

International Women’s Week is the perfect time to have a taster of our Women’s Forum on Wednesday 04 March at 12.30pm. Join us for an informal chat about who we are, our history and what we do to support each other at the institution.

The Women’s Forum supports the work and careers of women at the University of Leicester. There are still a range of women-specific challenges in higher education that result in women not participating and advancing their careers on an equal footing with men. The Women’s Forum was set up in 2014 and continues to exist today.

Time: 12.30pm-1.30pm
Venue: Physics F11
Free event
Open to staff only
No booking needed

SOAPBOX SPEAKERS

WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

Soapbox speakers will feature women from around the University talking about who they are, what they do and the contribution they make to our University, whether this is as a captain of a sports team, president of a student society, part of professional services, a researcher or an academic! One woman, one box, 5 minutes, one huge contribution.

Time: 12.30pm-4.00pm
Venue: Students Union
Free event
Open to staff and students
VC visiting
This paper will explore the practical consequences of the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act 1919 on the jury system in Leicester. Leicester was unusual in being one of ten cities which were not required to observe the property qualifications (qualifications which excluded many women from juries even after 1919), until this discretion was abolished at the end of 1920. Leicester is also unusual in having fairly good records of the jurors who were called to serve during the interwar period. This makes it possible to construct a detailed account of exactly how the institution functioned in the years after women were first added to the lists of people qualified to serve. Leicester seems to have been more relaxed than many other places about admitting women to its juries after 1919, and in 1920 every jury deciding cases at the city’s assizes was made up of six women and six men. Even after 1920, the officials operating Leicester’s courts appear to have been more relaxed than people working at other comparable local jurisdictions about having women on their juries. This paper will draw out some of the details of what all this actually meant in practice, and will situate Leicester within a broader context of practices elsewhere in England and Wales at this time.

**100 YEARS OF WOMEN IN LAW**

**WOMEN ON THE JURY IN LEICESTER AFTER 1919**

**WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH**

Time: 2.00pm-4.00pm  
Venue: Room 164, Law School, Fielding Johnson building  
Free event  
Open to UoL staff, students and public  
If you wish to attend contact:  
Pascale Lorber (pmml1@le.ac.uk) and  
Steven Cammiss (sc293@le.ac.uk)
WOMEN’S ONLY GYM
THURSDAY 5 MARCH

An opportunity to train with likeminded females in a separate gym facility with a female instructor. The trained instructor will be on hand to help you through any exercises and help build a programme suited to your needs.

Simply turn up in suitable clothing and footwear.

Time: 6.00pm-7.30pm
Venue: Danielle Brown Sports Centre
Students only
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Time: 1.00pm-4.00pm
Venue: Students Union
Free event
Open to staff and students
MEDICAL WOMEN IN HISTORY SEMINAR
THURSDAY 5 MARCH

PIONEERS AND ACTIVISTS:
INSPIRING MEDICAL WOMEN, 1879-1948

SPEAKER:
SOPHIE ALMOND, UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER

Talk with questions/discussion afterwards

In 1879, there were only fourteen women on the British medical register. Medical women fought prejudice and preconceptions to prove themselves as capable practitioners, with many becoming leaders in their respective fields. This event will provide insight into some of the inspiring women doctors who were active in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and will trace the evolution of the position of women in medicine during this period.

Time: 12.30pm-1.30pm
Venue: George Davies Centre, Room 0.31
Open to staff and students

Tea and coffee will be provided
For more information contact
clsathenaswan@le.ac.uk
www.le.ac.uk/iwd-events
GENDER IMPLICATIONS OF BREXIT

FRIDAY 6 MARCH

The Leicester Law School will be hosting three speakers to assess the consequences affecting women following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union (commonly known by the portmanteau Brexit).

SPEAKERS:

Adam Cygan
A professor of EU law, who has Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) funding to consider the impact of Brexit on governance.

Oxana Golynker
An expert on EU law and citizenship.

Eugenia Caracciolo di Torella
An expert on non-discrimination who has been commissioned work for the European Commission on questions related on gender equality and work life balance.

The presentation will take 15 minutes each followed by Q&A.

Time: 11.00am-12.00pm
Venue: Astley Clarke LG03
Open to staff and students

Booking required please email equalities@le.ac.uk

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100 YEARS OF WOMEN IN LAW

FRIDAY 6 MARCH

To celebrate 100 years of women magistrate, the Leicester Magistrate Association will launch its project Making Women Magistrates. This will be followed by a conversation with current women magistrates on their role and challenges.

Time: 12.00pm-1.00pm
Venue: Moot Court Room, Law School
Open to staff and students
COFFEE AND CAKE WITH AN INSPIRATIONAL WOMAN

FRIDAY 6 MARCH

As part of the Inspirational Woman’s Week celebrations, bring your inspirational woman to the Graduate Lounge between 12.00pm and 3.00pm on Friday 06 March and purchase a tea/coffee and cake for just £3.00.

Use the time to meet, catch up and celebrate the inspirational women in your lives.

Time: 12.00pm-3.00pm  
Venue: Graduate Lounge  
Open to all staff, students and public

Limited vouchers, booking required, please email equalities@le.ac.uk

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PREVENTING CANCER – A JOURNEY THROUGH DRUGS, HAMBURGERS AND WINE

FRIDAY 6 MARCH

Public Lecture by Professor Karen Brown of the Leicester Cancer Research Centre about her life and her research. Professor Karen Brown will discuss the development of her career and tell us how she became interested in cancer. She will describe some of her research work and how she hopes to be able to translate this into therapy.

Time: 4.00pm-6.00pm  
Venue: Bennett Lecture Theatre 1  
Open to all staff, students and public
COMMON SALT
SHEILA GHELANI AND SUE PALMER
FRIDAY 6 MARCH

Common Salt is a performance around a table – a ‘show and tell’. It explores the colonial, geographical history of England and India taking an expansive and emotional time-travel, from the first Enclosure Act and the start of the East India Company in the 1600s, to 21st century narratives of trade, race and culture.

Sue and Sheila activate insights into our shared past, laying out a ‘home museum’ of objects and stories; of the Great Hedge of India, of borders, and collections – all accompanied by original Shruti box laments

Time: 4.00pm-5.30pm, 7.00pm-8.30pm
Venue: Attenborough Arts Centre
£10 / £5 concessions / £30 Family of four
Suitable for ages 14+

Open to staff, students and public
Booking required
Nearly 100 years ago scientists developed a vaccine for tuberculosis (TB). Today, there are 10 million new cases worldwide and 1.6 million deaths from the disease every year. Increasingly, these cases are becoming difficult to treat as the bug that causes the disease can be resistant to antibiotics.

However, several new TB vaccines are under development and there is growing optimism that a new vaccine will emerge, says Helen McShane, Professor of Vaccinology at Oxford University. This could save millions of lives, but more work is needed to reassure the general public that vaccines are safe and effective.
In 2006, Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb became the first Asian woman to be appointed a Junior Treasury Counsel, a small, elite cadre of independent barristers trusted with the most serious and sensitive prosecutions in the country and she subsequently became the third woman ever to become a Senior Treasury Counsel. In 2007, she became a Recorder, and in 2013 she took Silk, being appointed a Queen’s Counsel (QC). In 2015, Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb broke down barriers for women across the UK, by becoming the first Asian woman appointed to the Queen’s Bench Division of the High Court of Justice of England and Wales.

Throughout her career, Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb has acted in a number of exceptionally high-profile cases, involving extensive media coverage. These include the prosecutions of retired Church of England Bishop, Peter Ball, for sexual abuse, and of barrister and Recorder Constance Briscoe for perverting the course of justice. In 2018, Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb presided over the trial of Darren Osborne, the Finsbury Park terror attacker.
GLOBAL CAFÉ

THURSDAY 12 MARCH

We’re celebrating International Women’s Day at our regular Global Café – a chance to make friends, celebrate different cultures, and enjoy fun activities, within a friendly and welcoming environment.

Time: 5.00pm-7.00pm
Venue: Chi Café
Students only
100 YEARS OF WOMEN IN LAW
THERE IS NO SMOKE WITHOUT FIRE -
THE FIRST TRIAL OF ADA SUMMERS JP

SATURDAY 14 MARCH

A dramatization of the first trial that was presided over by a female Justice on 31st December 1919 (7 days after the Sex Discrimination (Removal) Act was passed). Ada dealt with 3 chimney fires (a serious offence in those days) on that day. There are three performances of the trail, each session will last for about an hour and the audience will be asked to consider whether the defendant is guilty or not.

Time:  
11.30am-12.30pm, 1.30pm-2.30pm, 3.30pm-4.30pm  
Booking required, first come, first serve basis  
Tickets are free and are being allocated by Liz Mitchell - telephone 07752110419 or email Liz_riley5@hotmail.com to reserve seats

Venue: Leicester Town Hall Court House  
Open to staff, students and public
Mariner 9 (2012) presents a video of panoramic view of the Mars landscape hundreds of years in the future, littered with the rusting remains of various missions to the planet. Created with software used by the film and gaming industries, and using data from NASA’s missions to Mars, Richardson has created a realistic representation of the Mars landscape covered by the debris of centuries of exploration. Despite the apparent abandoned state of the planet, some of the spacecraft continue to work, looking for signs of life.

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**KELLY RICHARDSON: MARINER 9**

**SATURDAY 7 MARCH - SUNDAY 28 JUNE**

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**Time:**
- **Tuesday – Friday**, 12.00pm-6.00pm
- **Saturday**, 10.00am-5.00pm
- **Sunday**, 12.00pm-4.00pm

**Venue:** Attenborough Arts

**Open to staff, students and public**

**Saturday 7 March**
- **Exhibition Launch**
- **5:30pm-7:30pm** *(free drink provided)*
- **Open to staff, students and public**