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THE FEMINIST FACTOR

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THROUGH APRIL

Joan Jett and the Blackhearts Want to rock out with the iconic feminist and her band? Check dates and locations where they're playing near you [1]. www.joanjett.com

FEBRUARY 24-MARCH 31

"Jackie"

New York City

Women's Project presents the North American premiere of Austrian playwright and Nobel Prize winner Elfriede Jelinek's theatrical portrayal of Jacqueline Kennedy [2] and the myths surrounding her public persona. www.jackieoffbroadway.com

MARCH

Women's History Month

This year's theme, "Women Inspiring Innovation Through Imagination: Celebrating Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics," honors those forging a path in male-dominated STEM fields. www.nwhp.org/whm/index.php

MARCH 1

Women of Color Day

For more than 20 years, this day has honored the contributions and celebrated the history of women of color across all ethnic, racial, cultural and religious lines. www.womenofcolorday.com

MARCH 4-15

U.N. Commission on the Status of Women New York City U.N. officials and human-rights experts will outline solutions for the prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls. www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/57sess.htm

MARCH 7

Premiere of *Girl Rising*Nationwide

On this day, 10x10's global action campaign for girls' education will release *Girl Rising*, a feature film about the power of education and the human spirit to change the world. Contact the campaign to screen the film at your local theater [3]. www.10x10act.org/girl-rising

MARCH 7-10

The Portland Oregon Women's Film Festival

POWFest highlights women directors, showcasing the work of both emerging filmmakers and "heavyweights" such as Kathryn Bigelow and Amy Heckerling. www.powfest.com

MARCH 8

International Women's Day

This year's theme is "The Gender Agenda: Gaining Momentum." Find an event in your community where you can celebrate the economic, political and social achievements of women.

www.internationalwomens day.com

MARCH 10

National Day of Appreciation for Abortion Providers

Mark the 20th anniversary of the







murder of abortion provider Dr. David Gunn by supporting the health-care professionals who dedicate their lives to providing safe abortion care. www.prochoice.org

MARCH 15-SEPTEMBER 15

"Workt by Hand" Elizabeth Sackler Center for Feminist Art, Brooklyn Museum Brooklyn

This exhibit displays more than 30 quilt masterpieces, analyzing how feminist scholarship has impacted the interpretation of historical quilts.

www.brooklynmuseum.org

MARCH 20 Back Up Your Birth Control Day

In addition to your regular form of birth control, make sure you have access to emergency contraception—just in case. And help raise awareness that EC is safe and effective.

www.backupyourbirthcontrol.org

MARCH 23-25

National Young Feminist Leadership Conference Washington, D.C.

College students: Find out how you can impact local and global issues, and discuss such topics as abortion access, mobilizing the youth vote, LGBTQ rights and more. There will also be a Capitol Hill visit day, where participants can meet with members of Congress and staff. www.feministcampus.org/ leadership

MARCH 29

Language, Sexual Violence & Tools for Better Media Coverage, DePaul **University Student Center** Chicago

Produced by the Chicago Taskforce on Violence Against Girls and Young Women and Chicago's Rape Victim Advocates, this evening covers gender-based violence in the media and issues surrounding sexual violence.

www.womenactionmedia.org

APRIL 4-6

Global Discourses in Women's and Gender Studies: An Interdisciplinary Conference Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Keynoted by Lilly Ledbetter, this conference focuses on social justice in relation to women and gender, and how global forces affect women's and other gendered experiences. www.mtsu.edu/womenstu

APRIL 6-7

Through Women's Eyes International Film Festival Sarasota, Fla.

The 14th annual event includes full-length and short films that increase awareness of women's lives throughout the world. www.throughwomenseyes.com

APRIL 7-9

YTH Live Youth + Tech + **Health Conference** San Francisco

This yearly conference centers on youth sexual health and

technology, bringing together health and tech professionals with youth, parents and community leaders. http://ythlive.org

APRIL 7-13

Meet Us on the Street: International Anti-Street Harassment Week

Join thousands in a worldwide effort to end gender-based harassment by taking to the streets. Participate in marches to reclaim public spaces and stop street violence [4]. www.meetusonthestreet.org

APRIL 9 **Equal Pay Day**

Initiated by the National Committee on Pay Equity, this day illustrates the gap between men's and women's wages. Wear red today to symbolize how women and minorities are still "in the red" with their pay. www.pay-equity.org/day.html

APRIL 12-14

From Abortion Rights to Social Justice: Building the Movement for Reproductive Freedom Hampshire College Amherst, Mass.

Activists from across the U.S. and around the world will discuss reproductive justice and social change and how these movements are linked to those for economic, social and gender equality.

clpp.hampshire.edu/ conference

APRIL 19 LGBTQ+ Day of Silence

This student-led national event brings attention to anti-LGBT name-calling and bullying in schools. Refrain from speaking today to illustrate the silencing effect of harassment on LGBT students [5].

www.dayofsilence.org

APRIL 22

Feminist Majority Foundation Global Women's Rights Awards Beverly Hills, Calif.

Hosted by Mavis and Jay Leno, the annual event honors individuals who advance women's rights around the world. Prior awardees include Christiane Amanpour, Dolores Huerta and Nobel laureate Aung San Suu Kyi [6]. www.feminist.org/calendar/

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APRIL 25

Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

Today, inspire and bond with your kids by taking them to work. www.daughtersandsons towork.org

APRIL 29

First Annual Global Women's Rights Awards Luncheon Palo Alto, Calif.

Ms. and the Feminist Majority Foundation will honor individuals who work to empower women and girls and increase awareness of gender injustices.

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