



Women's History Month

Cape Cod Community College - March 2018

All events are free to the public. Please note times and locations.

THURSDAY MARCH 1 White Ribbon Day Observance

Grossman Cafeteria

Join Public Safety, Campus Life, Student Senate, and other community partners in taking the public pledge to be part of the solution in ending violence against women and all gender-based violence. This year's White Ribbon Day observance at 4Cs is also paired with Time's Up, a movement against sexual harassment. Show your commitment to both causes by wearing black (Time's Up) and white (White Ribbon Day) on March 1. Help us transform the cafeteria into a powerful visual representation of our commitment to ending sexual harassment and gender-based violence by filling the space with black and white balloons. Write your message of support on a balloon and fly it high in solidarity with others.

Campus Event

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6 Ashley Bendiksen - Difficult Dialogues-Domestic Violence

Lorusso Solarium

Come experience this powerful presentation on overcoming adversity, domestic violence, and violence against women. From hopelessness to unbreakable optimism, from silent to powerfully heard, from fearful, to fearless, from victim to advocate, from college dropout to Valedictorian, Ashley shares a story of how someone who has experienced abuse can go on to achieve remarkable heights. Representatives of Independence House in Hyannis will be available for conversation/support following Ashley's presentation. Refreshments will be served.

Presentation

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7 Artist's Legacy: Ann Hobson Pilot and the Sound of Change

Grossman Upper Commons Television Lounge

This program profiles the inspirational life and distinguished career of the revered harpist. This compelling documentary follows Ann Hobson Pilot's trailblazing journey as the first black female principal player in a major symphony orchestra and also as an international soloist, teacher, mentor and driving force behind music-education programs for underserved minorities. A HARPIS'T'S LEGACY uses her professional journey to explore the increasing racial diversity and shift in attitudes toward musicians of color in the classical music world.

Video Presentation

2:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 8 Mary Lou Williams: The Lady Who Swings The Band

Lorusso Solarium

Mary Lou Williams (1910-1981), an innovative and prolific jazz pianist, composer and arranger, created some of the most sophisticated big-band hits for Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington and other popular orchestras of the 1930s. Away from the piano, she defied expectations - as a woman in a "man's world," as a black person in a whites-only society, and as a non-conforming creative genius in an image-driven industry. In telling her story, the film follows the trajectory of jazz through the lens of a pioneering African-American female instrumentalist. The documentary unfolds through Williams' words taken from unpublished manuscripts, oral histories and media interviews. Interviews with scholars, friends and fellow musicians - including Geri Allen, Carmen Lundy, Hank Jones, Billy Taylor, Terri Lyne Carrington, and Esperanza Spalding- place Williams' personal story within a larger context.

Video Presentation

2:00 p.m.

Tuesday March 20 Makers: Women in Space

Lorusso Solarium

Trace the history of women pioneers in the U.S. space program. Some, like aviators Wally Funk and Jerrie Cobb, passed the same grueling tests as male astronauts, only to be dismissed by NASA, the military and even Lyndon Johnson, as a distraction. It wasn't until 1995 that Eileen Collins became the first woman to pilot a spacecraft. The program includes interviews with Collins, as well as Sally Ride's classmates Shannon Lucid, Rhea Seddon and Kathryn Sullivan, and features Mae Jemison, the first woman of color astronaut, and Peggy Whitson, the first female commander of the International Space Station. The hour ends with the next generation of women engineers, mathematicians and astronauts-the new group of pioneers, like Marleen Martinez and Dava Newman, who continue to make small but significant steps forward.

Video Presentation

2:00 p.m.

Tuesday March 27 Makers: Women in Business

Lorusso Solarium

Hear about the exceptional women - past and present - who have taken the world of business by storm. Told by female business leaders themselves, this is a candid exploration of what it takes to make it and a celebration of the extraordinary individuals who, over the course of 50 years, have proven - on Wall Street, in corporate America or business empires of their own - that a woman's place is wherever she believes it to be. Some of the featured business leaders include Ursula Burns, the CEO of Xerox and the first African-American woman to head a Fortune 500 company; Sallie Krawcheck, Wall Street powerhouse and current owner of the global networking platform for women, 85 Broads; Cathy Hughes, radio and television personality and the first African-American woman to head a publicly traded corporation; lifestyle mogul and business magnate Martha Stewart; and Sheryl Sandberg, COO of Facebook, whose provocative book, Lean In, ignited a national conversation about women, feminism and equality in the workplace.

Video Presentation

2:00 p.m.

Our border honors a number of women of Cape Cod, and women with long associations to the Cape. It was compiled from information gathered by the Cape Cod Women's Heritage Project Biography Research Committee.

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