

Chatham Community Library to host "Focus on Women" Film Series

The Chatham Community Library will host a four-part film series entitled "Focus on Women" beginning on Thursday, March 8th, at 1 p.m. The kick-off coincides with [International Women's Day](#) and is in celebration of [Women's History Month](#).

Films in the series include:

- March 8, 1 p.m.: [She's Beautiful When She's Angry](#) (2014). This documentary looks at the "...buried history of the outrageous, often brilliant women who founded the modern women's movement from 1966 to 1971" and is directed by Mary Dore. It was nominated twice in 2014 and 2015 for Best Documentary.
- March 14, 12 p.m.: [Miss Representation](#) (2011). Directed by Jennifer Siebel Newsom and Kimberlee Acquaro, this film, "explores the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America, and challenges the media's limited portrayal of what it means to be a powerful woman." In 2011, the film won the Women Film Critic Circle's award for Best Theatrically Unreleased Movie by or About Women and also received a nomination at the Sundance Film Festival.
- March 21, 12 p.m.: [The Hunting Ground](#) (2016). This documentary focuses on, "... rape crimes on U.S. college campuses, their institutional cover-ups, and the devastating toll they take on students and their families" and is directed by Kirby Dick. It received an Oscar nomination in 2016 for Best Achievement in Music Written for Motion Pictures, Original Song.

- March 28, 12 p.m.: [*Equal Means Equal*](#) (2016). Directed by Kamala Lopez, this film examines, "...the many ways women are disadvantaged in the United States under the Constitution." In 2016 it won Best Documentary at the Traverse City Film Festival.

All films and follow-up discussions will be held in the Holmes Meeting Room. These events are free and open to the public.

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated each year on March 8 and commemorates the movement for women's rights. Women's History Month is an annual declared month that highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. It is celebrated during March in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia, corresponding with International Women's Day.