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Announcement of registration for  
the Conference on Women's Culture  
in American Society 1880-1980

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When do women share more in common with women of different classes, ethnicities and races, and when do they share more in common with men of the same class, ethnicity and race? How have women reacted to their environment and how have they acted to shape their communities? By recognizing the diversity as well as the commonality of female experience, the Conference on Women's Culture in American Society 1880-1980 will provide a framework for women's future participation in the public sphere. The two-day conference will be held at the Woman's Building, 1727 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, from 9-5:30 Saturday, March 21, and from 10-5:30 Sunday, March 22, 1981. Speakers include Esther Broner, Kathryn Kish Sklar, Mary Jane Hewitt, Dorothy Healey, Vera Davis and Genora Dollinger. Conference participants will examine social issues of concern to women and acknowledge women's contribution to public policy through the organizations they have formed and supported. The weekend will provide a unique opportunity for the dissemination of the work of community activists, scholars and writers to the general public as well as an historical context for the current movement toward women's rights.

The Conference on Women's Culture in American Society 1880-1980 has been funded by the California Council for the Humanities in Public Policy, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Ahmanson Foundation, Los Angeles. There will be three sessions per day on women's experience: Cultural Diversity, Community Organizations, and Female Heroes and Feminist Communities (Saturday); the Sex-Gender System, Female Labor Force Participation, and Labor and Political Organizations (Sunday). There is a \$5.00 fee per day. Child care will be available at no cost.

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