

LITERARY SURVEY · SIXTEEN SESSIONS

Women in American Literature

Bradstreet to Morrison: the writers who make the canon whole

American literature reread through the women who have always been in it and are only recently receiving the attention they deserve. Colonial poets, early feminists, abolitionists, suffragists, the modernist experimenters, the mid-century radicals, and the writers of our own era. What emerges is not a separate tradition but a fuller one.

SIX REPRESENTATIVE SESSIONS

1. Anne Bradstreet and Phillis Wheatley
2. Emily Dickinson: the closed door and the wide sky
3. Kate Chopin, Charlotte Perkins Gilman, Edith Wharton
4. Zora Neale Hurston and the Harlem Renaissance
5. Sylvia Plath, Anne Sexton, Adrienne Rich
6. Toni Morrison, Louise Erdrich, Sandra Cisneros

FORMATS · ALL CAN BE ADAPTED TO YOUR CALENDAR

- Full series:** Sixteen weekly sessions of 90 minutes
Workshop: Four to eight sessions, shaped to the venue's calendar
Single talk: One 60–90 minute lecture on a chosen theme
Delivery: In person, in the Philadelphia region

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