

Women of Norwich

Norwich has a history of brave women who have reformed our world for the better. Below names just a few and includes some books from our collection and other online resources. Is someone missing? Email us library@norwichuni.ac.uk

Amelia Opie – (1769-1853) novelist, poet, radical and philanthropist.

<https://norfolkrecordofficeblog.org/amelia-opie/>

Anna Gurney - (1795–1857) scholar, poet, philanthropist, translator and first female member of the British Archaeological Association.

<https://queernorfolk.com/news/anna-gurney-norfolks-queer-disabled-geologist/>

Boudicca, Boudica, Boudicea or Boadicea – (30AD – 61AD) warrior Queen of the Iceni, a Celtic tribe that lived in the area now covered by Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire during the late Iron Age.

<https://norwichcastle.wordpress.com/2021/03/11/boudica-warrior-queen-of-norfolk/>

Dorothy Jewson – (1884-1964) one of the first women MP, campaigner for women's freedoms, social justice and housing reform.

<https://norfolkrecordofficeblog.org/dorothy-jewson/>

Elizabeth Fry – (1780 –1845) prison reformer, social reformer, and Quaker. Fry was a major driving force behind new legislation to improve the treatment of prisoners, especially female inmates, and as such has been called the "Angel of Prisons".

Isba, A. (2010) *The Excellent Mrs Fry : unlikely heroine*. London : Continuum. Available at:

<https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,sso&db=edsebk&AN=344066&site=eds-live&scope=site&custid=ns195502>

Edith Cavell

Harmon, A. (2023) 'Edith Cavell', *Salem Press Biographical Encyclopedia* [Preprint]. Available at:

<https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,sso&db=ers&AN=89404514&site=eds-live&scope=site&custid=ns195502>

Ethel Colman – (1863 – 1948) the first female Mayor of Norwich and the UK.

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Julian of Norwich

Ramirez, J. (2017) *Julian of Norwich : a very brief history*. London : Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. Available at:

<https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,sso&db=cat06378a&AN=nua.9780281076840&site=eds-live&scope=site&custid=ns195502>

Lorina Bulwer – (1838 – 5 March 1912) incarcerated in the Female Lunatic Ward of Great Yarmouth Workhouse she embroidered large samples of lettering over two decades. These beautiful and graphic works express her experience of a woman left in a institution.

Sen, D. (2022) *Lorina Bulwer*. Great Yarmouth : Red Herring Press. Available at :

<https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&AuthType=ip,sso&db=cat06378a&AN=nua.C278786&site=eds-live&scope=site&custid=ns195502>

Olive Edis – (1876 -1955) opened her first photography studio in the early 1900 in Sheringham, Norfolk specialising in fisherman and local nobilities.

<https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/search/person/mp10088/mary-olive-edis-mrs-galsworthy>

Norfolk Women in History <https://norfolkrecordofficeblog.org/norfolk-women-in-history/>

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<https://unfinishedbusinessnorfolk.wordpress.com/2020/10/01/norfolk-women-of-history/>

Rosie's Plaques

<https://rosiesplaques.com/>