

# E-SOURCES ON WOMEN & GENDER

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## BLOGS

It’s a blog; it’s a book; it’s Emma Koenig’s life: **F\*CK! I’M IN MY TWENTIES**. Living in New York after college; not making a living; moving back in with parents; writing a blog about it all. And seeing get reviewed in a *New York Times* article (“Wash That Blog Out with Soap,” July 26, 2012) and become a book. See Koenig’s endearing pages, many handwritten, on her Tumblr blog: <http://fuckiminmy20s.tumblr.com/>.

And here’s a blog for 50-somethings: **LIFE AFTER TAMPONS** (<http://www.lifeaftertampons.com/>), by Jennifer Boykin (“your midlife midwife”). Subtitle: “Quit your bitching. Change your life.” Lots of self-help cheerleading, some of which has me looking furtively for an exit. You can even have a personal sort of class/workshop/counseling relationship with Jennifer for \$395. I’ll pass on that, but I am checking out her free “eRetreat,” which consists of twenty-one daily readings you can park on your desktop and turn to for inspiration. (Yikes: The first one suggests a hair/nails/clothes makeover.)

## DOWNLOADABLE DOCUMENTS

Saranga Jain et al., **ALLOWING MEN TO CARE: FATHERHOOD PROJECT IN SOUTH AFRICA**. AIDS Support and Technical Assistance Resources (AIDSTAR-One) Project, October 2011. 12 pp. “In South Africa, men are increasingly rejecting wide-spread stereotypes of manhood by stepping forward to challenge gender roles that compromise their well-being and the health of their partners and their families. This case study documents the Sonke Gender Justice Network’s Fatherhood project, which was designed to reduce HIV transmission and address

related problems, such as gender-based violence, women’s overwhelming burden of care, and the preponderance of children in need of care and support.” PDF from [http://www.aidstar-one.com/focus\\_areas/gender/resources/case\\_study\\_series/allowing\\_men\\_to\\_care](http://www.aidstar-one.com/focus_areas/gender/resources/case_study_series/allowing_men_to_care).

Also by Saranga Jain et al., and from AIDSTAR-One: **EARNING THEIR WAY TO HEALTHIER LIVES: WOMEN FIRST IN MOZAMBIQUE**. AIDS Support and Technical Assistance Resources (AIDSTAR-One) Project, October 2011. Describes a program that “aims to give rural women options for a better life. It provides them with a combination of small business skills training, access to household products to sell, and health and HIV peer education sessions. Together these activities give women the resources — skills, information, peer support, and assets — to make informed health decisions.” Get the twelve-page case study from [http://www.aidstar-one.com/focus\\_areas/gender/resources/case\\_study\\_series/mozambique\\_women\\_first](http://www.aidstar-one.com/focus_areas/gender/resources/case_study_series/mozambique_women_first).

Srilatha Batliwala, **FEMINIST LEADERSHIP FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION: CLEARING THE CONCEPTUAL CLOUD**. AWID (Association for Women’s Rights in Development) for CREA (Creating Resources for Empowerment in Action), 2011. 84p. Chapter titles: “What Is It? Defining Leadership”; “What’s In It? Unpacking Feminist Leadership”; “Where Is It? Feminist Sites of Leadership”; “What Does It Look Like? Feminist Ways of Leading.” PDF at <http://web.creaworld.org/files/fl.pdf>.

Janneke Plantenga, Chantal Remery, & Ingrid Mairhuber, **FLEXIBLE WORKING TIME ARRANGEMENTS AND GENDER EQUALITY: A COMPARATIVE REVIEW OF 30 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES**. European Union, 2010. 128p. Search in “Publications and Documents” on the European Commission’s “Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion” site (<http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=22>).

**“COVERAGE OF WOMEN’S SPORTS: LOWER THAN EVER”** (in 2009). Surprised by that heading? I was, too, but it’s one of the findings in a study by Michael A. Messner and Cheryl Cooky, sponsored by the Center for Feminist Research at the University of Southern California: **GENDER IN TELEVISED SPORTS: NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS SHOWS, 1989–2009**. The full report,

with an introduction by Diana Nyad, is in a 35-page PDF at <http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/home/research/articles-and-reports/media-issues/women-play-sports-but-not-on-tv>.

**RAPE AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE: HUMAN RIGHTS LAW AND STANDARDS IN THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT.** Amnesty International, March 2011. 47p. In Spanish or English, HTML or PDF, from <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/IOR53/001/2011/en>.

Uganda Land Alliance, **A WOMAN AND HER LAND: A RAY OF HOPE BEACONS.** (Funded by the American Jewish World Service.) Kampala, Uganda, 2011. 30p. [http://ulaug.org/new/wp-content/uploads/women\\_land\\_rgts\\_bklet1.pdf](http://ulaug.org/new/wp-content/uploads/women_land_rgts_bklet1.pdf).

## **OTHER SITES OF INTEREST**

**THE HISTORY OF NORDIC WOMEN'S LITERATURE** ([www.nordicwomensliterature.net](http://www.nordicwomensliterature.net)) "is a trilingual web site in Danish, Swedish, and English, which for the first time makes a thousand years of women's literary history in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland, and the Åland Islands freely available online. — The site aims to be useful to all with a general interest in literature, as well as to students, teachers, scholars, journalists, librarians, and others with a professional interest in Nordic literature." Well, it has certainly piqued this reader's general interest: Now, excuse me while I go learn more about Nobel-winning Swede Selma Lagerlöf and Finnish writer Minna Canth.

It's been a workshop; it's a website; it's an amazing mother-and-daughter team; and it will be a book by Spring 2013: **MOTHERING & DAUGHTERING** (book subtitle, "How to Create a Deep and Enduring Relationship Through the Teen Years"), by Sil and Eliza Reynolds. "In our workshops and writing together," they explain at [www.motheringanddaughtering.com](http://www.motheringanddaughtering.com), "we teach the radical notion that mothers and their daughters can not only

survive the adolescent years, but also thrive in them, and in contrast to conventional wisdom, pre-teen and teenage daughters want and need a close relationship with their mother." Sil Reynolds, a nurse practitioner and therapist who studied with renowned Jungian analyst and author Marion Woodman, and her daughter Eliza, once a teen and now a student at Brown University, have written paired essays on such topics as being "body sane," raising (and being raised) a feminist daughter, and the intricacies of letting go and growing up; read these on the "News" page of their site.

Gothenburg University Library offers **PORTALS TO THE HISTORY OF THE SWEDISH WOMEN'S MOVEMENT** at <http://www.ub.gu.se/kvinn/portaler/>. They include "Swedish Women's Struggle for Suffrage"; "Women's Struggle for Knowledge"; "Women at Work"; "Women and Peace"; "Love, Power and Sisterhood"; and "Historical Swedish Periodicals for Women."

Listen to **RADIO STORIES ON THE AIR** about women in "STEM" (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) at <http://www.womeninscience.org/>. In one of the programs, "The Tech Club," two high-school students interview professional women in science and technology; for instance, Donna Lee Shirley, the head of the NASA team that built the Mars rover.

The **WOMAN STATS PROJECT** (<http://womanstats.org>) is "the most comprehensive compilation of information on the status of women in the world... We comb the extant literature and conduct expert interviews to find qualitative and quantitative information on over 310 indicators of women's status in 174 countries. Our database expands daily, and access to it is free of charge." It's a very complex database, but there are video tutorials for first-time users. Principal investigators for the project are from Brigham Young University, the University of Minnesota, Brown University, the University of Kent at Canterbury, and Ohio State University, in the fields of international relations, political psychology, geography, psychology, and sociology.

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