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**Women's History Month  
Film Festival 2013**

Movies are Included with Each Day's Paid Admission  
Movies Start at 1:00 p.m.

March 2: Fly Girls  
March 9: Lioness  
March 16: V for Victory: Women at War  
March 23: Top Secret Rosies:  
The Female Computers of WWII  
March 30: The Forgotten Grave:  
Women Soldiers of the American Civil War

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### **Women's History Month Film Fest:**

The museum will host a film festival during the month of March featuring films with depicting women's roles in the military. All movies are free with each day's paid admission and shown in the museum theater.

**All movies start at 1 p.m.**

### **March 2: Fly Girls.**

At the height of World War II, more than a thousand women left their homes and jobs for the opportunity of a lifetime--joining the Women's Air Force Service Pilots (WASP) to become the first female pilots to fly for the United States military. Drawing on archival footage, rarely seen home movies, and interviews with pilots themselves, the women of the WASP take wing once again, to tell their story of skill, determination, and courage.

### **March 9: Lioness.**

How did five female Army support soldiers, mechanics, supply clerks and engineers, end up fighting alongside the Marines in some of the bloodiest counterinsurgency battles of the Iraq War? An intimate look at war through the eyes of the first women in U.S. history sent into direct ground combat,

despite a policy that bans them from doing so

### **March 16: V for Victory: Women at War.**

This video details women's essential contributions to the national war effort during World War II. Original newsreel stories illustrate the period's most momentous events and highlight the era's prominent personalities. World War II changed life forever for the American woman, who now began to fill traditional male roles and earn new independence. From the home front and factories to the battle fields, the film examines women's sacrifices as well as their demonstrations of competency at this critical turning point in our country's history

### **March 23: Top Secret Rosies: The Female Computers of WWII.**

In 1942 a secret U.S. military program was launched to recruit women to the war effort. This clandestine search targeted female mathematicians who would become human 'computers' for the U.S. Army. From the bombing of Axis Europe to the assaults on Japanese strongholds, women worked around-the-clock six days a week, creating ballistics tables that proved crucial to Allies' success. When the first electronic computer (ENIAC) was developed to aid the Army's calculation efforts, six of these women were tapped to become its first programmers.

### **March 30: The Forgotten Grave: Women Soldiers of the American Civil War.**

More than 600 women disguised themselves as men to fight in the American Civil War. This documentary tells their stories through the women's own letters, diaries, and testimonials. 'The Forgotten Grave' also follows the lives of other women who took part in the Civil War, such as nurses, spies, and other brave heroines.