

Women's Liberation and The New Politics: Voices from the Spokeswoman Classics

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Founded in 1972 by Robin Morgan, The Spokeswoman published groundbreaking articles, essays, and poetry that explored the experiences and perspectives of women from all walks of life. It became a vital space for feminists to share their ideas and strategies, and to build a collective vision for a more just and equitable world.

In this article, we will explore some of the classic works of women's liberation from *The Spokeswoman*, and examine the ways in which they continue to shape feminist thought and activism today.

Robin Morgan: "Goodbye to All That"



Robin Morgan's essay "Goodbye to All That" is a powerful indictment of the patriarchal system and a call for women to embrace their own power and

autonomy. Morgan argues that women have been systematically oppressed and dehumanized by a system that values them only as sexual objects and domestic servants.

Morgan calls on women to reject the roles that society has assigned them and to create a new world based on equality and respect for all genders. She writes:



“We will not be the whores of your wars, the breeders of your children, the cooks of your meals, the cleaners of your houses, the bearers of your burdens. We will not be the slaves of your pleasure, the objects of your contempt, the victims of your violence. We will be free.”

Morgan's essay remains a powerful and inspiring call to action for feminists today. It reminds us that the fight for gender equality is far from over, and that we must continue to challenge the patriarchal system in all its forms.

Shulamith Firestone: "The Dialectic of Sex"



Shulamith Firestone, author of *The Dialectic of Sex*

Shulamith Firestone's book *The Dialectic of Sex* is a seminal work of feminist theory that explores the historical and social roots of women's oppression. Firestone argues that the division of labor between men and women is the root of all gender inequality, and that the only way to achieve

true liberation for women is to abolish the family and the traditional roles that it assigns to men and women.

Firestone's vision of a genderless society is a radical one, but it has had a profound influence on feminist thought. Her work has helped to shape our understanding of the ways in which gender is constructed and maintained, and it continues to inspire activists who are working to create a more just and equitable world.

Other Voices from The Spokeswoman

In addition to the works of Robin Morgan and Shulamith Firestone, The Spokeswoman published a wide range of other groundbreaking articles, essays, and poetry by women from all walks of life. These works explored a variety of topics, including:

- The experiences of women of color and working-class women
- The impact of patriarchy on women's health and sexuality
- The role of women in the anti-war and civil rights movements
- The development of feminist theory and activism

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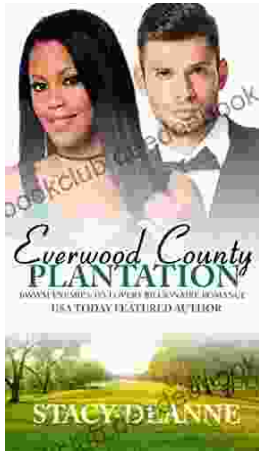
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