



AT HOME: BOOK OF THE MONTH

The March Book of the Month selections are now on our [Webpage](#), along with discussion questions. This month's theme is Women's History.

Featured titles are:

- **K/1st Grades:** [My Name Is Gabriela/Me llamo Gabriela](#)
By Monica Brown
- **2nd/3rd Grades:** [Nasreen's Secret School: A True Story from Afghanistan](#)
- **4th/5th Grades:** [Noisemakers: 25 Women Who Raised Their Voices & Changed the World - A Graphic Collection from Kazoo](#)

By Kazoo Magazine and Erin Bried

If you would like to buy these books for home or for a classroom to be "checked out" by students, check our Amazon [Wish List](#) where books can be purchased. If you have any of these books to lend to classrooms for the month, please drop them off with our Parent Coordinator, Karen Herskowitz.

D&I PS39: WHAT'S COMING UP

Our next Parent Engagement Meeting is Tuesday March 3rd 7pm-8pm in Room 300. Childcare is available.

The Special Education Parent Group will be meeting on March 10th after dropoff.

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STORY OF A NAME:

MS. WACENSKE

(FORMERLY MS. CHEFALO)

My name story starts with my mom. When my mom was growing up, she had a best friend named Carla. My mom's name is Marla. So for her whole life she heard Carla & Marla. When I was born, my mom knew that she wanted to name me after her best friend but she didn't want to be known as Carla & Marla so my parents settled on Carly!!



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DIALOGUE & DRINKS

We need a moderator! This month's Dialogue & Drinks selection is [She Said: Breaking the Sexual Harassment Story That Helped Ignite a Movement](#) by Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey. We are looking for someone to moderate the discussion. If you are interested, please [email us](#). We encourage everyone to read and discuss these selections. We hope the adult book selections foster new ideas and spark conversations among our community members.

WOMEN'S HISTORY EVENTS

At the Brooklyn Museum, see [Out of Place: A Feminist Look at the Collection](#) presents the works of women artists who were traditionally erased from institutional recognition and dominant art-history narratives. Or visit the [Center for Women's History](#) at the New York Historical Society.

CONTACT US!

If you have any questions or input or are interested in a leadership role with Diversity & Inclusion PS 39, please [Contact Us](#) @ diversity@ps39.org. We want to hear from you! Please share your voice with us through our new [Feedback Form](#).

DEFINING A TERM

Womyn: /wimin/

An alternative spelling of the English word women. By taking the "men" and "man" out of the words "woman" and "women" womyn symbolically state that they do not need men to be complete. Womyn are not a sub-category of men.

FEATURED MEDIA

If you aren't familiar with the inimitable Audre Lorde. Stop what you are doing and [GET TO KNOW HER](#).

WORTH FOLLOWING

[@BreeNewsome](#) is Bree Newsome Bass, American filmmaker, musician, speaker, and activist from Charlotte, North Carolina. She is best known for her act of civil disobedience on June 27, 2015, when she was arrested for removing the Confederate flag from the South Carolina state house grounds in the aftermath of the Charleston shooting.