

Nottingham Notable Women - who were born, lived or achieved in Nottingham - updated March 2019.

Please note that this list is frequently updated and not all details are included.

NAME	DOB/DOD	ACHIEVEMENT	BRIEF BIOGRAPHY
Mary Ann Abbott	c1838	Chartist	Mary Ann was a noted chartist organiser who helped set up the Nottingham Female Political Union in 1838.
Ruth Adam	1907-1977	Writer, feminist	Ruth was born in Arnold, educated near Matlock at 18 she became a primary teacher in deprived mining communities and then a writer of 10 novels, essays and key feminist text
Susanna Mary Addyman	1871-1936	VAD storekeeper	Susanna worked as a VAD storekeeper during WW1 at Trent Bridge & Radcliffe on Trent VAD hospitals
Rebecca Adlington OBE	1989–	Olympic swimmer	Rebecca from Mansfield was a freestyle competitive swimmer who won 2 gold medals at 2008 Olympic games and broke the 800mt world record before retiring in 2013.
Marion Adnams	1898–1995	Painter	Marion trained as a teacher in Nottingham, she painted and from 1930's her work was continuously exhibited, she had a deeply surrealist style.
Angela Alcock	1950's -	Oxfam collector	Angela was a volunteer for Oxfam and raised thousands for the charity
Annie Allcock	1867-1955	Matron VAD hospital	Annie was born in Sneinton and worked as a lace maker and milliner before becoming a nurse in 1901. During WW1 she worked as Matron of the VAD hospital in Stroud
Tryphena Anderson	1933-	Nurse, midwife,	Tryphena came to Nottingham from Jamaica at 19 to do her nurse training in 1952 she went on to train as a health visitor becoming the first black health visitor
Sylvia Lake Armstrong	1917-1947	Painter	Sylvia was born at Edwinstowe, Notts. and studied at Mansfield County School of Art, and at the Slade School, London before becoming a painter.
Lena Ashwell		WW1 entertainer	In WW1 Lena travelled to France to entertain the troops
Anne Ayscough/Askew	1521-1546	Martyr	Anne was born or spent her early life in Nuthall and was a devout protestant who was martyred at Smithfield in London.
Alice Astill	1886	First women Taxi Driver in Nottm.	Alice, from Radford, was the first woman taxi driver and caused quite a stir; she was paid TU rate for job. She had previously been a shorthand typist.
Elizabeth Bainbridge	1716-1798	Benefactor	Elizabeth from Woodborough Hall gave to a number of charities including in 1782 giving £1000 to help set up the General Hospital.
Panya Banjoko	Current	Poet	Panya is a contemporary writer, story teller and performance poet who knits and crochets.
Mary Bailey	Early 19 C	Poet	Mary was a poor woman who lived in Sneinton, she published 'Poems, Humourous and Sentimental' in 1826 – they are witty and political and speak up for poor lace runners
Jean Lesley Baker		Surgeon	Born in Lincolnshire, Lesley studied medicine at Sheffield and became a GP and later a Consultant Obstetrician at Nottingham City Hospital for 30 years
Catherine Ball	1879-1918	VAD nurse	Catherine, a VAD nurse in WW1, she sailed with to Egypt to work in a hospital there, unfortunately she was drowned when the SS Osmanieh was sunk off Alexandria.
Kate Barnard	1893 -	QMAAC worker	Kate lived initially in Radcliffe then Nottingham before emigrated to Canada. She returned to do war work, joining Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corp in 1917-19 serving as a waitress
Zilla Gertrude Barratt	1876-1940	Teacher	Zilla had a 44year teaching career at the school in Radcliffe on Trent
(Catherine) Kate Bayley	1840-1921	Founded a day nursery & orphanage	Kate founded The Nottingham Day Nursery, one of the first in the country which she aided and maintained.
Lily Barter	1900 - ?	Welfare supervisor and columnist	Lily was a Welfare supervisor at the Raleigh factory from 1914-1937 before becoming a national newspaper columnist

Eleanor Barton	1872-1960	Cooperative activist & Labour candidate	Eleanor was the first woman to stand as MP in Nottingham Central in 1929- she stood on a peace platform opposing war but lost by a small margin.
Marjorie C Bates	1882-1962	Painter	Marjorie attended Nottingham School of Art and was a watercolour and pastel painter who exhibited at the Royal Academy. She also worked as a Red Cross nurse in Malta in WW1.
Lise Bayer			Lise was half Austrian and had studied in Vienna under the painter Oskar Kokoschka, in the mid-sixties she taught art at Arnold County High School. She was also paraplegic.
Erica Beardsmore	1950? -	Campaigner	Erica a newsagent from Hyson Green was a great supporter of Nottingham in bloom
Phyllis Bedells	1893-1985	Prima ballerina	Phyllis studied in Nottingham under Theodore Gilmer first appearing in London in 1906. She founded the Royal Academy of Dance and in 1979 a Bursary was established in her honour.
Helen Audrey Beecham	1915-1989	poet	Audrey was born in <u>Weaverham</u> , she took PPE at Somerville in Oxford and became a lecturer at Nottingham Uni in 1950. In 1957 she published <i>The Coast of Barbary</i> .
Dr Edith Becket	1877-1952	Education Academic	Edith graduated in 1898 from Nottingham University College, she then joined the University's Education Department and undertook research into the history of education in Notts.
Margaret Benyon OBE	1940-2016	First Hologram artist	Margaret was born in Birmingham grew up in Kenya and studied at the Slade school. She was a fine art fellow at Nottm Uni between 1968-1971 where she pioneered holography.
Sarah Anne Bescoby	d 1921	Benefactor	Sarah Anne left £5000 in her will to distribute among charities.
Ethel Bedford-Fenwick <i>nee Gordon Manson</i>	1856-1947	Nurse campaigner.	Ethel trained as a nurse at Nottingham Children's hospital at age 21 in 1878 and then campaigned for improved nurse training and registration becoming the first SRN
Claire Lloyd Birkin	1875-1934	VAD Hospital Commandant	Claire, from New York, was Commandant of Lamcote Auxiliary Hospital for Officers, at Radcliffe-on-Trent, she received 4 war Honours. She was daughter in law to T Birkin
Ethel Lillian Birkin OBE	1874-1970	VAD hospital Matron	Lillian, daughter of T Birkin, Lace manufacturer, she set up and managed a VAD hospital at Clifton Terrace, Derby Road on 21.10.1914 which dealt with over 1600 casualties
Margaret Diana Birkin	1977	VAD Nurse	Margaret organised and was Commandant of Arnot Hill VAD Hospital which started with 20 beds increasing to 150 over WW1. She was the wife of Thomas Stanley Birkin
Margaret Ida Maud Birkin	-1923	VAD nurse	Daughter of Thomas and Margaret Birkin, she worked in a military VAD hospital in northern France and died in 1923 from an illness contracted there.
Eliza Blatherwick	Mid 1800s	Chartist	Eliza was a single working-class chartist active in 1843
Ethel Rosa Bloodworth	1884-1968	VAD storekeeper	Ethel was born in Lenton but the family moved to Radcliffe, at 16 she was an apprentice lady's outfitter; by Oct 1916- June 1919 she was FT VAD storekeeper at the Military Hospital
Betty Bolton	1906-2005	actress	Betty was born at Newdigate House, she was a well-known actress, singer and dancer and appeared on Baird's original transmission from Broadcasting House on 22.08.1932
Catherine Booth	1829-1890	Co-founded Salvation Army	Catherine co-founded the Salvation Army with her husband William though her role is often overlooked.
Florence Boot <i>nee Rowe</i>	1863-1952	Business woman and benefactor	Florence married Jesse Boot in 1886 and worked with him to expand the business to include the Boots Booklovers Library. She continued to run the Boots business after his death.
Druie Bowett		Artist	Connected to the Midland group of Artists
Georgina Brackenbury	1865-1949	Painter & suffragette	Georgina from Holme Pierrepont Hall was a talented painter as well as a suffragette and friend of Mrs Pankhurst
Gladys May Breedon	1899-1967	Railway Porter	Gladys, born in Shelford, lived with her grandparents in Radcliffe-on-Trent. She became a railway porter during WW1. She married a Wesleyan minister in 1928 and lived in Cheshire.
Phoebe Brittan		Girl Guider + WW1 work	Phoebe of 1st Nottm Girl Guides (YWCA) left for war work in France in 1918
Norah Brooks		Aeronautical	Norah from Mansfield, worked in a mill but moved to work in the Tail Plane & Elevation Dept

		munitions	of William Lawrence in Colwick doing aeronautical munitions work.
Eleanor Dorothy Browne	1881-1954		Eleanor from Collingham ran the WW1 Red Cross central work room at 27 Bridlesmith Gate
Jeanie Brownsword	1842-1931	Poor Law Guardian	Jeanie was a founding Town member of the Town & County Social Guild.
Pip Broughton	1957-	Artistic Director	Pip was the first female artistic Director of the Playhouse in the early 1990s
Winnifred Maud Brown	1887-1918	VAD Nurse	Winnifred, daughter of City Engineer was a VAD nurse in WW1. She sailed for Egypt on SS Osmanieh to work in a hospital but it was sunk by a German torpedo and she was drowned.
Merlita Bryan	1950? -	Councillor, Sheriff and Mayor	Merlita was born in Jamaica and came to England in 1962. She became a Councillor in 2010, Sheriff in 2012 and Lord Mayor in 2013, the first Black woman in these positions.
Ruth Bryan	1805-1860	Diarist	Born in London she came to Nottingham as a child with her father, a minister. She was very spiritual and austere and lived at 18 High Pavement. She kept a detailed diary from 1822.
Catherine Mary Burgis	c1911	Suffragette	Catherine was a teacher and the first secretary of Nottingham's branch of the Women's Social and Political Union and went on to become headmistress of Clarendon Central school
Bridgid Jane Burke-Bloor nee Bueke	-1946	Political activist	Originally from Aberdeen she was President of the Nottingham branch of the Women's Labour Leagues and stood unsuccessfully for the City Council in 1919
Ann Burton	c1859	Benefactor	Ann inherited her father's fortune and erected some almshouses for the benefit of widows, widowers or unmarried people over 60.
(Mary) May Butler	1841-1916	Hymn writer	May was the daughter of Thomas Butler, of Langar and spent her time visiting the poor, teaching etc. On his retirement they moved to Shrewsbury where she wrote poems & hymns
Eunice Campbell		First BAME Co Councillor	Eunice was the first BAME County Councillor in 1989; in 2004 she joined the Congress of Europe and in 2016 was elected first Vice President of the Congress of Regions
Henrietta Carey	1845-1920	Philanthropist	Henrietta was involved in religious and social work for 50 years, founding Nottingham Town and Country Social Guild (TCSG) in 1875.
Fanny Carey	1850-1929	Charity work	Fanny was the sister of Henrietta Carey and was a Town member of the Town & County Guild founded by Henrietta.
Jane Carey nee ???	1850's-1920's?	Youth work	Jane was the wife of William Henry Carey, brother of Henrietta and Fanny. She was very involved in the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA)
Ethel Lillian Carlin nee Birkin	1875-1972	Red Cross nurse	Ethel had a very lengthy and devoted nursing career.
Edith Cartledge	1892-1984	WW1 Telephonist	Edith worked as a telephonist in WW1 at Nottm Castle Exchange – she retained her post and became Nottingham's oldest telephone operator
Mary Ann Carter	C 1850s	College Principal	Principal of Wellesley College she supported 1864 petition to open Cambridge University's exams to women, and the 1866 women's suffrage petition
Florence Carver	? - 1922	Benefactor	Florence left in her will £40,000 to the General Hospital in memory of her father.
Evangeline Cary	1865-1950	Salvation Army officer	Evangeline was the daughter of Catherine & William Booth, founders of the Salvation Army she enjoyed a prestigious career with the Salvation Army both in England and America
Joan Case	c 1918-2008	Alderman and Mayor	Joan was elected Alderman and went on to become the first female Lord Mayor of Nottingham in 1968 and the first woman Chair of the County Council in 1981.
Eileen Casey	1880's – 1920?	Suffragette	Eileen was arrested in Nottingham marketplace on 24 th June 1914, the visit of King George V and was carrying bomb making equipment.
Margaret Cavendish	1623 -1673	Poet	Margaret was married to William Cavendish, Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire, she published the first English book of poetry by a woman 'Poems and Fancies' in 1653.
Elizabeth Chadwick	1957 -	Novelist	Elizabeth was a prolific historical novelist who has lived in Nottingham since the age of 10.

Mary Chambers	? - 1848	Social reformer	Mary established a home and a school for the blind in a small house in Park Street, in Nottingham, which was the origin of the Royal Institution for the Blind in Clarendon Street.
Louie Chaplin	1898-1918	Chilwell Canary	Louie from Gotham was killed at the amunitions factory in Chilwell in 1918.
Susanna Clarke	1959-	Novelist	Susanna was born in Nottingham but has lived in many places in England and abroad. Her debut novel <i>Jonathon Strange & Mr Norrell</i> was published in 2003 to acclaim
Faith Clerkson	? - 1725	Benefactor	Faith from Mansfield, bequeathed £2000 in her will of 1725, to erect a school in Mansfield
Monica Mary Geike Cobb		First female barrister in Nottingham	She was called to the Bar in 1922 and appeared in Nottingham in January 1923 as reported by the <i>Nottm Journal</i>
Mabel Winnifred Cottee	1905-1991	Painter	Mabel studied at the College of Art, and became a painter and was a member of the Nottingham Society of Artists,
Ann Cowen <i>nee Guildford</i>	c1863	Suffragist	Ann was active in the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies led by Millicent Fawcett and in 1885 represented Nottingham. In 1883 she was elected to the Nottm School Board
Louisa Cox	c1850-1910	Painter	Louisa was born in Nottingham about 1850 and became a Miniature painter of considerable skill and artistic ability.
Elizabeth Cresswell	c1839	Chartist	Elizabeth, a 43year old framework knitter, was arrested during a chartist demonstration in Mansfield as reported in the Nottingham Mercury in August 1839
Helen Cresswell	1934-2005	Writer	Helen was born in Kirkby in Ashfield and educated at Nottingham High School for Girl. She was a prolific children's author writing over 100 children's books in a 45year career
Dorothea Crewdson	1887-1919	VAD nurse	Dorothea was a VAD nurse who died on active service in France in 1919 and is the only woman listed on the Lenton war memorial.
Marian Cripps nee Ellis	1876-1952	Pacifist	Marian's parents were radical Quakers, in WW1 she funded the No Conscription League and was imprisoned under DORA. She married Charles Cripps and became Baroness Parmoor.
Ellen (Nellie) Crocker	1872-1962	Suffragette	Nellie was the Women's Social and Political Union's organiser in Nottingham from 1909-12.
Elizabeth and Marianne Cullen	c 1882	Benefactor	Elizabeth and Marianne Cullen of Park Valley, erected in memory of their brother James, 12 memorial houses in Sherwood for ladies of reduced circumstances.
Mary Ann Cursham	1794-1881	Writer & poet	Mary Ann was born in Sutton in Ashfield and as a child moved to Annesley. Her first book was <i>Martin Luther 1825</i> and later wrote <i>Norman Abbey: a tale of Sherwood Forest 1832</i>
Alice Mary Dax nee Mills	1878-1951	Suffragette	Alice was born in Liverpool and was an active suffragette, she moved to Eastwood and knew D H Lawrence, and is thought to be the inspiration behind <i>Clara Dawes in Sons and Lovers</i>
Dame Judi Dench	1934-	Actress	Judi Dench appeared in many early productions at the Nottingham Playhouse
Salma Dessau	1920-1989	RAF sergeant	Salma served in RAF during WW2 as a sergeant, decoding German signals and interrogated German Prisoners of War. She became an art collector establishing the Estorick collection
Caroline Dexter	1819-1884	writer	Caroline was born in Nottingham but spent time in France and later Australia. She taught languages, was a Bloomerite, a clairvoyant and then created <i>The First Ladies Almanack</i> .
Margery Doubleday	d 1544	Benefactor	Margery left the rent for a close of houses on the condition that the sexton of St Peter's church rang a bell for which she also paid, at 4 am to arouse the washer women for work.
Becky Downie	1992-	Artistic gymnastics	Becky is an artistic gymnast who competes for England at Commonwealth and Olympic Games level.
Ellie Downie	1999-	Artistic gymnastics	Ellie represented GB in 2014 Summer Youth Olympics and won bronze at 2015 European Championships.
Alice Dowson	1844-1927	Suffragist	Alice was active in various social and political issues ranging from contagious diseases to suffrage and was secretary of Nottingham's branch of Women's Suffrage Society in 1894.
Helena Dowson	1866-1964	Suffragist	Nellie, worked with her mother in law and sisters in law on various issues including women's

Nee Brownsword			suffrage, taking over as secretary of NWSS in 1896 -
Corinne Drewery	1959-	Singer	Corinne grew up in Nottingham, and is a singer songwriter, best known as the lead singer of the band, Swing Out Sister.
Grace Reynolds Durant	-1974	Nurse	Grace was a VAD nurse from Radcliffe on Trent who served in Malta. She also served in WW2. Her letters are held at Imperial war Museum
Janine Duvitski	1952-	Actress	Janine was born in Nottingham but brought up in Lancashire and is a popular working actress eg Abigail's Party, Waiting for Godot, One Foot in the Grave.
Emily Mary Edge	1891-1978	Owner of Strelley Hall	Emily was the last member of the Edge family to inherit Strelley Hall but only on the condition that she did not marry
Mrs Eggleston		Coop Director	She was director of the Nottingham Co-operative Society and President of the Co-operative Women's Guild promoting welfare clinics and women's greater political involvement.
Edith M Ellis	1878-1963	Pacifist	Edith, the daughter of a local Liberal MP was involved in the Friends Service Committee during WW1 supporting Quakers who refused conscription; she got 3 months in Holloway
Mary P Enfield	c1860-1920	Painter of Miniatures	Mary after doing her art training became a Miniature painter and was exhibited at the Royal Academy.
E M Evans		War supplies	She was a 'scarlet runner' and set up a privately funded war hospital supply depot at 27 Bridlesmith Gate, the Central Work Rooms to provide bandages, nightshirts, gowns etc
Olga Farmer	1900-	Painter	Olga painted in both oil and water colour, chiefly portraits. She was a member of the Nottingham Society of Artists and exhibited at the Royal Academy
Jenny Farr MBE	-To date	Young People's Advocate, DL	Jenny worked with NSPCC to help abused youngsters and was president of East Midlands Child's Voice appeal in 2006. In 1993 she became the first female deputy Lord Lieutenant
Dorothie Spence Field	1915-1994?	Oil painter	Dorothie came to Nottingham in 1932, she painted still-life, flowers and figures, in oils. She was a member of the Midland Group of Artists, and an art lecturer.
Ida Firman	19??-19??	WW2 Air Transport Auxiliary pilot	Ida lived on Ruddington Lane and was a pilot in the all-female Air Transport Auxiliary (ATA) ferrying damaged and new aircraft between UK factories and delivering them internationally.
Connie M Ford MBE	1912-1998	Vet Poet	Connie qualified as a vet and from 1943 worked at Sutton Bonington in the Government's veterinary investigation service. She was also a published poet. See Nottm Uni MSS
W Foster	c1880-1950	painter	She was a member of the Nottingham Society of Artists for many years, and a regular exhibitor of her water colours
Edith Henrietta Fowler	1865- 1944	Writer	Edith was a successful novelist writing and after marrying Rev Robert Hamilton and moved to Long Eaton, Derbyshire- an area with an NG postcode often thought of as in Notts
Alice Fussell	c1850-1910	Water colourist	Alice was a teacher of painting and drawing at the Nottingham High School for Girls as well as a frequent exhibitor of water colour drawings
Ada Fussey	c1840-1910	Painter	Ada was a Nottingham born artist of some distinction and for many years was a well-known teacher of painting and drawing,
Rose Fyleman	1877- 1957	poet	Rose Amy Feilmann was born in Nottingham to German Jewish immigrant parents, aged 40 Rose published her famous fairy poem 'There are fairies at the bottom of my garden'.
Louise Garvey	1952-	Nurse equality campaigner	Louise came from Jamaica to England in 1957 and trained as a nurse. She actively promoted equality in the health sector
Abigail Gawthern	1757-1822	Diarist	Abigail ran her husband's leather business after his death and was wealthy owning eighteen houses in Broad Marsh & Drury Hill; she kept a diary which records life in late 1700's.
Elizabeth Gellestrop	d 1543	Benefactor	Elizabeth in her will of 1543, endowed some almshouses in Barkergate,
Evelyn Gibbs	1905-1991	Artist	Evelyn was lecturing at Goldsmith's College, London when it was evacuated to Nottingham

			in 1939. She was one of the most important artists of her generation.
Ann Gilbert nee Taylor	1782-1866	Writer anti-slavery & women's campaigner	Ann wrote poems, hymns and literary criticism, she also set up a refuge for women and an anti-slavery society.
Annie Laurie Gilbert	1848-1941	Water colourist	Annie was a landscape water colour painter, painting scenes in and around Nottingham and the County
Sharon Gibson	1961-	Javelin thrower	Sharon competed in the Olympics in 1984 and 1988, and in the European championships 1990 and 1994 and commonwealth games in 1994 where she came third.
Mary Gillick	1881-1965	Sculptress	Mary was educated at Nottingham High School for Girls, studied at Nottingham School of Art, taking up sculpture, she also worked with the Royal Mint on designs for the new coinage
Margaret Glen-Bott	1892-1969	Gynaecologist, surgeon, magistrate,	Margaret came to Nottingham in 1916 and was the first woman Gynaecologist holding the position of Honorary Surgeon at Nottingham Women's Hospital and the Children's Hospital.
Sarah Gray	1860-1941	Consultant Surgeon	Born in Tipperary Sarah took a Scottish medical qualification before moving to Nottingham to become the first woman GP and later a surgeon at the Women's hospital.
Miss Grieves	c 1829	Eccentric	Miss Grieves, and Miss Kirkby were the last tenants to live in the Castle, before it was burnt down
Nan Green	1904-1984	Nurse	Nan was born in Beeston and was a heroine of the Spanish Civil war and stalwart of the Communist Party of Great Britain.
Miss Greenhall	C 1911	Suffragette	She lived on Mansfield Road at Red Hill but the emunerator wrote suffragette on census night as she was absent
Kate Greenaway	1846-1901	Illustrator	Kate was educated at the Nottingham University College and at the South Kensington Art School, and at the Slade School. She specialised in water colour drawings of children.
Lillian Greenwood	1966-	Labour MP	Lillian moved to Southwell in 1999 and was the first woman elected to be an MP for Nottingham East in May 2010. She is currently Shadow Minister for Transport.
Julia Gudgeon	1965? -	Midwife	Born in Nottingham and educated at the Bluecoat school Julia works as Maternity Matron at University Hospital NHS Trust where she has developed a pregnancy App – Pocket Midwife
Hannah Guildford	1840-1938	Teacher, Education Comm. member	Hannah taught at High Pavement Sunday School and was the first female Chair of the Chapel's Council; she was also on the Nottm School Board and the Education Committee.
Sarah Guildford	1840-1930?	Poor Law Guardian Suffragist	Sarah, Hannah's sister, in 1892 was elected as one of the first women to serve as a Poor Law Guardian
Madge Hales	1901-1985	Poet	Madge's papers are held at Nottm Uni MSS Her collection called Dark Landscapes,
Mary Hardstaff	1843-1899	Benefactor	Mary founded a charity with assets of £36,838 and 8 alms houses at Giltbrook and another 8 at Mansfield Woodhouse were built.
Caroline M. Harper	Early 20thC	Councillor, mayor, Sheriff and JP	Caroline was the first woman appointed Sheriff of Nottingham in 1931
Mrs Handford	Early 20thC	President Nottm NUWW	Mrs Handford was president of Nottm branch of National Union of Women's Workers who held a conference at the Mikardo café (in Debenhams then Sisson & Parker) in Sept 1916
Dr Nancy Hartshorne Kirk	1916-2005	Pioneering Geologist	Nancy was born in Mansfield educated at the Girls Grammar and then Newnham College where she got a PhD. She did seminal work on graptolites challenging current understanding
Clare Harvey		Novelist	Clare a local author published The Night Raid in 2017 which is set in Nottingham in WW2 and includes a scene in Bromley House library and a focus on Laura Knight's war painting
Elizabeth Heath	1617-1693	Benefactor	Elizabeth established 12 alms houses for poor women in Mansfield
Sherrie Hewson	1950-	Actress	Sherrie was born in to a show business family in Burton Joyce and started performing at the age of 6 and is an actor, presenter, broadcaster TV personality and novelist.

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Kate Heasman	1939-2010	Lecturer Trade Union Activist	Kate was a lecturer in Further Education, President of NATFHE and Equality Officer, and a campaigner for Women's rights
Betty Higgins	1927-2019	Labour Councillor + Leader	Betty was a Councillor from 1992-2003 and was the first and only woman to be Leader of Nottingham City Councillor
Millicent Hine	c 1869	Nurse benefactor	Millicent was a sister at St Lucy's Home in Gloucester and went on to become the nurse in charge, she donated a house on Postern Street as the Free hospital for sick children.
Muriel Hine	1874-1949	novelist	Muriel was born in Nottingham the daughter of architect George Hine. She moved to London in the 1880's. Muriel wrote over 30 novels which often challenged women's options in life.
Annie Holgate	1890-1946	Education, Labour party activist	Annie was a Labour Party activist. In 1944 she became Chair of the Curriculum Committee for Modern Schools in Nottingham City.
Reba Helen Holloway	1878-1940	Relieving & Boarding Out Officer	In 1910 she became the first female relieving officer and Boarding Out Officer at Nottm Poor Board
Marjory Amy Holman			Marjory was a daughter of Florence and Jesse Boot and set up a refreshment centre for sick and injured soldiers in Northern France
Elizabeth Hooton	1600-1672	Quaker	Elizabeth from Skegby, was an early supporter of George Fox the founder of the Quakers, becoming the first female preacher, despite suffering persecution
Rose Elsie Howie	1884-1963	Suffragette	Rose was an active member of the WSPU travelling around and speaking and agitating at meetings and often appearing dressed as Joan of Arc.
Mary Howitt	1799-1888	Poet	Mary began to write at an early age, in 1823 she moved to Nottinghamshire with her husband William, with whom she wrote over 180 books.
Kitty Hudson	1765- ?	Pin Woman of Arnold	Kitty was born in Arnold and in the late 1700s Kitty became a local celebrity known as the Pin Woman of Arnold.
Ethel Hutchinson		Nurse	Ethel was a nurse with the QAIMNS reserve in France. On 7.08.1916 she was knocked down by a 15" shell but resumed work until all patients were evacuated; she received a medal.
Lucy Hutchinson	1620-1680	Writer, poet	Lucy resided in Nottingham Castle during the English Civil War, and wrote 'Memoirs of the life of Colonel Hutchinson' to protest his innocence. She was also a translator and poet.
S Hutchinson	C 1911	suffragette	She was absent and therefore an evader on census night her address was 5 Cavendish Crescent South in the Park
Queen Isabella	1295-1358	Queen	In 1307 aged 12, Isabella became the second wife of Edward II and resided in Nottingham Castle.
Elizabeth Britomarte James	1867-1943	Women's Army Auxiliary Corp	Elizabeth, from Australia, was the Unit Administrator with the Women's Army Auxillary Corps drafted to Nottingham to cook for the troops there. She later commanded a unit in France
Freda James	1911-1988	Tennis player	Freda won 2 doubles titles at Wimbledon and the US Championships in 1930's
Hannah Jeffcott	1842-1874	Midwife	Hannah attended some 3290 births, over 32 years; she also produced a book giving a snap shot of life in the later years of the 19 th century.
Melanie Jeffer	C 2016	Co-founder of Hollaback Nottm	Mel as CEO of the Women's Centre helped set up Hollaback to challenge misogynistic hate crime. She is currently the first female Director of Bromley House Library
Martha Jephcott	C 2016	Co-founder of Hollaback Nottm	In 2014 Martha helped set up Hollaback to challenge misogynistic street harassment by collecting stories and reporting them to the police
Sue Fish	C2016	Chief Constable & co founder of Hollaback	With two women listed above helped on 2016 have Nottm Police categorise misogyny as a hate crime – the first police force to do so
Winnifred Johnson	C1915	Nurse	Winnifred was a teacher at Southwark Street school who joined the Red Cross in 1914 and volunteered at Bagthorpe and then in 1915 went to the western front

Lucy Joynes	1782-1851	Poet, hymn writer	In 1818 Lucy opened a Ladies School on Gillyflower Hill where she lived, she wrote poems recording notable events in Nottingham eg an explosion on the canal. She also wrote hymns
Miriam Kaplowitch <i>nee Kaufmann</i>	1889-1971	Humanist and Philanthropist	Miriam was a director of Jersey-Kapwood Ltd giving away much of her fortune to charitable organisations eg Portland College, home for Jewish refugee children, elderly care home.
Alice Palmer Kiddier	1889-?	Painter	Alice was studied at Nottingham School of Art, painted chiefly landscapes and still-life in oils. She was a member of Nottingham Society of Artists and the Midlands Artists Group.
Miss Kirkby	c 1829	Eccentric	Miss Kirkby rented a section of rooms at castle at £60 per year. She was known as wealthy eccentric, and specialised in breakfast parties on the terrace
Mary Jane Kirke ??????	C 1911	Suffragette	Mary was living in Barnby Moor in East Retford in 1911 and wrote 'suffragette' on the census return form. ????????????
Dame Laura Knight <i>nee Johnson</i>	1877-1970	Artist	Laura studied at Nottingham School of Arts, she painted in oils and water colours, she commissioned to paint the Nuremburg trials of WW2 Criminals for the Imperial War Museum.
Norah Lavrin		Artist engraver	Norah
Lucy Ann Leavers	1845-1915	Painter	Lucy Ann, born in Nottingham and was a well-known animal painter - animals, dogs, cats, rabbits and poultry in particular- in the second half of the nineteenth century.
Edith Anne Lees	1900's	Suffragette	Edith was a founder member of Nottingham branch of National Council of Women, and took part in suffragette activities in London and appeared at Bow Street for smashing windows
Jane Eliza Leeson	1807-1882	Poet and writer of hymns	Jane was born at Wilford, she wrote mainly for children and wrote many hymns with the most famous being 'Loving Shepherd of the Sheep'
Hannah Levick	c 1879	benefactor	Hannah founded a charity and bequeathed £4226 for the benefit of people over 60 to live rent free and have 2s 6d a week and coal.
Sybil Levin OBE	D 1996	Social Care	Sybil was awarded an OBE in 1952 for her services to charity which included work for the Notts Society for the Deaf and the British Heart Foundation.
Mabel Levy	1900s	Etcher & engraver	Mabel studied at Nottingham School of Art, lived in West Bridgford and was an etcher and engraver
Hilda Lewis	1896-1974	Writer	Hilda originally worked as a teacher but in 1920's she began to write mainly historical novels for children and young adults, publishing over 15 titles.
Clare Littleford	1974 -	Writer	Clare worked in Housing at Nottingham City Council and left to write publishing her first novel Beholden in 2003
Pam Littlewood		Writer	Pam was born and lives in the Newark area and published her first novel Workhouse Prophecy, in 2001. It is a ghost story and is set in Nottinghamshire.
Vera Lockhart nee Anderson	1919-1963	Awarded George Medal	Vera, a nurse was awarded the George Medal for bravery during the Nottm. Blitz in 1941. She stayed at her post at Boots Station Street during a bombing attack, treating casualties
Hilary Loftus MBE	1934-	Cook	Hilary was awarded an MBE in 2008, for her 25 years+ work with the homeless in Nottingham.
Ada Lovelace <i>nee Byron</i>	1815- 1852	Mathematician and scientist	Ada, was the legitimate daughter of Lord Byron, her mathematical talents led her to work with Charles Babbage and many consider her to have written the first computer programme.
Mary MacArthur	1880-	Trade Unionist	Mary helped set up the lace mending and finishing board in Nottingham and came to Nottingham in 1909 to support the recruitment drive.
Sandeep Mahal	Current	Director City of Literature	Sandeep is the Director of Nottingham UNESCO City of Literature, awarded this status in 2015 Sandeep led the activity which followed
Violet Rosa Markham	1872-1959	Mansfield's First woman MP candidate	Violet from Mansfield was an anti-suffrage campaigner who unsuccessfully contested her deceased brother's Mansfield constituency seat as a Liberal in 1918

Emily Manners	1857-1934	Poor Law Guardian, JP and suffragist	Emily was a prominent Mansfield Quaker, she was the first woman to be elected as a Poor Law Guardian there and was honorary secretary of Mansfield's Women's Suffrage Society
Rachel Manners	c 1920's	Suffragist and benefactor	Rachel Emily's daughter, a Quaker and interested in women's suffrage, she helped form a Girls Society and club in 1920's based in Westfield Folkhouse.
Ethel Gordon Manson	1859-1947	SRN nurse	Ethel was born at Thoroton Hall and began her nursing career Children's Hospital, she campaigned for and succeeded in getting professional recognition for nurses.
Maid Marian	c1200-1400	Legend	In the legend regarding Robin Hood, Maid Marion features as his companion, she is seen to be an independent and courageous woman.
Charlotte Marsh	1887-1961	Suffragette	Charlotte was for a while the organiser for the Women's Social and Political Union in Nottingham. She had a long history of militancy and had been imprisoned several times.
Kitty Marshall	1913-1980s?	Trade Unionist	Kitty was a hosiery worker and during WW2 worked in munitions at Raleigh returning to Ashwell's afterwards where she became union shop steward for the Hosiery Finishers Union
Lottie Martin		Crane Driver	Lottie left her work at Thomas Bayley and became an overhead crane driver at Chilwell Ordnance factory working 12 hours Mon - Sat
Marianne Mason	1845-1932		In 1885 Marianne was appointed inspector of Children Boarded Out Beyond the Union and held the role for 25 years until she retired in 1910
Empress Matilda	1102-1167	Leader	Matilda was the only daughter of Henry I and attempted to assert her claim to the throne by attacking Stephen in Nottingham castle with her army.
Annie Matheson	c 1909	Suffragist poet	Annie was active in Nottingham Subscription library – now Bromley house- and the Church League for Women's Suffrage. She was also poet and a feminist.
Ivy Matthews	c 1975	Mayor of Nottingham	Ivy, a Conservative councillor was the Lord Mayor of Nottingham in 1975 and again in 1984
Vicky McClure	1983-	Actress	Vicky is a Bafta winning actress currently in Line of Duty on TV.
Alison McKenzie OBE		Munitions worker	Alison worked in the staff canteen at Chilwell Munitions factory, she helped rescue people after the explosion there in July 1918 for which she was awarded an OBE
Ruth McKenzie OBE	1960s	Theatre Director	Ruth was the first female executive Director at the Playhouse from 1900 –m 2002 before moving on to direct the Cultural Olympiad for the 2012 London Olympic games.
Dame Agnes Mellors	? - 1514	Benefactor	Dame Agnes founded Nottingham free school or High school for boys in 1513 in Barker Gate/ Stoney Street.
Margery Mellors	d 1539	Benefactor	Margery bequeathed property to help maintain Trent Bridge as well as 4 cottages in Low Pavement and Pepper Street, which were to be converted to a Hospital for poor women
Sarah Barker Merrick <i>nee Babbs</i>	1869-1933	Suffragette	Sarah moved to Hucknall as a young teacher later she became a headteacher. She was very active in public life and very supportive of women's suffrage
Alice Meynell nee Kilroy	1903-1999	Senior Civil servant	Alix was the granddaughter of Alice Dowson and write 'What Grandmother said' and in 1925 became the first Nottingham woman to enter the Civil Service senior grade.
Mary Ellen Miles	1824-1884	Artist	Mary was very artistic and decorated the chancel screen of St Mary & All Saints Bingham with her son Frank. She was also a founding county member of the Town & County Guild
Dinah Minton	1950s	organiser	Dinah was co-founder of the head injuries support charity Headway. She has a tram named after her.
Mary Mitford	c1742-1774	Painter	Little is known about Mary, her brothers were Colonel William Mitford and Lord Redesdale. She painted watercolours including 2 of Dovedale, one is in Buxton Museum.
Lady Mary Wortley Montague <i>nee Pierpont</i>	1689-1762	Poet, and travel writer introduced smallpox inoculation	Mary the daughter of Evelyn Pierpont, refused to marry the man selected for her, eloped and travelled with her husband. On return to England she was the first to introduce inoculation.

Ann Morley			Part of the Morley pottery family who made the famous Nottingham Brown stoneware. She built a house which later became People's Hall
Alison Moore	current	novelist	Alison's debut novel was <i>Man Booker</i> shortlisted, a member of the Writer's Studio she was assistant at Lakeside Arts Centre and is now an honorary lecturer at the University
Dorothy Moore	c19	Teacher/ College Principal	Dorothy provided evening classes for girls from 1919 at the Advance Club, the predecessor to Clarendon Institute (College) in 1934 of which she was Principal leaving in 1950.
Lady Ottoline Morrell	1873-1938	Socialite and patron	Ottoline, half-sister to Duke of Portland, from Welbeck. She is closely associated with the Bloomsbury group and is famous for her affairs, hospitality and patronage of the arts
Jackie Morris	1900's	Councillor, Mayor & Sheriff	Jackie was born in Bulwell, she had open heart surgery at 17, married and moved to London returning to Bulwell in 1971 as a nurse. She then became a Councillor, Mayor and Sheriff.
Nora Morrison	1917 -2016	Ballet Teacher	Nora ran a dance school and taught ballet throughout her long career and was well known and respected nationally training many stars, she was awarded an MBE in 2010
Samantha Morton	1977	Actress	Samantha was born in Nottingham, and at 13 was offered a role in <i>Soldier Soldier</i> . She has had a successful TV and stage career and has also written and directed
Mary Clara Sophia Neal	1860-1944	Socialist	Mary was a regular lecturer at Nottingham Labour Church in her early years before relocating to live in London
Elizabeth Newson	1925-	Research	Elizabeth with her husband John Newson ran an integrated programme at Nottingham University for clinical and educational psychologists and undertook research.
Doris Nicklin	1900-1977	Doctor	Doris was the Doctor at the Nottingham birth control clinic at the Women's Welfare centre at 15 Market Street, established by the Nottm Cooperative Women's Guild.
Mary S Norris	c 1884	Benefactor	In 1884, Mary instructed Watson Fothergill, architect, to build 8 cottages on Sherwood Rise for higher class ladies of superior education but of reduced circumstances.
Elizabeth Nutt Harwood	c1820 - 60	Diarist	Elizabeth lived in Beeston and kept a diary (in Nottm archives) from 1838–1842 a significant period in Queen Victoria's reign and details social and economic developments of the time.
Alice Oldacres	1852-1910	Worked for the poor	Alice lived in the Hollies, Mansfield Road.
Eliza Sarah Oldham nee Sutton	1822-1905	Author & artist	Eliza was born at 1 Bottle Lane and the family shop was at 1 Bridlesmith Gate. She was a student at the Government School of Design in 1840's, and a friend of Anna Mary Howitt
Ellen Padley	1820's	Painter	Ellen lived at Bulwell Hall and was the only daughter of Rev Alfred Padley, she left Bulwell Hall for London to marry????????????????
Alice le Palmer nee de Heriz	12C	Benefactor	Alice collected, expended and gave great sums to the building and repairing of Trent Bridge, she and her husband also founded a chantry chapel on the bridge.
Sylvia Parsons	19??-	Councillor and Mayor	Sylvia became the second woman to be Mayor of Nottingham in 1995
Monica Partridge	1915-2008	First female University Professor	Monica read French at University College Nottm then during WW2 worked in London. In 1967 she was made Professor at University of Nottingham
Anne Paulson	1808-1866	Painter	Anne was born in Papplewick and painted to support her family after her husband's death. There is a booklet about her by Alan W Mallatratt in Mansfield Museum.
Florence Paton nee Widdowson	1891-1976	Labour MP for Rushcliffe 1945-50	Born in Somerset she grew up in Wolverhampton where she was a teacher. She joined the ILP in 1917 and then the LP in 1918 and became MP for Rushcliffe in 1945.
Constance Penswick-Smith	1878-1938		Constance came to Coddington aged 12 where her father was the Reverend. In 1920 she published <i>The Revival of Mothering Sunday</i> and successfully reinvigorated this celebration.
Sarah Pettifor	D 1920	Benefactor	Sarah established the St Nicholas Annuity Fund for Needy Ladies in 1920 with each over 50year-old woman receiving a yearly sum of £20
Joan Phillips	17thC	Highway woman	Joan, a highway woman, was hung in 1685.

Agnes Pike		teacher	Agnes from Radcliffe on Trent was married to Gunner Charles Pike she died in the flu epidemic of 1918
Sylvia Pike	1930-2014	Painter	Sylvia moved to Hawsworth after her marriage c1965, she was a painter and a member of the Midland Group of Artists and was its first full time Director 1966 – 1979.
Janetta Pitman	c1850-1910	Painter	Janetta studied art in London, and painted in oils and water colour, chiefly still-life and domestic subjects and between 1880 -1901 she exhibited at the Royal Academy,
Charlotte Pohlmann	c1860-1920	Artist	Charlotte lived in Nottingham and practised as an artist there during the second half of the nineteenth century. she exhibited one of her works at the Royal Academy in 1890.
Mary Potter	1847 - 1913	Nun / nursing	Mary was born and raised in London, she came to Nottingham where she set up a nursing order to care for the sick – the Little Company of Mary in Lenton Street in Hyson Green.
Mary Proctor	c1802	Convict, pioneer, settler	Mary was transported to Australia in 1820's and is representative of thousands of similar ordinary white people who settled Australia – she is the subject of a book by Jeff Atkinson
Dorothee Pullinger	1920	Pioneer motor engineer	Dorothee's father managed the Humber car factory in Beeston from 1904-1908. When she was 18 she started work in the engineering drawing office before moving to Scotland.
Edith Ethel Ransom	1872-1949	Library President	Edith was the first woman president of Bromley House Library
Mary Winnifred Rawsthorne	1911 - 1999	Potter & painter	Mary came to Nottingham School of Art to teach pottery in 1949 she then moved on to Basford College. She was also a painter, and a member of Nottingham Society of Artists.
Lady Readett-Bayley		WW1 ambulance Driver	She drove ambulances in France and Belgium in WW1, was a committed Girl Guider and her war work inspired Girl Guides in Nottinghamshire
Alma Reville	1899-1982	Film maker	Alma was born in the St Ann's area of Nottingham and was a successful Director, screen writer and film maker who was married to Alfred Hitchcock with whom she collaborated.
Nellie Richard		volunteer	Nellie was a volunteer at the birth control clinic on 15 Market Street
Lady Laura Ridding	1849-1939	suffragist & women's activist	Laura was a supporter of women's suffrage who with husband Bishop of Southwell was very active in social projects for women and girls She also wrote regularly for the Times.
Stella Rimington	1935-	Director-General of MI5, writer	Stella grew up in Nottingham and attended Nottingham Girls' High School. She became the first woman Director General of MI5 from 1992 – 1996. She now writes spy fiction.
Jane Roadknight	1855-1929	Teaching & Inspector	Jane was an innovative Kindergarten teacher at Blue Bell Hill Board schools and went on to become a well-respected Inspector for the City of Nottingham until her retirement in 1919.
Sheila Robinson	1900s	artist	Sheila studied at the Nottingham College of Art, and the Royal College of Art, London. She was a general artist, painting in oils, water colour, gouache, and inks.
Susan Robinson	C1838		Susan an elderly woman from Nuthall was sent to do stone-breaking by the poor law guardians in 1838 the Female Political Union raised a subscription to prevent her from this
Lady Charlotte Maud Rolleston	1852-		
Ruth Royle	1900's	Suffragette	Ruth was involved in suffrage activities despite her father's disapproval. Interviewed by Nottingham Post in 1972, she remained committed to equality and women's rights
Christine Russell	1942-2008	Social; work, campaigner	Christine spent her life supporting and campaigning for homeless people. She was CEO of Nottingham homelessness charity Macedon and helped set up Framework Housing Assoc.
Gertrude Savile nee Pierrepont	1697-1758	Diarist	Gertrude, a minor aristocrat was brought up at Rufford Abbey. Her diary of her life from 1721-1757 is in Notts archives and records her unhappy marriage to the Duke of Halifax.
Kathleen Scott nee Bruce	1878-1947	Sculptress	Kathleen was born in Carlton in Lindrick, she was a sculptress and wife of Captain Scott.
Mrs Seely	1837-1894	Charity work	She was married to Sir Charles Seely who built and adorned Daybrook church in her

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			memory – there is an altar tomb in the north wall of the chancel.
Katie Seymour	1870-1903		
Constance Shacklock	1993-1999	Opera singer	She began her career at the Theatre Royal with Nottingham Operatic Society and went on to sing at Covent Garden
Leonora Shaw	C 1911	Suffragette	She lived at 445 Mansfield Rd with her husband a science lecturer but was absent on census night evading giving information
Mary Ellen Shaw	1859-1926	'teacher, charity worker	Aged 16 Mary Ellen was teaching the Chief Constable's children in Nottingham and from 1877 she ran the Ragged Boys Sunday Class in Maypole Street.
Louisa Sherbrooke	1815-1893	Charity work	Louisa was married to Henry Sherbrooke son of the Rector of Bingham. She was actively involved in charity work and was a founding county member of the Town and Country Guild.
Hilary Silvester	current	Civic Society Chair	Chair of Nottingham Civic Society and campaigner for a better city landscape. In 2017 her work was celebrated by Castle Rock brewery naming a red ale after her.
Doreen Sylvia Simmons nee Clarke	1932-2018	Somo-wrestling commentator	Born in Nottingham educated at Mundella and Girton she was a teacher before moving to Japan in 1973 where she became an expert on sumo and an award-winning commentator.
Annie Sissons	1819-1920	Centenarian flyer	Annie on her 101 birthday she flew with Herbert Sykes of Alan Cobham's Flying Circus over Mansfield and was reported in the Daily Express on July 20 th 1920
Kim Slater	current	writer	Kim's first novel for young adults 'Smart 2014 won 10 awards; she continues to write for young people.
Margaret Sprackling	1945? - ?	Consultant	Margaret was born in London and moved to Nottingham after qualifying. She was Consultant Physician at City Hospital and second woman president of the Medico-Chirurgical Society.
Lucy Sprittles Or Spittal ?	Early 20thC	Co-operative Women's Guild	Lucy campaigned against the way rationing was organised during WWI, she organised a Mass Meeting of Women with the slogan 'Down Tools for Margarine'.
Florence Small	1860-1933	Painter	Florence was born in Nottingham, she painted mainly domestic subjects in water colour and pastel and was very successful exhibiting at the Royal Academy.
Ada Smith	1870's	Business woman	Ada ran her own business a fancy box and card pattern maker in St Mary's Gate. She was active in Nottm's NWSS organising petitions, conferences, speaking and writing pamphlets.
Ethel Rosetta Smith	1897-1918	Army service Corp	Ethel from Radcliffe on Trent joined the army service corp. She died in 1918, presumably from flu
Mary Smith		Suffragette	Mary sold 'The Suffragette' on Long Row and is recorded in Evening Post as having been deserted by her husband because of her views, so she sued him for desertion & 25/- a week
Muriel Smith	1902-1990?	Painter	Muriel from Gunthorpe studied at the Nottingham School of Art and in London. She painted miniatures and portraits in water colour and pastel exhibiting regularly in London and beyond
Elizabeth Sunter	1823-1903	Suffragist	Elizabeth was secretary of Nottingham Committee of the National Society for Women's Suffrage. She signed 1866 petition and taught at People's College.
Fanny Taylor	1897-1918	Died in Munitions explosion	Fanny was killed in the massive explosion on June 1 st 1918 at No 6 shell-filling factory at Chilwell munitions factory.
Jane Taylor	1783-1824	Poet	Jane, with her sister published <i>Original Poems for Infant Minds</i> which included Jane's poem 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'
Vesta Tilley	1864-1952	Music hall entertainer	Born Matilda Alice Powles, stage name Vesta Tilley, she was a popular Music Hall performer dressing as a man and performing 'masher' or dandy songs and helping WW1 recruitment.
Jayne Torvill	1957	Ice Skater	Jayne was born in Nottingham and her formative years were spent at the Nottingham Ice Stadium; she is an Olympic Gold Medallist and Ice Dance Champion.
Anne Treneman	1956-	Journalist President	Born in Iowa she moved to UK in 1980's and writes for the Times firstly as a political sketch

		of Bromley House	writer and from 2015 as their theatre critic. In 2018 she became President of BH Library
Catherine Turner	1797-1894	School mistress	Catherine from Newcastle married Rev Henry Turner and moved to Nottm. He died in 1822 and Catherine set up a successful girl's school at Lenton Fields; she signed 1866 petition
Hayley Turner	1983-	Jockey	Hayley was a professional jockey, the first woman to ride 100 UK flat races in a calendar year with 764 career wins. She was 2008 racing personality in 2008, retiring in 2015.
Ethel Wainwright OBE	C1900 - 1950	First woman Mayor of Mansfield	Ethel moved to Mansfield on getting married and went on to achieve many firsts in public office – councillor, JP, Alderman, becoming Mayor in 1929.
Rosa Wallis	1859-1946	Artist	Rosa was a well-established landscape and botanical painter, etcher and engraver. She exhibited over 300 works between 1880 -and 1930
Muriel Wallis	1882-1929	Suffragette, community activist	Muriel was active in WSPU and took part in several London demonstrations, being arrested on 'Black Friday', 18/11/1910. She was also active in social and charity work.
M E Warwick	1900s	Illustrator & wood engraver	Born in Newark, she studied book illustration at Eastbourne School of Art; she later took up Wood Engraving and has exhibited both works at various exhibitions.
Dorothy Eva Watkins	1911-1998	Painter	Dorothy was born in Nottingham studying at the School of Art. She painted in oils and water colours, and has exhibited at the RBA, in London, and at the Society of Women Artists.
Margaret Watkins		Nurse	Margaret was a school nurse from Beardall Infants who worked at Mtarfa military hospital in Malta during WW1
Susannah Watson	1794-1877	Transported to Australia	Susannah moved to Bulwell from London and experienced poverty which undoubtedly led to the thefts for which she was transported to Australia's Botany Bay in 1829
Helen Kirkpatrick Watts	1881-1972	Suffragette	Helen, daughter of the vicar of Lenton, she joined the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) and was arrested several times serving time in prison.
Anna Mary Howitt Watts	1824-1884	Illustrator, painter	Anna was born in Nottingham, and attended Henry Sass's Art School in London in 1844, with two other women she founded 'Sisters in Art'
Caroline Weinberg		JP	First Nottingham woman to become a JP?
Winifred Welch	1893-1978	Nurse	Winnifred was born in Basford, she trained as a nurse at Bagthorpe Institute and then trained as a midwife, and later worked in various private clinics and homes.
Dorothy Whipple (nee Stirrup)	1893-1966	Novelist	Dorothy moved to Nottingham in 1917, to marry Henry Whipple, the then Director of Education. She was a prolific and successful novelist.
Miss B Whitby MBE		WW1 work	Miss B Whitby was involved in supplying comforts – food parcels- to the troops during WW1 for which she was awarded an MBE
Sergeant Novie H Williams	?????????	Police sergeant	Novie was the first black woman police sergeant.
Cassandra Willoughby	1670-1735		Duchess of Chandos
Emma Wilmot	1840's	Artist - painter	Emma was the wife of the Duke of Newcastle's agent and painted still recognisable scenes from the Dukeries eg Clumber Park, Worksop Manor and Welbeck Abbey.
Sarah Joanna Williams	1805-1841	Poet	Joanna as she preferred to be known, moved to Mansfield aged 6 with her father who was minister at the Old Meeting House. She wrote 'Sherwood Forest: a poem'.
Contance Woolley OBE		British red Cross	Contance worked for Red Cross at the canteen and was awarded an OBE for her work
Elsie Woods	1900s	Artist	Elsie was born in Nottingham, undertook training in art at the Homerton College, Cambridge, and was a landscape artist. She was an Associate of the Nottingham Society of Artists
Mavis Worthington		Volunteer	Mavis volunteered for Homestart in Nottingham and has had a tram named after her.
Bessie Wright OBE	1913-2003	Nursery nursing	Bessie was the first female Principal of Waverley College of Nursery Nursing in Nottingham, where she set up and championed Nursery Nurse Training

Louisa Wright	1849-1916	Suffragist	Louisa moved to Nottingham and was the president of Mansfield Women's Suffrage Society and one of the committee members of the Nottingham branch
Susannah Wright	1792 -?	Lace worker & ran a bookshop	Susannah was a lace worker charged with unlawfully publishing blasphemous work. On release from prison she opened a radical bookshop on the Hockley
Ada Elizabeth Young	1985-1918	VAD Nurse	Ada was a VAD nurse at Clipstone Camp Military Hospital and died of influenza aged on 33 on 15 th July 1918
Lady Yoxall	Early 1900's	Suffragist	She was part of the East Midlands Federation which went to London Hyde Park on 28 th July 1913 for the rally at the end of the Women's Suffrage Pilgrimage.
Alice Zimmern	1855-1939	Writer & suffragette	Alice was born in Nottingham, went to the Girls High School before studying Classics at Cambridge. She wrote books including on ancient Rome and Greece but also on suffrage.