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will find this an important contribution to ongoing debates in african women s history and african colonial history this 1973 book analyses the changing position of women in an urban context in sub saharan africa in spite of the fact that women at the time of publication were often important leaders of opinion and in these countries the proportion of women in professional work was at least as large as in britain few researchers and even fewer television and newspaper reporters paid them sufficient attention as the new role of women in africa was peculiarly a phenomenon of the city professor little s book uses the concept of urbanization in order to analyse the radical changes taking place he shows how certain women s movements were growing out of the african woman s desire for a new relationship with the man this leads him to consider the part played by women in the political arena and women s position not only in monogamous marriage but also in extra marital and sexual relationships 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Women in African Colonial Histories

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African Women in Towns

1974-02-28

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African Women in Revolution

2007

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African Women in the Development Process

1981

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African Women's Movements

2008-11-10

a radical reassessment of the importance of women in east central african society during the precolonial period

Historical Dictionary of Women in Sub-Saharan Africa

2005

this volume describes and assesses the development of the african training and research centre for women atrcw statistical information on health education and employment are combined with interview material to create an understanding of the realities they face

One is Not a Woman, One Becomes--

1982

a comprehensive overview of the existing literature on gender bringing together important and influential essays from widely disparate sources a valuable collection for scholars and students andrea cornwall is a research fellow at the institute of development studies university of sussex contributors include josephine beoku betts niara sudarkasa obioma nnaemeka rudolf p gaudio timothy burke jane i guyer megan vaughan janet m bujra iris berger barbara cooper deborah gaitskell stephan e meischer bolanle awe jean allman susan geiger published in association with the international african institute north america indiana u press

Women's Authority and Society in Early East-Central Africa

2010

explores the paradoxical image of african women as exceptionally oppressed but also as strong resourceful and rebellious

African Women and Development

1995

reflects the emergence of accomplished works by african women writers north america africa world

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African Women in Towns

1975

a nigerian woman scholar addresses three main areas of literature in gender and women s studies a discipline which has become a vast field of research teaching and activism in africa and beyond she situates african women s studies in the context of international feminism regional political and institutional conditions the study addresses recent publications in the general field of state and politics from precolonial times to the present reviews a range of material grouped under the heading of cultural studies and considers the historical and contemporary literature on all aspects of women s involvement in various spheres of work and the economy finally the author questions the relationship between women s studies and the women s movement in africa

Readings in Gender in Africa

2005

a former head of the ghana national council of women and development here explains from her experience in ghana and other parts of africa during the un decade for women what she believes women s emancipation means to women in africa although discrimination against women is worldwide she believes that because of differences in social educational and cultural backgrounds women have differing perceptions of the meaning of emancipation she discusses pertinent issues such as traditional beliefs and practices which keep women subjugated including bride wealth child marriage polygamy purdah widowhood inheritance of property fertility and female circumcision she also examines specific women in development activities and the role of governmental non governmental and inter governmental organizations

Women in Twentieth-Century Africa

2016-04-26

this book falls into two parts the first part theory comprising theoretical essays on literature women and society leads into the second part practice which presents ogundipe leslie s work as a social activist both parts are linked by her poetry

African women, Pan-Africanism and African renaissance

2015-11-09

an innovative and valuable resource for understanding women s roles in changing societies this book brings together the history of africa the atlantic and gender before the 20th century it explores trade slavery and migration in the context of the euro african encounter

Patriarchy And Class

1988-05-20

the elegists ancient rome s most introspective poets filled their works with vivid first person accounts of dreams emma scioli examines these varied and visually striking textual dreamscapes arguing that the poets exploited dynamics of visual representation to share with readers the intensely personal experience of dreaming

Women of Africa

1989

celebrates the lives cultures and accomplishments of 14 women born between 1850 and 1950 who have influenced african politics literature religion and fashion

African Women in Towns

1973

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Holding the World Together

2019

evaluating the impact of the african women s protocol this important study focuses on three african countries south africa zambia and mozambique and presents a map for the road ahead through careful research and in depth investigation the guide explores in practice the rights ratified for women by the protocol such as reproductive rights the prohibition of female genital mutilation and economic and social welfare rights the rights of particularly vulnerable groups of women including widows elderly women disabled women and women in distress which includes poor women women from marginalized population groups and pregnant or nursing women in detention are specifically recognized

Women in African Literature Today

1987

examination of the living conditions and economic role of women in africa studies colonialism traditional culture and social change the family marriage divorce polygamy and women s rights labour force participation of woman workers and rural women examines population control incl family planning discusses education of women political participation magic and religious practices etc bibliography

Women's Studies and Studies of Women in Africa During the 1990s

1996

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The Emancipation of Women

1991

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Re-creating Ourselves

1994

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A Room of Their Own

2006

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Gendering Ethnicity in African Women's Lives

2015-05-05

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Women and Gender in Southern Africa to 1945

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Women in Africa and the African Diaspora

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