

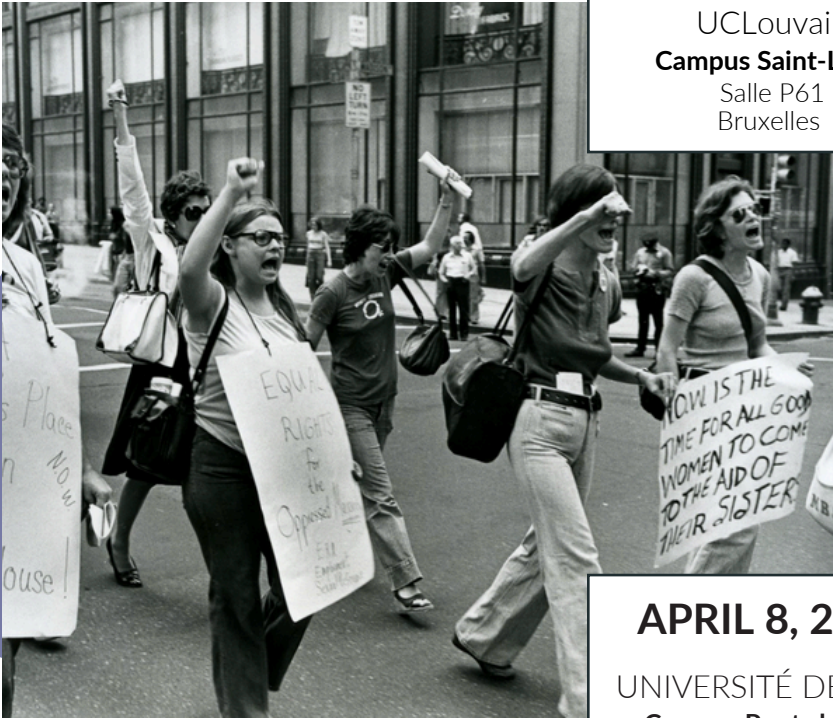
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

MAKING SISTERHOOD?

France - U.S.A, 19th-21th centuries

APRIL 7, 2026

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UNIVERSITÉ DE LILLE
Campus Pont-de-Bois
Maison de la recherche
Villeneuve d'Ascq

PROGRAMME

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

Location: Salle P61, Bâtiment Préfecture, Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels

9:30 - 12 am | PANEL 1

Sisterhood in relations: with/without the family?

Moderated by **Jeanne-Marie ROUX** (UCLouvain)

Kate CULKIN (Bronx Community C.)
A Cat and a Dove: The Role of Conflict in the Emerson Sisters' Partnership

Léa BOMAN (ISJPS)
"From Perfectionist Friendship to Feminist Sisterhood? Ethics and Politics of Disagreement in Transcendentalist Circles"

11 - 11:15 am | Coffee break

Marion OLHARAN LAGAN (UBO)
"#ironsisters": weaponizing sisterhood to enforce the confidence game. The case of Elizabeth Holmes

12:30 - 1:30 pm | Lunch break

ZOOM/TEAMS LINKS

Tuesday, April 7 (Brussels)

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/37931281190690p=sLiSDHLFh9kNtt8YvD>

Wednesday, April 8 (Lille)

<https://univ-lille-fr.zoom.us/j/93727910242pwd=R3YWIEEidXdmJ6myKZWYzqlkXXK1kb.1>

1:30 - 4 pm | PANEL 2

Impossible sisterhoods

Moderated by **Nathalie GRANDJEAN** (UCLouvain)

Hourya BENTOUHAMI (U. Toulouse Jean Jaurès)

The Mourning Sisters or Postcolonial Antigone

Mickaëlle PROVOST (UCLouvain)
La sororité est-elle une promesse ?

3 - 3:15 pm | Coffee break

3:15 - 4 pm

Anaïs NZELOMONA (UPJV)

Entre idéologie et pratiques : penser la sororité au sein du Black Panther Party

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026

Location: Salle des Colloques, Maison de la Recherche (Bâtiment F), Campus Pont de Bois, Rue du Barreau Villeneuve d'Ascq

9 - 12:15 am | PANEL 3

Alliances, Sisterhoods, Solidarities

Moderated by **Mickaëlle PROVOST** (UCLouvain)

Hélène QUANQUIN (U. Lille, IUF)
Sisterhoods across Generations: the Example of Early Feminists in the United States

Camille MASCLLET (CNRS)
Sororité et entre-soi féminin comme supports de transformation féministe chez les militantes de la 2^e vague en France

10:30-10:45 am | Coffee break

Milène LE GOFF (U. de Lille, U. Libre de Bruxelles)
"International Sisterhood is Powerful"? Feminist Solidarities around the 1976 International Tribunal on Crimes against Women

DaMaris HILL (Morgan State U.)
Continuities and Ruptures: Solidarities, Sisterhood and Solos

12:15-1:30 pm | Lunch break

1:30-3:45 pm | PANEL 4

Sites and practices

Moderated by **Hélène QUANQUIN** (U. Lille, IUF)

Wendy HALGAND (U. Lille)
The Power and Limits of Sisterhood in Challenging Gender Inequalities in the US Music Industry (Women's Audio Mission, EqualizeHer, Women in Music)

PANEL 4 (continued)

Clara-Louise MOURIER (U. Lille, U. Paris Cité)
Sisterhood and/or Kinship: Human and Non-Human Communities in the Novels of Sally Miller Gearhart and Jean Hegland

Judy TZU-CHUN WU (UC Irvine)
Moving Mountains: Asian American Feminisms and the 1977 National Women's Conference

3:45 - 4 pm | Coffee break

4:00 - 5:30 pm
Master's students roundtable

Moderated by **Sabrina Bouyagui** (U. Lille)

Louison MORU (U. Lille)
"A Sisterhood of Work, Play and Power.": Black Lesbian Feminist Reflections on sisterhood (1970s-1980s)

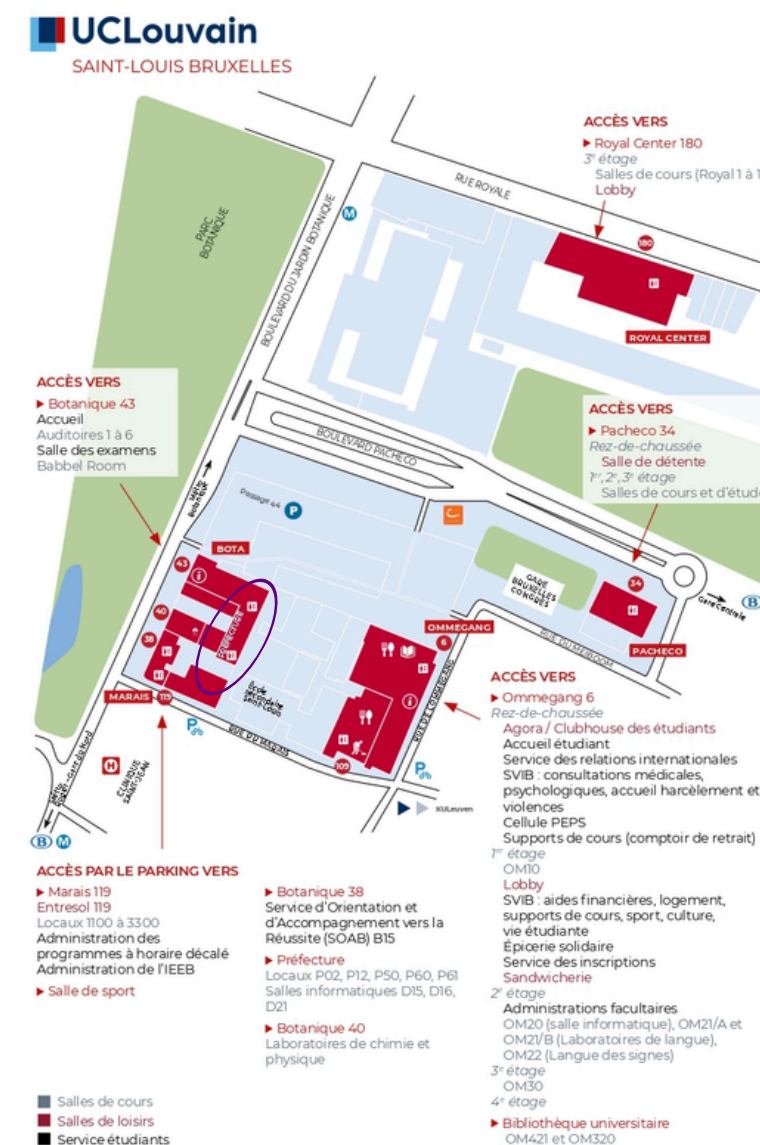
Inès Serra (U. Lille)
Photographing Sisterhood: Diana Mara Henry (b. 1948), Official Photographer for the First National Women's Conference (Houston, 1977)

Maëlys Cuvelier (U. Lille)
Sisterhood and Abolitionism: Women in the Underground Railroad, 1830s-1860s

Sarah Anastasion (U. Lille)
« Women We're Our Best Allies »: Representing Female Solidarity in The Sex Lives of College Girls (HBO, 2021-2025)

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