Contributing to the Representation of Women Artists in Wikidata

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Wikidata

**Multilingual Knowledge Base** Stores Structured Linked Data **CC0 License** Launched in 2012 by Wikimedia Deutschland **Read by Humans and Machines** Central Repository for Wikimedia Projects ~60 Million Items
Judy Chicago (Q441440)...

American artist
Judy Cohen | Judy Gerowitz | Judith Gerowitz

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In more languages
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English | Judy Chicago | American artist

Judy Chicago (born July 20, 1939) is an American feminist artist, author, and educator.

Attributed
- Because we are denied knowledge of our history, we are deprived of standing upon each other's shoulders and building upon each other's hard earned accomplishments. Instead we are condemned to repeat what others have done before us and thus we continually reinvent the wheel. The goal of The Dinner Party is to break this cycle.
Visibility of Women in Wikimedia Projects

- WikiProject Women in Red
- WikiProject Women

Gender gap in Wikidata

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Wikidata Gender Gap Tool: [https://www.denelezh.org/gender-gap/](https://www.denelezh.org/gender-gap/)
Female Cuban Artists Project

• #100 wikidays challenge on Wikidata
  [https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:100wikidatadays]

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Indiana Women Artists Project Background

• Use resources from the Indianapolis Museum of Art documenting women contributions to the visual arts field

• Create entries in Wikidata for Hoosier women in an effort to bridge the gender gap
Project Outcomes

- Artists (New), 14
- Artists (Enhanced), 7
- Given Names (New), 2
- Cemeteries (New), 4
- Family Names (New), 2
- Newspaper (New), 1
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Lessons Learned

• Finding biographical information about women artists is challenging

• Finding reliable resources is difficult

“Making a career as an artist in Indiana has never been easy, but making a career as a female artist in Indiana traditionally has been even harder.”
Q19279214!