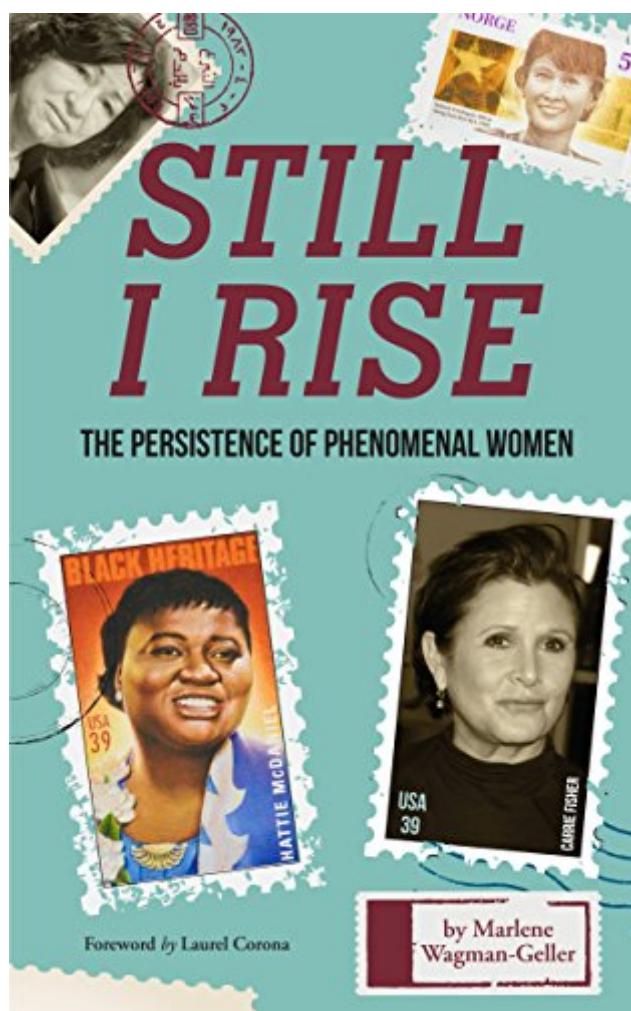


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# Still I Rise: The Persistence Of Phenomenal Women



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Who are the great women leaders in history? Who are the women heroes who personify "girl power"? Intrepid women heroes: When Nelson Mandela was imprisoned in South Africa's brutal Robben Prison, he tirelessly turned to the poem *Invictus*. The inspirational verse by the Victorian William Ernest Henley, penned on the occasion of the amputation of his leg. Still I Rise takes its title from a work by Maya Angelou and it resonates with the same spirit of an unconquerable soul, a woman who is captain of her fate. Just as *Invictus* brought solace to generations so does the contemporary classic. Still I Rise embodies the strength of character of the inspiring women profiled. Each chapter will outline the fall and rise of great women heroes who smashed all obstacles, rather than let all obstacles smash them. The book offers hope to those undergoing their own Sisyphean struggles. Intrepid women heroes are the antithesis of the traditional damsels in distress; rather than waiting for the prince, they took salvation into their own hands. Celebrate girl power! Women leaders in history celebrated in this book include: Madame C. J. Walker-first female American millionaire Aung San Suu Kyi-Burma's first lady of freedom Betty Shabazz-civil rights activist Nellie Sachs-Holocaust survivor and Nobel Prize recipient Selma Lagerlof-first woman Nobel Laureate Fannie Lou Hamer-American voting rights activist Bessie Coleman-first African-American female pilot Wilma Randolph-first woman to win three gold medals Sonia Sotomayor-first Hispanic Supreme Court justice Wangari Maathai-Nobel Prize winner Winnifred Mandela-freedom fighter Lois Wilson-founder of Al-Anon Roxanne Quimby-co-founder of Burt's Bees

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