

## Films:

- **Bridget's Story: Fighting to Survive Anorexia** (Films for the Humanities and Sciences, 23 min.) focuses on one woman's battle with anorexia. This distributor has a number of other videos on eating disorders as well.
- **The Date Rape Backlash** (Media Education Foundation, 60 min.) This video explores the backlash of disbelief about date rape, and includes interviews with pioneering researchers such as Mary Koss, bell hooks, and Neil Malamuth.
- **Defending Our Lives** (Cambridge Documentary Films, 30 min.). This is a powerful documentary about domestic violence. It has won a number of awards, including the 1993 Academy Award for Best Short Subject Documentary. Cambridge Documentary Films.
- **Ethnic Notions** (Insight Media, 56 min.) This film provides an excellent, eye-opening analysis of stereotypes about people of color. It focuses on the U.S. from the pre-Civil War period to the present. Although the film concentrates on stereotypes about African Americans, the points it raises generalize to other ethnic groups as well. You could also ask them for a feminist critique of the video after they've seen it. It focuses on Black men and discusses only one stereotype of Black women.
- **Fire Eyes** (Filmmakers Library, 60 min.). Soraya Mire, a Somali woman who has immigrated to the U.S., produced this moving documentary on female circumcision, including infibulation. The video evokes strong emotions in viewers. Give a brief description of the video in advance and tell students that they are not required to view it if they feel it will be too stressful, or that they are free to close their eyes for a few minutes if certain scenes are too disturbing. For example, there are a couple of minutes of footage of an actual circumcision being performed on a girl in Africa.
- **Latina Women** (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, 25 min.). This film looks at differences between the U.S. Latina and her Latin American and North American white counterparts. It includes a profile of a Latina feminist.
- **Heroes and Strangers** (New Day Films, 29 min.) This award-winning film explores the roles of fathers in the family.
- **Killing Us Softly** (Cambridge Documentary Films, 1979, 30 min.), a thought-provoking feminist analysis of women's image in the media. (Cambridge definitely has some of the best videos on women and gender)
- **Still Killing Us Softly** (Cambridge Documentary Films, 1987, 32 min.), an update of the above movie
- **Killing Us Softly 4** (Media Education Foundation, 2010, 45 min.) is the most recent update in the series. Media Education Foundation is another one of the best sources of films on women and gender.
- **The Men's Movement** (Films for the Humanities and Sciences, 29 min.) explores the modern men's movement in all its facets ranging from the Promise Keepers to the Million Man March.
- **Rape Culture** (Cambridge Documentary Films, 35 min.) This powerful film explores cultural attitudes toward rape, including images in movies, rape in war, interviews with Prisoners Against Rape, and rapists.

- **Rape: Face to Face** (Filmmakers Library, 55 min.) An excellent film on rape, featuring a discussion between 3 male rapists and 3 women who have been raped (by other men).
- **SAFE: Inside a Battered Women's Shelter** (Films for the Humanities & Science, 49 min.) presents the experiences of three women who sought to escape domestic violence by taking refuge at a safe house. This same distributor also has **Battered Women: Under Siege** and **Battered Women: Fighting Back**.
- **Slaying the Dragon** (Women Make Movies, 60 min.) This is an excellent film on Asian American women. It covers a wide variety of topics, including images of Asians and Asian Americans in films in the 1930s (the Dragon Lady, roles played by whites) and 1940s (anti-Japanese sentiment, sympathetic toward Chinese), the geisha, the work of new Asian American filmmakers, and the Connie Chung phenomenon (all Asian American women newscasters are supposed to look just like Connie Chung, and to be intelligent and docile). We show this film and *Ethnic Notions* together in the same week when we discuss ethnic heritage and women of color.
- **The Third Sex** (Films for the Humanities and Sciences, 53 min.) examines intersexuality through four case studies of individuals from different cultures.
- **The Wrong Idea: A Cross-Cultural Training Program About Sexual Harassment** (University of Minnesota production, 20 min.) This tape shows a series of vignettes in which sexual harassment occurs. It is designed to be stopped for discussion after each vignette and comes with a detailed instructor's guide. It could be used equally well in training male faculty or male or female students. It is noteworthy in showing racial diversity among the actors, as well as addressing issues of racial stereotyping.
- **Tough Guise** (Media Education Foundation, 32 min.) examines the relationship between media images and the male role. We use this one regularly and students find it eye-opening.
- **Warrior Marks** (Women Make Movies, 54 min.). This is Alice Walker's documentary on female genital mutilation.

#### Other videos:

- **Alice Dreger Ted Talk: Is Anatomy Destiny?** [In this 18 minute Ted Talk, historian Alice Dreger talks about her work with people at the "edge of anatomy," such as conjoined twins and intersexed people. In her observation, it's often a fuzzy line between male and female, among other anatomical distinctions. She asks the question: "Why do we let our anatomy determine our fate?"]  
[http://www.ted.com/talks/alice\\_dreger\\_is\\_anatomy\\_destiny.html](http://www.ted.com/talks/alice_dreger_is_anatomy_destiny.html)
- **Dove ad: No Wonder Our Perception of Beauty is Distorted** [This 1-minute long video shows a model being transformed for a billboard photoshoot]  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=hibyAJOSW8U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=hibyAJOSW8U)
- **Fotoshop by Adobe mock ad** [This 2-minute parody of a Photoshop ad, targeting society's standards of beauty]  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S\\_vVUIYOmJM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S_vVUIYOmJM)

- **Gender Inequity: A Global Perspective (Ted Talk)** [This 18 minute Ted Talk features author Sheryl WuDunn speaking about worldwide oppression of women]  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=hFgPtuzgw4o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=hFgPtuzgw4o)
- **Killing Us Softly: Advertising's Image of Women** [This 5 minute trailer of *Killing Us Softly 4* challenges the sexualization of women in advertising and how the media is affecting women's body image]  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=jWKXit\\_3rpQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=jWKXit_3rpQ)
- **Madeleine Albright: On Being a Woman and a Diplomat** [This 12-minute Ted Talk features former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright speaking bluntly about politics and diplomacy, making the case that women's issues deserve a place at the center of foreign policy. Far from being a "soft" issue, she says, women's issues are often the very hardest ones, dealing directly with life and death]  
[http://www.ted.com/talks/madeleine\\_albright\\_on\\_being\\_a\\_woman\\_and\\_a\\_diplomat.html](http://www.ted.com/talks/madeleine_albright_on_being_a_woman_and_a_diplomat.html)
- **The Oscars and the Bechdel Test (female representation in movies):** This video reviews the 2011 films nominated for Best Picture at the 84th annual Academy Awards and see how they measure up to the Bechdel Test (i.e. 2 women talking to each other about something other than a man) <http://youtu.be/PH8JuizlXw8>
- **Philip Zimbardo- The Demise of Guys?** [This 4-minute Ted Talk features psychologist Philip Zimbardo asks "Why are boys struggling?" He shares some stats (lower graduation rates, greater worries about intimacy and relationships), suggests a few reasons and challenges the community to think about solutions]  
<http://www.ted.com/talks/zimchallenge?language=en>
- **Would you Stop Sexual Harassment at Dinner?** [This 8 minute clip from the show "What Would You Do?" features a staged scenario in which the manager makes sexual overtures to a new female employee, and the real-life restaurant guests' reactions are filmed [https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=euXzkLZQPRY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=euXzkLZQPRY)

#### Commercials:

- **Campari Red Passion commercial (gender and performance):**  
<http://youtu.be/EAZhdrB8cjA>
- **Pepsi Max "I'm Good" Commercial (tough men):** <http://youtu.be/5HK9DOXqlzo>

More video links and resources here:

<http://www.understandingprejudice.org/multimedia/sexism.htm>