International Women’s Day (March 8) is recognized by groups around the world. This date is commemorated at the United Nations and is designated in many countries as a national holiday. When women on all continents, often divided by national boundaries and by ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic, or political differences, come together to celebrate this day, they can reflect on a tradition that represents more than one hundred years of struggle for equality, justice, peace, and development. This is the 12th annual celebration at UNC Charlotte.

Welcome
Christina Sanchez
Office of International Programs

History & Recognition of 2017 Honorees
Kate Poisson, Office of International Programs
Amanda Pipkin, Department of History

The Charlotteans: UNC Charlotte’s Women’s Glee
Director: Ginger Wyrick
Warrior - Kim Baryluk, Canada
Arirang - Traditional Folk Song, Korea

Keynote: Visions and Voices of Woman Power
Dr. Eylem Atakav, Scholar & Filmmaker

Eylem Atakav is Senior Lecturer in Film and Television Studies at the University of East Anglia where she teaches courses on women and film; women, Islam and media; and Middle Eastern media. She is the author of Women and Turkish Cinema: Gender Politics, Cultural Identity and Representation (2012), and editor of Directory of World Cinema: Turkey (Intellect, 2013). Growing Up Married was her first exposure to filmmaking. She is currently co-leading an Arts and Humanities Research Council-funded project entitled British [Muslim] Values.

Thank You & Closing

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2017 International Women’s Day Honorees

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Lyvie Alvinzy, Staff, Facilities Management
Natasha Andersen, Student, International Studies
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Amy Der, Student, Chemistry
Amanda Dexter, Faculty, Kineseology
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