

# STRONG-MINDED WOMEN

## WHERE NEXT ?

**READING & INTERNET SITES** – Check your local library and bookshops for further reading on women featured in this course.

- ❖ [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) (online bookshop) has excellent search facilities, especially on older books.
- ❖ One of the best general Victorian websites is at [www.victorianweb.org](http://www.victorianweb.org).
- ❖ [www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk](http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk) a British educational website has excellent biographies and bibliographies – useful to track down books by or about the women featured.
- ❖ Just for fun try [www.bbc.co.uk/history/society\\_culture/women](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/society_culture/women) and have a go at the Women's Rights game; the BBC website has excellent links.
- ❖ The Victorian Women Writers Project, a US website, is on [www.Indiana.edu/~letrs/vwwp/](http://www.Indiana.edu/~letrs/vwwp/) interesting information on 19<sup>th</sup> female writers.
- ❖ [www.questia.com](http://www.questia.com) a US website has transcripts of many books, leaflets and publications available online by subscription.

Always remember to double-check the information obtained via the Internet – errors abound!

**JOIN** – the Victorian Society – 1 Prior Gardens, London W4 1TT website : [www.victoriansociety.org.uk](http://www.victoriansociety.org.uk). Fantastic dayschools, visits and lectures held all over the country. Example – Poppyland : Arts & Crafts Summer Houses in North Norfolk (23 – 25 March 2007).

**STUDY** – step further back and consider the Georgian era, or come forward and investigate the Edwardians/The Great War. Other linked topics might be:

- Women's Suffrage in 20<sup>th</sup> century
- Costume and Custom – dress through the ages
- Victorian Politics

If there is nothing currently available through the WEA, try asking – demand creates supply.

University of Cambridge, Institute of Continuing Education at Madingley Hall  
Tel (01954) 280280 – residential/non-residential weekend courses 2007

*Re-reading the Brontes : Transgressive Voices* – Dr. Simon Avery 15-17 June 2007  
*Trollope's The Way we Live Now* – Dr. Ulrike Horstmann-Guthrie 29 June – 01 July 2007

### VISIT:

- The Octavia Hill Birthplace Museum, South Brink, Wisbech – story of her life & works with links to John Ruskin and the National Trust.
- Museum of Costume, Bath – current exhibition on 'Pockets of History' Website at [www.museumofcostume.co.uk](http://www.museumofcostume.co.uk) or tel. 01225 455867
- National Portrait Gallery, St. Martin's Place, London – website at [www.npg.org.uk](http://www.npg.org.uk) or tel 020 7306 0055 – forthcoming exhibition 'Face of Fashion' Feb- May 2007.
- Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew – exhibition of paintings by Marianne North – celebrated traveller and artist – housed in small building, near the Temperate House.