



The Women's EXPO is presented by the **Middle Country Library Foundation**. The Foundation supports the

Library's regional and national initiatives that involve the Library beyond its local service area. For more than two decades, the Library has been recognized for its leadership in developing community coalitions and networks, and initiating collaborative projects that address the needs of individuals, families, organizations and businesses. The Library's **Miller Business Resource Center**, funded in part by the Foundation, focuses on strengthening economic development within the region by meeting the information needs of the business community, providing opportunities for networking, and sponsoring training and education events in partnership with Long Island businesses and the organizations that support them. The **Women's EXPO** is an extension of this collaborative work.



The **Women's EXPO** was founded in partnership with the L I Fund for Women & Girls out of a shared vision of promoting economic independence for women.

The Fund is dedicated to helping women and girls build a world of compassion, equality, safety and justice; a world where women are paid equitably for their work, live without fear of violence, have equal voices in the political process and serve as the primary decision makers about issues that affect them. The Fund promotes a philanthropic response to gender-based inequities through a program of grantmaking, assisting women to reach their potential as philanthropists and highlighting, for the broader community, issues adversely affecting women and girls.

The **Long Island Fund for Women & Girls** remains connected with the **Women's EXPO** which it helped to establish and nurture through the involvement of its board members and its participation in the **EXPO's** educational mission and activities.

Women's EXPO
c/o Middle Country Library Foundation
101 Eastwood Blvd.
Centereach, NY 11720-2745



11TH ANNUAL



**THURSDAY,
OCTOBER 6, 2011**
11 AM TO 6 PM

**Middle Country Public Library -
Centereach**

101 EASTWOOD BLVD., CENTEREACH NY 11720
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EXHIBITOR APPLICATION KIT

**Showcasing and Selling
Products
Created or Distributed
by
Long Island Women**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE
JUNE 30, 2011**

"Wonderful venue, well run, friendly atmosphere, just a joyous experience. I'll be back!!"

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"Great show, very well organized, wonderful help and hospitality!"

About the Women's EXPO

A Marketplace of Products by Women Entrepreneurs

Our 11th annual event will bring together women artisans, importers, designers, and distributors.


This is an opportunity to showcase and sell your products: jewelry, clothing, fine art, basketry, painting, photography, sculpture, ceramics, wood/metal/glass works, items for children and men, stationery, specialty food items, candles, cosmetics, toiletries and skin care products.

We will be advertising this event through our extensive networks to attract buyers enthusiastic about supporting local women. The **Women's EXPO** will provide an exciting marketplace within the dynamic Middle Country Public Library, offering three major display areas, each configured to maximize customer access so that you can:

- display and sell your products,
- meet other artisans and small business owners, *and*
- network with women who are successful within the social action and business communities.

Selection Process

 A Selection Committee will review applications and focus on accepting a broad range of products that demonstrate quality, uniqueness, a range of prices and product type, and provide an opportunity to showcase the wonderful diversity that has become part of Long Island culture.


 We hope that you share our enthusiasm for this exciting venture. **Please complete the attached application by June 30, 2011.** Since exhibition space is limited, we recommend a prompt reply.

Please note vendors are limited to women living or working in Nassau and Suffolk Counties.




Please apply now!


How to Apply

 Complete the application, including the EXPO Agreement, and send with slides or photographs of your work (*returning vendors need not submit slides/photographs unless your product has changed*), along with a self addressed stamped envelope to:


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 You will be notified by mail of your acceptance no later than August 8, 2011.

 There is a single \$100 exhibitor fee made payable with this application to: **Women's EXPO**

If you are not selected, this check will be returned to you. If selected, this will be your only fee for participating in the EXPO!

 Direct any questions to:
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"Best show that I participate in!"