



presents a Women's History Month benefit performance

# Laurie James in Men, Women & Margaret Fuller



## Wednesday, March 28, 7:00pm

at Maddox Theatre, Rockford College, 5050 E. State St.

Adults \$25 Students \$10

Ticket info: 815-877-0118 or [womanspace-rockford.org](http://womanspace-rockford.org)

Come discover what was left out of our history books at this live performance honoring the mother of the women's movement. Lost in a shipwreck in 1850 at age 40, Margaret Fuller was a world celebrity – her era's Gloria Steinem. She is perhaps our earliest foremother, and influenced thousands, including Susan B. Anthony, Emerson, and Thoreau, with her groundbreaking book, *Woman in the Nineteenth Century*. Then *Summer on the Lakes* chronicled her pioneering trip here in 1843.

Laying the groundwork for the women's rights movement in the U.S., Fuller was the:

- First American to write a book about equality for women
- First woman permitted inside Harvard Library for research
- First woman literary critic
- First woman journalist at Horace Greeley's *New York Daily Tribune*
- First editor of *The Dial* magazine, voice of the Transcendentalists
- First woman foreign correspondent & professional war correspondent

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*Author & actress Laurie James promotes women's issues with her original acclaimed solo dramas about Margaret Fuller & Elizabeth Cady Stanton. She has performed Off-Broadway, throughout the US, and around the world. Laurie's book Men, Women, and Margaret Fuller won the non-fiction award from the New York Foundation for the Arts. Her current project, Heartblood, is a play about the controversial issues of female genital mutilation (FGM).*