

# LEFT ON PEARL

## Women Take Over 888 Memorial Drive Documentary Film Screening



*LEFT ON PEARL* is a documentary about a highly significant but little-known event in the history of the women's liberation movement, the 1971 takeover and occupation of a Harvard University-owned building by hundreds of Boston area women. The ten-day occupation of 888 Memorial Drive by women demanding a Women's Center and low income housing for the community in which the building stood embodied within it many of the hopes, triumphs, conflicts and tensions of Second Wave feminism. One of the few such takeovers by women for women, this action was transformative for the participants and led directly to the establishment of the longest continuously operating Women's Center in the U.S. Rochelle Ruthchild, executive director of the film, will attend the screening and facilitate a discussion. Dr. Ruthchild was a participant in the events described in the film. She is now a scholar of Russian women's history and a Resident Scholar at the Brandeis University Women's Studies Research Center.

**TUESDAY**  
March 10, 2020

**4:30 - 6 PM**

**Location:**  
Jefferson 218



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