

# The Unseen Struggle: Essays By Mary Starks Whitehouse, Janet Adler, and Joan Chodorow

In this groundbreaking collection of essays, three pioneering feminists explore the hidden dynamics of power and inequality in our society. Mary Starks Whitehouse, Janet Adler, and Joan Chodorow draw on their own experiences and research to provide a nuanced and insightful analysis of the ways in which gender, race, and class intersect to create and maintain systems of oppression.



## Authentic Movement: Essays by Mary Starks Whitehouse, Janet Adler and Joan Chodorow

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Whitehouse's essay, "The Oppression of Women: A Historical Perspective," traces the roots of women's oppression to the patriarchal societies of ancient Greece and Rome. She argues that the subordination of women has been a constant feature of human history, and that it has only been in the past few centuries that women have begun to challenge this oppression.

Adler's essay, "The Intersection of Race and Gender," examines the ways in which racism and sexism intersect to create a unique form of oppression for women of color. She argues that women of color face a double jeopardy, as they are discriminated against both because of their race and because of their gender.

Chodorow's essay, "The Reproduction of Mothering," explores the ways in which the institution of motherhood reproduces gender inequality. She argues that the traditional division of labor within the family, in which women are responsible for childcare and housework, reinforces the idea that women are naturally suited to be caregivers. This, in turn, limits women's opportunities in the workplace and other spheres of public life.

The Unseen Struggle is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the complex and deeply entrenched nature of oppression in our society. Whitehouse, Adler, and Chodorow offer a powerful and persuasive analysis of the ways in which gender, race, and class intersect to create and maintain systems of inequality. This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to work towards a more just and equitable world.

## **Reviews**

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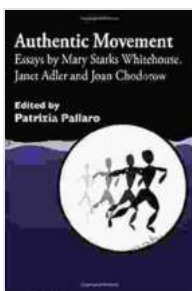
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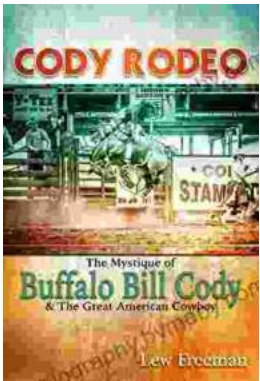
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