



# Women in the Middle Passage:

## Gender, Slavery, and the Problem of Writing History

All men, women, and children captured and ensnared in the trans-Atlantic slave trade were subjected to the unspeakable horrors of the Middle Passage, but women were particularly vulnerable to the violence and disorientation of the slave ship. We can learn a great deal about what slavery and the middle passage meant for all people by asking what it meant for women. In this talk, I explore the experiences of women in capture, transport, and sale in order to ask larger questions about how difficult it is to write their history—and what we stand to learn by doing so.

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