Women’s History of Portland & Oregon

A Selected Bibliography

This bibliography lists sources for the history of women in Portland, Oregon, and the Pacific Northwest. A brief list of selected general Portland and Oregon historical studies follows the main bibliography.

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