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shows that this was by no means the case. Highlighting the opportunities available to women with talent in the eighteenth century, Dr. Johnson's *Women* makes clear just how impressive and varied their achievements were

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