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Dr. Corinne Lathrop Gilb (1925 - 2003)

Born in Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada of American parents, Corinne Lathrop was educated in Canadian schools through the third grade. She moved with her family to Washington State when she was eight years old, and received her B.A. (Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude) from the University of Washington. She met her future husband Tyrell Gilb at the University of Washington, and they married in 1945.

She was accepted to graduate school at Radcliffe College where she received her Ph.D. in the interdisciplinary program, "History of American Civilization". After moving to California from Cambridge, she received her M.A. from the University of California at Berkeley, and attended Boalt Hall School of Law for three years as a special student.

She taught history at the university level for 37 years, retiring as Professor Emeritus from Wayne State University in 1994.

The first director of UC Berkeley's Regional Cultural (Oral) History Project, her interviews with early Teamster leaders and key figures in the 1934 San Francisco labor strike remain seminal research sources in libraries throughout the country.

As Planning Director for the City of Detroit under Mayor Coleman Young, she produced the 1985 Master Plan for the City's future.

She also served as consultant to the California legislature, delegate to NGO meetings at the United Nations, and Vice President of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations.

A dynamic public speaker who had an international following, Dr. Gilb is best known as the author of *Hidden Hierarchies: The Professions and Government*. Selections of her other writings can be found in *Toward Holistic History: The Odyssey of an Interdisciplinary Historian*, published by Atherton Press.

Corinne Lathrop Gilb, Official Website

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Additional Resources on life and work Dr. Corinne Lathrop Gilb

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