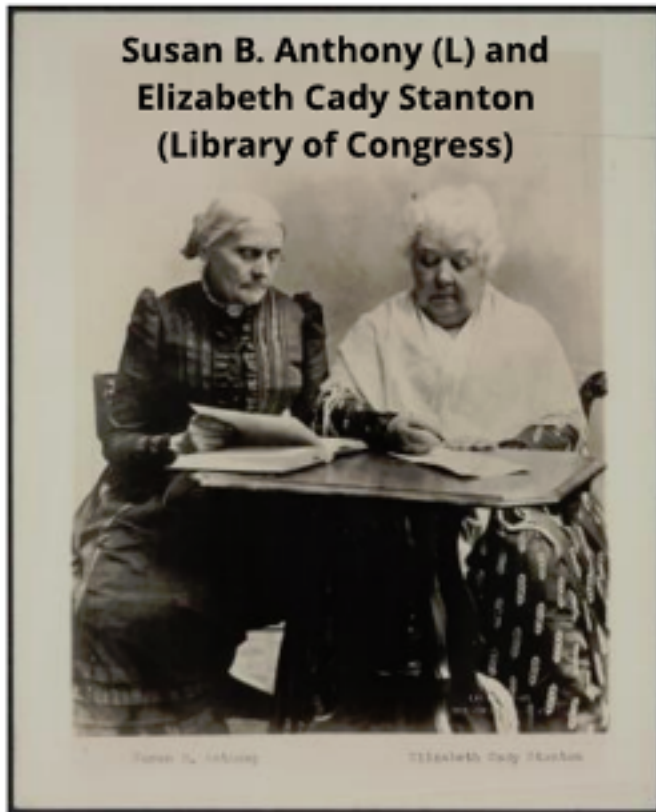




Women's Suffrage Supplement

Santa Cruz County Branch, American Association of University Women

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Alice Paul (Library of Congress)



College Day in the Picket Line (Library of Congress)

Women's Suffrage Centennial - August 26th

August 26 marks the 100th anniversary of the enactment of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote in 1920. Some history follows and links to virtual events you may wish to check out.

The woman suffrage movement actually began in 1848, when a women's rights convention was held in Seneca Falls, New York. The Seneca Falls meeting was not the first in support of women's rights, but suffragists later viewed it as the meeting that launched the suffrage movement. For the next 50 years, woman suffrage supporters worked to educate the public about the validity of woman suffrage. Under the leadership of Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and other women's rights pioneers, suffragists circulated petitions and lobbied Congress to pass a constitutional amendment to enfranchise women.

At the turn of the century, women reformers in the club movement and in the settlement house movement wanted to pass reform legislation. However, many politicians were unwilling to listen to a disenfranchised group. Thus, over time women began to realize that in order to achieve reform, they needed to win the right to vote. For these reasons, at the turn of the century, the woman suffrage movement became a mass movement.

In the 20th century, leadership of the suffrage movement passed to two organizations. The first, the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA), under the leadership of Carrie Chapman Catt, was a moderate organization. The NAWSA undertook campaigns to enfranchise women in individual states, and simultaneously lobbied President Wilson and Congress to pass a woman suffrage Constitutional Amendment. In the 1910s, NAWSA's membership numbered in the millions.

The second group, the National Woman's Party (NWP), under the leadership of Alice Paul, was a more militant organization. The NWP undertook radical actions, including picketing the White House, in order to convince Wilson and Congress to pass a woman suffrage amendment.

In 1920, due to the combined efforts of the NAWSA and the NWP, the 19th Amendment, enfranchising women, was finally ratified. This victory is considered the most significant achievement of women in the Progressive Era. It was the single largest extension of democratic voting rights in our nation's history, and it was achieved peacefully, through democratic processes.

Source: National Women's History Museum

The Suffrage Centennial Celebration Extended to August 26, 2021

Across the nation, many events have been moved to virtual celebrations due to the current pandemic. Others have been tentatively rescheduled for next year.

There are many online sites to peruse and study. There are exhibits that offer some virtual touring online as well. So much to explore!

California 2020 Women's Suffrage Project

<https://cawomenssuffrageproject.org>

National Votes for Women Trail

<https://ncwhs.org/votes-for-women-trail/>

Women's Vote Centennial

<https://www.womensvote100.org/>

Centennial Exhibits

<https://www.2020centennial.org/exhibits-2>

Updated Suffrage Gazette Celebrates What Women Achieved

In keeping with an expanded online presence and the promotion of the 2020 Women's Suffrage Centennial, the National Women's History Alliance has produced Volume 2 of the "Women Win the Vote" Gazette, now available for free download (PDF): [Women Win the Vote](#)

Despite the interruption of the pandemic, celebrations of women's historic achievement in winning the 19th Amendment will not be silenced. Suffragists, too, faced a deadly virus—while trying to win the key state of New York in 1917. Their strength and perseverance is our inspiration.

This updated 28-page "Women Win the Vote" Gazette is a treasure chest full of national news, links to groups in every state, and hundreds of links to exceptional women's history and suffrage-related resources. There are listings and links to museum shows and websites, educational projects, toolkits, statues and memorials, historic sites, online exhibits and curriculum, special educational and voting projects, plays, musicals, films, videos, books, suffrage music, songwriters, artists, performers and more.

WORTH CHECKING OUT! Women's Suffrage, Famous Women: podcasts, movies, websites and more



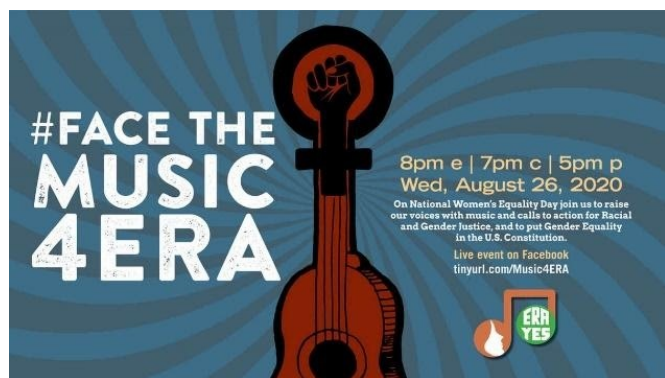
She Votes! is the definitive podcast on the women's suffrage movement.

100 years ago, the 19th Amendment was ratified. But American women's battle for the ballot began long before that day in August—and continues, even to this day. She Votes! digs into the complex history of the women's suffrage movement and its enduring significance, hosted by award-winning journalists Ellen Goodman and Lynn Sherr.

<https://www.shevotespodcast.com/>



INTO LIGHT brings to life Inez Milholland, one of the leaders of the suffrage movement in 1916. In the clutches of terminal illness, she steels herself for the final speech of her tour—rallying the nation to give women the right to vote. Though President Wilson and most of the voting men see the cause as a threat, still she persists. As her galvanizing speech reaches a fever pitch, she suddenly collapses. The doctor insists she rush to the hospital, but nothing will stop her—or the tide of equality. Coming soon. While waiting for the release of this biopic short, be sure to [watch the trailer!](#)



National Virtual Online Music Concert

to

Celebrate 100 Years of Women's Suffrage

**Women's Equality Day: Wednesday, August 26, 2020
@ 5pm PT**

tinyurl.com/Music4ERA

LIVE on this Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/894488094294679/>



Look Up to Her: Women on Mt. Rushmore—The faces of Suffragists and Female Trailblazers from Abigail Adams to Rosa Parks will be projected next to the male faces in late-August and September. Look for live stream.

<https://lookuptoher.com/>



THE VOTE on PBS (Originally aired July 7, 2020)

<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/films/vote/>

One hundred years after the passage of the 19th Amendment, *The Vote* tells the dramatic culmination story of the hard-fought campaign waged by American women for the right to vote — a transformative cultural and political movement that resulted in the largest expansion of voting rights in U.S. history.

In its final decade, from 1909 to 1920, movement leaders wrestled with contentious questions about the most effective methods for affecting social change. They debated the use of militant, even violent tactics, as well as hunger strikes and relentless public protests. The battle for the vote also upended previously accepted ideas about the proper role of women in American society and challenged the definitions of citizenship and democracy.

Exploring how and why millions of 20th-century Americans mobilized for — and against — women's suffrage, *The Vote* brings to life the unsung leaders of the movement and the deep controversies over gender roles and race that divided Americans then — and continue to dominate political discourse today.



UNLADYLIKE2020 on PBS

From March 4 through August 26, 2020, UNLADYLIKE2020 is releasing 26 short films and a broadcast hour on PBS American Masters profiling diverse and little-known American women from the turn of the 20th century, and contemporary women who follow in their footsteps. The latest releases appear at: <https://unladylike2020.com>



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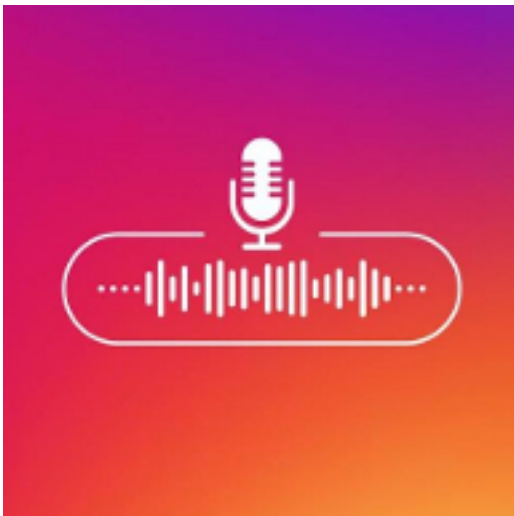
Pioneer - Rebel - Genius.

Radioactive is the incredible, true-story of Marie Curie and her Nobel Prize-winning work that changed the world starring Rosamund Pike and Sam Riley.

Streaming now on Amazon Prime.

Released on July 24, 2020

Rated PG-13; 110 minutes

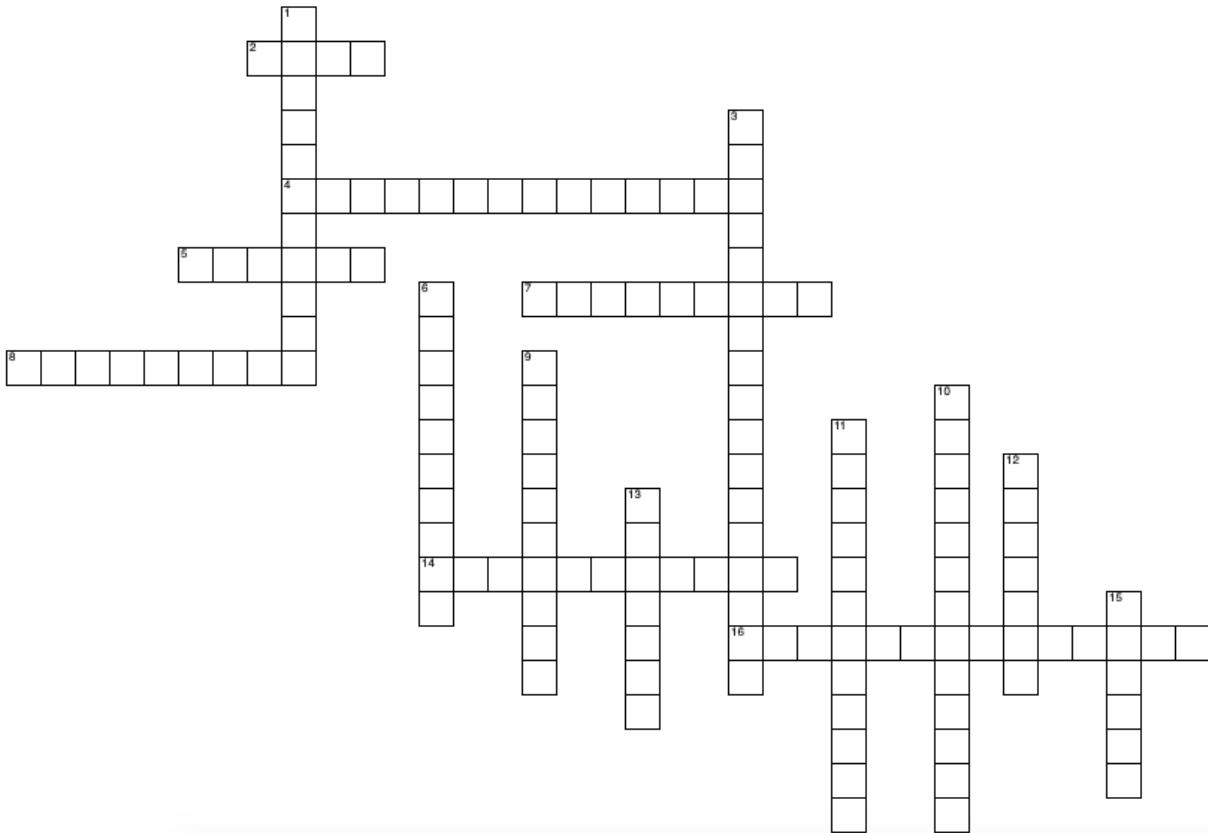


13 PODCASTS THAT'LL TEACH YOU THE WOMEN'S HISTORY YOUR SCHOOL BOOKS DIDN'T (Source: Bustle.com)

<https://tinyurl.com/y552sqht>

Centennial Crossword Puzzle

Put your knowledge to the test with this crossword puzzle on the U.S. women's suffrage movement.



ACROSS

2. One of the colors associated with the suffrage movement and the centennial.
4. Alice Paul was the chief organizer for this massive event in Washington, D.C. in 1913.
5. This is one of the three National Woman's Party colors.
7. One of the founders of the National Woman's Party.
8. The key suffrage figure who authored the Equal Rights Amendment in 1923.
14. The location in NY where Elizabeth Cady Stanton presented the Declaration of Sentiments.
16. This powerful speaker delivered the impactful "Ain't I a Woman?" speech.

DOWN

1. Women in this town in Minnesota were the first women to vote under the 19th Amendment.
3. The famous abolitionist who spoke at the Seneca Falls Convention.
6. A person advocating for women's voting rights was called this.
9. This amendment was focused on women's voting rights.
10. The final year of her NAWSA presidency was 1900.
11. The fraction of states that must ratify an amendment in the U.S. before it becomes law.
12. The state where Elizabeth Cady Stanton was born.
13. This number of states/territories gave women full voting rights between 1869 and 1919.
15. The 19th Amendment became law in this month.

To check your answers, go to: <https://www.2020centennial.org/puzzleanswers>