

Celebrate Hispanic American Women!



We think every month is the right time for celebrating Hispanic American women, but this dedicated month is a great opportunity to share more of their stories, and to commemorate the important roles they have played in our shared history!

Johnson, as a time to recognize and honor the contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America. The celebration was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15.

September 15 of every year was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. All declared independence in 1821. In addition, Mexico, Chile and Belize celebrate their independence days on September 16, September 18, and September 21, respectively.

We have had the pleasure of honoring several truly remarkable Hispanic American women over the last 40+ years. You can learn more about each one of them, as well as other important Hispanic American women on our website.

Read more

The American Women Quarters Program



Have you seen any of the American Women Quarters yet?

The <u>American Women Quarters Program</u> is a four-year program that "celebrates the accomplishments and contributions made by women to the development and history of our country."

Beginning in 2022, and continuing through 2025, the U.S. Mint will issue up to five new designs each year, and will feature women from a variety of backgrounds, including suffrage, civil rights, abolition, government, humanities,

science, space, and geographically diverse backgrounds.

So far, the US Mint has released quarters featuring four women:

- Maya Angelou author and poet, 1992 Honoree
- <u>Dr. Sally Ride</u> scientist, astronaut, founder of Sally Ride Science, 1985 & 1989 Honoree
- Wilma Mankiller civil rights activist & first woman chief of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma, 1989 Honoree
- Nina Otero-Warren educator, politician, suffragist, 1998 Honoree

Upcoming coins will feature Anna May Wong, Bessie Coleman, Edith Kanaka'ole, Eleanor Roosevelt, Jovita Idar, and Maria Tallchief.

The most recent quarter features Nina Otero-Warren.



Between 1914 and 1920, Otero-Warren worked for women's suffrage in New Mexico, where she emphasized the necessity of using the Spanish language in the suffrage fight in order to reach Hispanic women. She also spearheaded the lobbying effort to ratify the 19th Amendment in New Mexico.

In 1918, she became the first woman to serve as the superintendent of public schools in Santa Fe County. As superintendent, Otero-Warren made improvements in rural schools.

During WWI, she worked with the Red Cross. In 1921, she ran for the Congress and lost. Otero-Warren was then appointed Inspector of Indian Schools in Santa Fe County in 1923 and was able to improve education for Native Americans.

Otero-Warren strove to improve education for all New Mexicans and worked to advance bicultural education and to preserve cultural practices among the state's Hispanic and Native American communities.



Do you want to have some fun and make a difference for our democracy? Join us on Saturday October 8th from 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m. EST, as we honor the suffragists and voting rights activists, while encouraging people to vote!

We hope to encourage women all over the nation to organize their local versions of Silent Sentinels.

In 1917, over 2,000 women silently protested at the White House for the right to vote. Many went to jail and suffered greatly. To honor them, we will gather on street corners, dressed in the colors of those brave suffragists, and hold signs that simply say "VOTE."

In 2020, over 150 women in the Sacramento, California, region re-created the inspirational effort of the Silent Sentinels to encourage people to vote. And it's even more important this year!

You pick the corner or we'll help you find one. We've already ordered signs OR you can make your own. Invite your friends or we will pair you up with others. Wear white, purple and gold as the suffragists did, or choose colors that express you.

This midterm election is slated to be even more essential for women's voices to be heard at the ballot box. This action is one of many being used to galvanize

If you are a part of any local, regional or national organization, please forward this information to them and encourage them to join us in this important effort to preserve our democracy.

More info

In Case You Missed It

August was a busy month, with several important Women's History Events!

On August 18, we held a <u>Press Conference</u> to announce the 2023 Theme, "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories," co-hosted by Gloria Feldt, Cofounder and President of Take The Lead Women. It also included some great presentations by NWHA Board Members about the importance of recognizing storytellers, and the role the play in "writing women back into history."



And on August 20, we held an informative and inspirational webinar <u>"The Battles for Women's Equality and Women's Rights"</u> with several important leaders in the women's movement sharing their experiences and offering guidance for the battles ahead.

- Camila Chávez, Executive Director, the Dolores Huerta Foundation
- Ting Ting Cheng, Civil rights attorney and activist
- Janice Mathis, Esq., Executive Director National Council of Negro Women
- Eleanor Smeal, President & Co-founder Feminist Majority Foundation
- Julie C. Suk, Professor and author of We the Women: the Unstoppable Mothers of the ERA

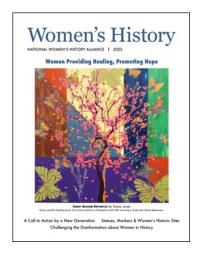
Coming Soon: November Online Auction!



We are getting geared up for our November Online Auction, and looking for donations of books, artwork, time shares, special memorabilia or other treasures to include.

Email Molly with your info: nwhp1980@gmail.com

Advertise in our 2023 Women's History Magazine



To promote the 2023 Women's History Theme, "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories," the National Women's History Alliance will publish the third edition of our *Women's History Magazine* in January.

This 20-page full-color magazine will include articles, tributes, and an overview of remarkable women – pioneers, veterans, and newcomers – from a wide range of media experiences.

The magazine will continue the role of the National Women's History Alliance to serve as the clearinghouse for women's history information. To do so specific resources and organizations will be featured that will be useful in promoting women's history.

If you are interest in placing an ad, please contact nwhp1980@gmail.com.

NWHA National Networking Conference



We are working out the details for a National Networking Conference in 2023. For over four decades, these conferences have provided excellent opportunities to share ideas as we strengthen and build our alliances.

We are planning the conference for January 26-28, 2023, in San Diego's beautiful Bay Club Hotel and Marina, with an online option for many of the sessions.

We are soliciting input from our partners and supporters to determine what sessions and topics will be most useful to include, as well as offering applications for those interested in doing a presentation at this conference. Our goal is to provide a forum for discussion and future planning.

Please email Molly with your information: nwhp1980@gmail.com

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We have selected hundreds of excellent books that tell the stories of Hispanic American women to help you celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, and honor Hispanic American women all year through.

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