



May is Asian & Pacific Islander American Heritage Month!



Asian and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month got its start as a congressional bill, inspired by Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Week, with the mission of bringing attention to the contributions Asian and Pacific Islander Americans have made to the history and culture of the United States.

But did you know the whole thing was inspired by the work of two dedicated women? Jeanie Jew and Ruby Moy, who work on Capital Hill, spearheaded a campaign to get congressional support for their cause.

Over the years we have had the pleasure of recognizing many Asian American and Pacific Islander American women in our list of Women’s History Honorees.

### Learn more!

Additionally, our friends at the **National Women's History Museum** have put together a wonderful Asian American and Pacific Islander American Heritage Month toolkit full of information and links to honor women trailblazers, leaders, storytellers, and artists both nationally and around the world.



#### May 17–21

##### May 17

**Don't miss Question 22: Question 22**, a play written by Chay Yew and directed by July Lee to tell the experiences of Japanese American women during the World War II concentration camps. This presentation has been shortened and edited for families.

[Click Here](#)

##### May 18

**#KnowHerName and #KnowHerStory!** Learn about Anna May Wong, the first Chinese American film star in Hollywood.

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##### May 19

**Listen to a conversation with Mai Nguyen**, an innovative grain farmer in California and co-founder of the Asian American Farmers Alliance, in this podcast episode from *Cal Ag Roots*.

[Click Here](#)

##### May 20

**#KnowHerName and #KnowHerStory!** Read about Patsy Mink, the first woman of color elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and the first Asian American woman to serve in Congress.

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Pictured above via LIFE photo collectors by Ralph Crane

##### May 21

**Learn about Queen Mele Le'ialo Tuiaepeso Muhammad Ali**, an award-winning American Samoan film director working to combat negative images and stereotypes of original people.

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Download a copy!

## Thank you for your support!

We want to thank everyone for their wonderful response to our annual Mother's Day card fund-raising campaign. We exceeded our goal and are now setting our sights on Father's Day!



We are thrilled to announce the design of our **2021 Father's Day card!** Designed by our friend Meneese Wall, this image of two members of the National Woman Suffrage Association and the Men's League for Woman Suffrage celebrates the men who their voices to the fight to ensure the full citizenship of women!

And includes this powerful quote from suffrage supporter Frederick Douglass: "Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will."

It is an image from her beautifully illustrated book **We Demand the Right to Vote: The Journey to the 19th Amendment.**

Father's Day is coming up on **Sunday, June 20.** Order yours today and help us with our work of "writing women back into history."

**Order now!**

## Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Unveiled!

After 13 years of sweat, tears and fundraising, the virtual dedication of the **Turning Point Suffragist Memorial** was held earlier this month, on May 16.

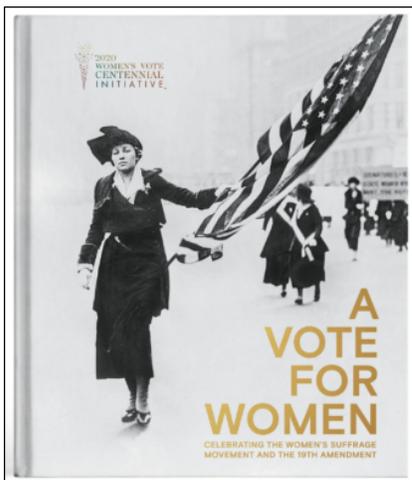
More than a century after millions of women succeeded in their efforts to see the 19th

Amendment passed, they are finally getting the recognition they deserve in America's only suffragist memorial to fully commemorate their accomplishment.

You can watch a recording of the event [here](#).



## A Vote for Women: a beautiful new book celebrating women's suffrage!



**A Vote for Women: Celebrating the Women's Suffrage Movement and the 19th Amendment** is a fully illustrated and beautifully designed hardback book charting the history of the women's suffrage movement in the U.S., the fight for the vote, and some of the advances that have resulted from that victory.

It also offers an insight into Congress and U.S. government departments, exploring current activities and initiatives, and the contributions they have made in shaping the United States of today.

It was created in association with the 2020 Women's Vote Centennial Initiative (WVCI), and published by St James's House – an imprint of the SJH Group. Historians and activists Nancy Tate, Jill Zahniser, and NWA board member and friend Robert P.J. Cooney, Jr. worked closely with St. James's House in the development of this beautiful coffee table book.



**A Vote for Women** was released earlier this year with an online digital launch event, with wonderful and informative presentations by Nancy Tate, co-chair of the 2020 Women's Vote Centennial Initiative, Jennifer Herrera of the National Women's History Museum, the National Park Service's Regional Coordinator for the 19th Amendment Centennial Commemoration Catherine Turton, and other historians, government officials, and community organizers.

In case you missed this excellent event and discussion, you can watch the recording of it [here!](#)

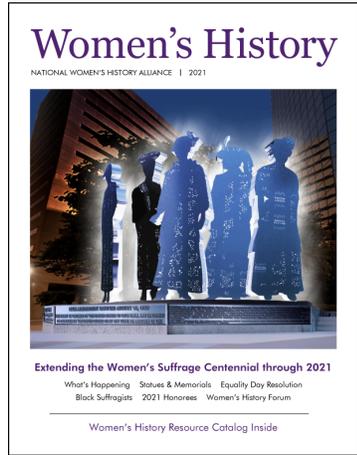
**Buy a copy!**

## 2021 Women's History Magazine

To help you celebrate Women's History all year through, we've created our inaugural issue of the [NWA Women's History Magazine](#).

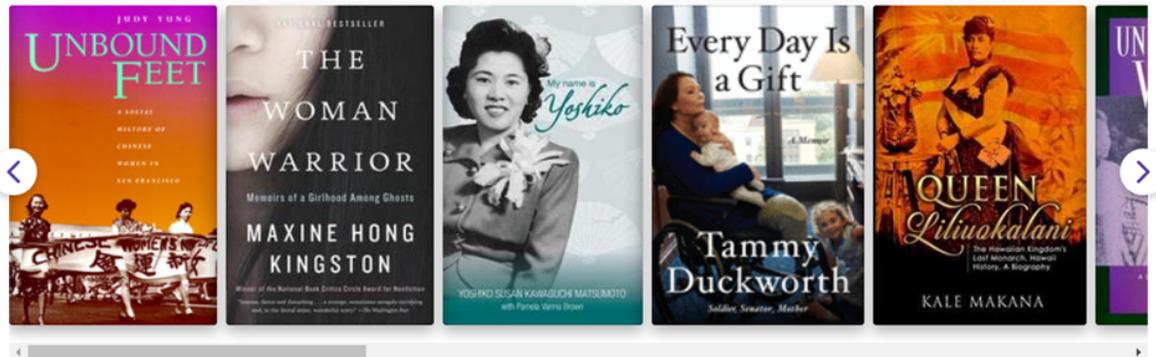
This beautifully produced 32-page, full-color magazine is filled with a variety of women's history information.

And make sure you check out the [2021 Women's History Month Resources](#) section in the NWA Online Store for everything else you need to celebrate Women's History all year long!



Get your copy today!

**Asian American and Pacific Islander American Women** [VIEW LIST \(27 BOOKS\)](#)



**Memoirs and Biographies** [VIEW LIST \(63 BOOKS\)](#)



Just in time for Asian American & Pacific Islander American Heritage Month, we've created a special list of books featuring **Asian American & Pacific**

**Islander American Women**, including books by many of our former Women's History Honorees.

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