

A stylized illustration of a hand with dark skin holding a purple signpost. The hand has a yellow bracelet and is holding the signpost from the bottom center. The signpost is a vertical purple bar that connects to a large, rounded rectangular sign.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

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A stylized logo for Women's Day. The word "WOMEN'S" is written in a brown, rounded font with a pink female symbol (♀) integrated into the letter 'O'. Below it, the word "DAY" is written in a similar brown font, with two horizontal teal lines on either side. The entire logo has a white, hand-drawn outline.

WOMEN'S
DAY



WHAT IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH?

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society, and has been observed annually in the month of March since 1987

- Originated as a national celebration in 1981
- March 7th was originally : “Women's History week”
- Congress later passed legislation to proclaim March as “Women's History Month”



WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH FACTS

01

Every Women's History Month Has a theme

The 2021 theme is: "Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced"
This theme is focused on women's political involvement and leadership

02

The Right to Vote

Wyoming Territory was the first place to grant women the right to vote. They elected Nellie Tayole Ross, the country's first female governor in 1924

03

Claudette Clovin

Nine months **before** Rosa Parks gave up her seat, 15 year old Claudette Colvin did the same thing on the same bus system- She was unmarried and pregnant at the time

04

Credit Cards

Women couldn't get cards in their own name until the Equal Credit Opportunity Act was passed in 1974. Credit Cards were invented in 1950



Grace Lee Boggs



- Daughter of Chinese immigrants
- Writer and activist
- Began her activism in Chicago where she joined the movement for Tenants' Rights and Workers Party

Ava DuVernay



- The first black woman nominated for a Golden Globe for best director of her movie “Selma”
- Produced a oscar nominated documentary, “13th”
- The first woman of color to direct a live-action film with a budget exceeding \$100 million (A Wrinkle In Time)



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“Of course I am not worried about intimidating men. The type of man who will be intimidated by me is exactly the type of man I have no interest in.”

—Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

HOW TO CELEBRATE WOMEN THIS MONTH



SUPPORT

Buy from a woman owned business this month and tell your friends



VOLUNTEER

Find a local women's shelter, organization, or health clinic and find out how you can donate items or support



LEARN

Read about a woman who contributed to society



APPRECIATE

Tell the women in your life how much you care about them and appreciate them

TOP 6 RESOURCES TO LEARN MORE AND SUPPORT



WomensHistory.org

The library of Congress and other government entities commemorate and encourage the study, observance, and celebration of women



AnitaB.org

A social enterprise that supports women in technical fields



ThoughtCo.com/womens-history

Learn about the half of history missing from many history books on the women who have shaped our world



American Association of University Women

Advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research



Black Girls Code

Their mission is to increase the number of women of color in the digital space by empowering girls 7 to 17



She Should Run

This organization has prepared more than 21,000 women to run for office



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