Our Mission

The National Women’s History Museum (NWHM) is an innovative museum dedicated to uncovering, interpreting, and celebrating women’s diverse contributions to society. Our work serves to inspire both current and future generations to take action to increase representation and inclusivity of women, and in doing so, drive tangible value for all.

Our success starts by measuring the number of young minds we reach through programs, partnerships, and resources to support educators and learners, both inside and outside the classroom. Over time we will refine our programs, partnerships, and resources as we uncover those which most significantly drive increases in representation and inclusivity.

Today, our reach is measured according to the number of educators accessing our educational resources; the number of visitors to our exhibits (physical and digital); the number of individuals who are exposed to content about women’s history and accomplishments; and the number of partners, ambassadors, and influencers helping us extend this reach.

2023 at a Glance

In 2023, the National Women’s History Museum debuted its first physical exhibition, the award-winning We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC.

03 The Honorable Eleanor Holmes Norton speaks at the opening of Black Feminist DC.

04 Official ribbon cutting for the Black Feminist DC exhibition at the MLK Library.

This exhibition has drawn tens of thousands to experience it in person and on field trips, as well as online through its digital rendition. Separately, the Museum launched a new virtual exhibition that explores the history of Title IX and women’s access to higher education. NWHM also began planning for future exhibitions to bring across the country in the coming years. The Museum hosted over 150 live events, including its signature Women Making History Awards Gala. In 2023, the Museum hired a new president and CEO and developed a new strategic plan that will inform the next five years of organizational strategy and growth.

2,831 Attendees to Education Programs

13,469 Visitors to We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC

897 K-12 Registrants to Live Virtual & In Person Programs *

158 Live Events

5.1m Unique Website Visitors

9.1m Total Website Views

* INCLUDING FIELD TRIPS & EDUCATOR WORKSHOPS
**New Exhibition**

*We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC*

Hundreds gathered at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library in downtown Washington, DC for the grand opening of our new exhibition, *We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC*, which explores the stories of Black feminists through the long 20th century and their impact on their communities in DC and across the country.

This opening event kicked off with remarks from exhibition curators Dr. Sherie M. Randolph and Dr. Kendra T. Field; DC Councilmember Brooke Pinto; DC Public Library Executive Director Richard Reyes-Gavilán; NWHM Board Chair Susan D. Whiting; and Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, who is featured in the exhibition. A ribbon cutting was followed by a performance by Rochelle Rice, and the event also highlighted local organizations that continue the work of the Black feminists featured in the exhibition.

Since its opening, more than **16,000 PEOPLE** have visited *We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC* at the MLK Library. In 2023, the exhibit was recognized as the Gold recipient of the MUSE Award for Experiential and Immersive — Exhibition Experience, and was also honored with a Bronze Anthem Award in the category of Human & Civil Rights, Special Projects, Product, Innovation, or Service category.

**Historic Change**

*American Women Quarters™ Program*

In early 2022, legislation was signed directing the U.S. Mint to consult with the National Women’s History Museum to identify 20 prominent American women to honor on a series of quarter dollars. Through the American Women Quarters™ program, the Museum has engaged audiences across the country in the celebration of women’s contributions as told through our nation’s currency.

Public engagement in this ground-breaking program began with a call for recommendations. The Museum’s online portal received more than **11,000 submissions** of women to be considered for this honor.

Since the first coin in this program debuted in 2022 — THE MAYA ANGELOU QUARTER — the Museum has co-hosted events across the nation, in partnership with the U.S. Mint, celebrating the lives and legacies of the honorees. Our 2023 events honored pioneering aviator Bessie Coleman (Chicago, IL), humanitarian Eleanor Roosevelt (Hyde Park, NY); journalist and suffragist Jovita Idar (San Antonio, TX); and America’s first prima ballerina, Maria Tallchief (Chicago, IL). Featuring performances, panel discussions, keynote speakers, dignitaries, and family members of the honorees, these free public events shine a light on the accomplishments and contributions of women in our nation’s history.

While women have long been excluded from our nation’s currency, the American Women Quarters™ program rectifies this. It inspires current and future generations of children to grow up seeing women included in this very important national space and to see the possibilities of what they can become.

**Collaborative Partnership**

*A Tour of Her Own Walking Tours*

In 2023, NWHM collaborated with National Coalition Partner A Tour of Her Own to help people of all ages explore the history of Black feminism in Washington, DC. This collaboration produced a walking tour in a three-part series that included a private tour of *We Who Believe in Freedom: Black Feminist DC* at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, as well as a custom tour of downtown DC sites.

A Tour Of Her Own is the first tourism company in Washington, DC to focus exclusively on women’s history. Established in 2018 to elevate women’s stories into a more prominent place in American history and culture, they reframe and rethink traditional history by integrating the challenges and contributions of women into our narratives.

**Resource Development**

*For Educators, By Educators*

Each summer, NWHM invites K-12 educators to participate in our “For Educators, By Educators” classroom resource development initiative. All resources developed through this initiative are included in the Museum’s catalog of online classroom resources, which are available free of charge to all users. All lesson plans align with the C3 Framework for Social Studies Standards. In summer 2023, educators from across the country joined NWHM to co-create nine new lesson plans on topics such as Mary Church Terrell, Title IX and the Women’s Basketball League, and Faith Ringgold’s Story Quilts.
Education Outreach

Virtual Field Trips
Throughout the school year, NWHM educators shared the stories of women throughout U.S. history that have fought for their rights and changed their communities through our interactive virtual field trip program.

Young Learners
Brave Girls Virtual Storytime
NWHM is committed to reaching all ages, including our youngest brave kids!

Through our Brave Girls Virtual Storytime series, children in grades K-2 and their caregivers heard empowering and inspiring stories, and had a chance to ask questions of the authors or illustrators of these books. Storytimes in 2023 featured Grace Lin’s *Just Like Me*, and Sharon Caples McDougle’s *Suit Up For Launch With Shay*!

Annual Giving
We are profoundly grateful to our supporters for their generous tax-deductible financial contributions and assistance in raising awareness of the Museum, our programs, and our resources. Our supporters are true partners in this work and in the collective pursuit of our mission, and we could not be more thankful for their generosity.

Every woman has a story. Thank you for helping us share them.

$100,000 +
Malcolm Jones & Carol Koury
Dr. Nancy O’Reilly & Women Connect4Good Foundation
Silver Mountain Foundation
for the Arts

$50,000-99,999
Caren Byrd
Susan E. Danish
MAH/MK
Susan D. Whiting

$25,000-49,999
4S Bay Partners LLC
Bonde/Brotherhood Alliance
Paxin Dallara
Laura A. Jenkins
Max Snyder Johnson
Patricia Kampling
Max Mara USA
Macy’s
NBCUniversal
Telemundo Enterprises
Lauren Ridle
Warner Bros. Discovery

$10,000-24,999
AARP
Alliance Energy
ArentFox Schiff LLP
Carolyn Black Dougall *
Lisa Cox *
Kara Gaffney *
Beverly Gay Sheftall
Adrienne Habe *
Husch Blackwell, LLP
The Kemper Foundation
Martha Keefe Andrews, Ph.D. *
Bonnie Lautenberg
Peggy Mathy & Stephen B. Diamond *

Singleton McAllister
Nelson
Nonna A. Noto *
Parsonage
Nancy Jo Patterson *
Mary Lou Renner *
Cynthia J. Schumacher *
Urban Art: A Philosophy of Living by Donna Karan
Lucie Vogel *

$5,000-9,999
Patricia C. Brown Foundation
Marla McBride *
Known Holdings
Kamie Lightburn
The Chuck Trust Fund *
Carol & John McCarthy
Paula D. Merritt *
Margar Stanley
Jill Mortensen
Lee Murphy
PBS—Public Service Broadcasting
Catherine Pendola Tringali
Telluride Community Foundation
Lisa Ryerson *
Mark M. Shaw *
Steve & Mary Kay Shindler *
Carey C. Shuart *
Mary Smith
William E. Thibeudeau *

$2,500-4,999
Alan & Emily Martin
Symonds Foundation, Inc.
Anonymous
Carol & Paul H."Pete" Mark Stein *
Benefit Causes
Cecelie K. Mitchell
Catherine L. Carter
Melodie K. Chenevert
Karen Choi *
Tina Clark
Timothy G. Davis
Kathryn M. Dugan
Mary H. Donahue
Nancy E. Felker
Dr. Joanne Garde *
Peter B. Haake
Katherine Hall
Sylvia Henderson *
Irvin Herman in Memory of Ilene Herman *
Ellen Kaufman
Karen King Davis *
Karen Kopp
Elaine E. Kowenworth *
Ainsley MacLean
Betty McFarlie Crole *
Vandana Reddy
Nohal Mohan
Jill Patterson
Ann Marie Pinto *
Eileen Purcell *
Darlene Reyes
Allison Ryan
Joyce E. Scaife
Ellen Stack
Elizabeth Steinberg
Mary Taylor
Julie Taylor *
Carolyn Tomazic-Engers *
Christine A. Uhlfelder
Yvonne Waiselwski
Jennifer Wormuth *

$1,000-2,499.99
Susan Brandt
Dr. Jean M. Alberti
Dr. Catherine Allgor
Grimanesa Amoros
Jo Ann Armenta
Therese Baker-Degler
Joe & Natasha Beauvais
Patricia Beckwith
Joyce Blalock
Moses Boyd
Meredith Brodsky, Ph.D.
Olive M. Burns
Karen Bush *
Phyllis E. Byers-Hettland
Linda A. Cahill
Phyllis Cate
Lenore Cameron
Jill Campbell
Suzanne E. Caron
Fiona O’Halloran
Cathleen Civali-Fisher
Zelda Cook
Jeanette Conrad-Ellis
Sheila Cooke-Kayser
Jamie & James O’Hara
Blanche U. Crandall
Crecent Cities Charities
Dr. Joan N. Gross
CyberGrants LLC
Ellen Danieli & David Gelfand
Ellen David
Dr. Janet L. Denlinger
Donna M. Dennis
In Memory of Jacqueline Douglass
Leigh-Ann Patterson Duran
Gale Epstein
Charles Everhard
Exelon
Facebook—Fundraisers
& Donations
Fidelity Charitable
GIFT Fund
Kendra Field
Kenneth Fishel
Shirley J. Flippin
Reid L. Garrett
Gayle Gengrees
Park & Nancy Gillespie
Barbara Bushman Goodman
Emily Goodstein
Connie J. Graham
Gretchen Green,
M.D., MMS *
Frances Pitchford Griggs

Grossman-Weir Family Foundation
Barbara B. Gurtler
Carol A. Hallagood
June Hajjar
Peter Hallock *
Gail E. Hamilton
Robert Hamson
Shirley A. Henry
Ltc (R) Mary Wallace
Kievett
Ellen Hodelbach Scheetz *
Sally M. Hallem
Lina Hvong
Monica Idano
Maisy Jones Family Foundation
Elizabeth R. Kably
Julie Sisco *
Dr. Carol A. Kauffman
Eloise Keene
Lynnette W. Koop
Mary Lou Laprade
Dr. Lettie Lee
Susan Lee
Christine Lesniewski
Carol Lingenfelter
Marcia L. Love
Annette R. Luckow
Edith Lycke *
Laura Maybaum
Pamela Morgan
Bunny S. Morris
Mary Murphy &
Mark Stevens
Dan & Brooke Neidich
Foundation
Peggy Notebaert
Bu Nygren *
Dr. Karen Offen
Miriam C. Poirier
Anne Powell
Dee M. Price
Dr. Anne S. Pruitt
Karen Ramsey
Katherine A. Read
& John Houston
Rosemary Reed
Nancy J. Regnier
Jennifer Rhodehamel
Kimberly Ritzheimer
Mary Ann Robnett
Charlot M. Root
Madalyn & Hal Rosenbluth
Nicole & Allen Salmena *
Elizabeth A. Schratt
Julia O. Schravesande
Linda J. Scott Fund
Alice L. Shaner, M.D.
Nina J. Shuman
Rheta C. Sikora
Barbara Silverstein
Susan J. Slaughter
Kathleen Sloan
Wanda G. Sobieski
Mary C. Speare
Dr. Mark Steiger
Carol Stewart Gay
Judith A. Stitley
Margaret T. Stropp

* DENOTES 1920 SOCIETY MEMBERS

* DENOTES 1920 SOCIETY MEMBERS
### In Memoriam

In memory of our charter members and supporters who have passed away.

NWHM extends our deepest condolences and most sincere appreciation to the families of the women who have passed away. We ask that in lieu of flowers, gifts of remembrance be sent to NWHM to support our important work.

These Charter Members were: Olga Miskowiec Eaton, Dr. Margaret Engel, Virginia Therese Oshier Mullen, and Georgia Martinez. They leave behind a rich legacy of helping to bring women’s achievements and contributions into the light of day.

We would also like to note the recent passing of former NWHM Board Member Judith Kaplan. Judy was one of the first women to take a company public on the New York Stock Exchange; she helped to ensure women were recognized on the U.S. Post Office’s “First Day Covers series;” she was honored as one of the “Feminists Who Changed America 1963-1975;” and she served as Secretary/Treasurer on the NWHM Board of Directors for many, many years. Judy fought relentlessly for women’s rights and was a force in the women’s movement and as an entrepreneur. She will be missed.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sally Bancroft Fry Davis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathys Bastas</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Catherine Bertini</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathleen E. Bible</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ellen W. Blanchard</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Honorable Gaylyn N. Boone</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Mary J. Boylan</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jane Brattain</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathleen Brook</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Martha Brooks</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maasha Butler</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Laura Carlson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beth Charas</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Connie Claman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beverly J. Cole</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gail V. Coleman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathryn M. Corcoran</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Donna Danielson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carol J. Dinish</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Martha C. Dills</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Elizabeth L. Dominguez</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Janice P. Drelling</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judy Dickey-Prohov</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Martha E. Duncan</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jan M. Eischen</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary Ann Fastook</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wendy Federman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gloria M. Flynn</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anabel Ford</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Janet Fox</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Norma Fox</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Deborah S. Freedman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Norma Fox</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anne H. Dougherty</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Norma Fox</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary L. Donahue</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judy DiMuro</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nancy Dyer</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carol E. Earley</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary Ellen Ebling</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Theresa Zeigler</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Joan L. Akins</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jean Afterman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marilyn A. Woolley</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rachel Albright</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Celeste Anderson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Delores M. Komar</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Teresa Kim</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Janet Fox</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jan M. Eischen</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nancy Meyers</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>N. Karen Miller</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trisha Miller</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Seforya Moore</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tonya T. More</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judith Moser</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Azmy Nathu</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kaye B. Neller</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lyris J. Newman</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Judith Norden</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kathleen O’Connell</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lynne O’Hara</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carol O’Shea</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gwan Paulson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sara G. Peckham</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sukeyna Perez</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Debbie Peterson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Erick Powell</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Janet A. Purkis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Christine Privott</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sandra Przybylski</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jana Purtis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Joyce P. Randall</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marguerite Renner</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Leslie K. Richardson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Margaret D. Richer</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Caitlin Robinson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lynne Rogers</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dr. Ronald M. Rosich</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dayna J. Saltor</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Catherine Schag</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Suzanne Seay</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Barbara E. Belt-Kern</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rosanne Beem</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lynda Carson</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judith A. Caruso</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary Ann Dano</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Helen D. Davis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judith A. Caruso</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary Ann Dano</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Helen D. Davis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Judith A. Caruso</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mary Ann Dano</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Helen D. Davis</td>
<td>$500-999.99</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Annual Giving

Help us empower future generations.
Learn about how you can give and support our continued impact.

PHOTO CREDITS

Unless noted below, images are owned by the National Women’s History Museum.

PAGES 1–2


Jack Rottier photograph collection, C0003, Box 8, Page 26, Special Collections Research Center, George Mason University Libraries.

No. 03 Photo by Lisa Helfert Photography

PAGES 3–4

No. 01 Photo by Lisa Helfert Photography

No. 02 Photo by Sora DeVore Photography

No. 03 Photo by Jill Westeyn, United States Mint.

No. 04 From left: Kristie McNally, deputy director, United States Mint; Jennifer Herrers, vice president of external affairs, National Women’s History Museum; Emmy and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Maria Hinojosa; Rev. Elizabeth A. Lopez, Idar family member; and Dr. Taylor Eighmy, president of the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Photo by Jill Westeyn, United States Mint.

PRESIDENT & CEO
Frédérique Irwin

2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Susan D. Whiting
Chair
Singleton McAllister
Vice Chair
Susan Danish
Treasurer
Lisa Marsh Ryerson
Secretary

Catherine Allgor
Jon Bouker
Caren Byrd
Tena Clark
Jamie Cook
Peixin Li Dallara
Mónica Gil
Beverly Guy-Sheftall, Ph.D.
Mari Snyder Johnson
Patricia Leonard Kampling
Cheri Kaufman
Ainsley MacLean, M.D.
Carol McCarthy
Stephanie Wood Mineo
Nancy O’Reilly, Psy.D.
Darlene Reyes
R. Lucia Riddle
Mary Smith
Jessica Tilley
Preserving, illuminating, and sharing the powerful history of women in America.