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# WOMEN HISTORY MONTH

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As we enter the month of March, we are excited to celebrate Women's History Month, a time to honor the incredible achievements and contributions of women throughout history.







**Dr. Mae Jemison**

Dr. Mae Jemison is an American engineer, physician, and astronaut. She became the first black woman to travel into space when she served as a mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle Endeavour in 1992.





## Michelle Obama

Michelle Obama is an American lawyer, writer, and former First Lady of the United States. She was born on January 17, 1964, in Chicago, Illinois. After graduating from Princeton University and Harvard Law School, she worked as a lawyer and then as a public servant. During her time as First Lady from 2009 to 2017, she launched several initiatives to promote healthy living, education, and support for military families. She is also an author, having written several books including the bestselling memoir "Becoming". Michelle Obama is known for her advocacy work, particularly on issues related to education, health, and women's rights.





**Oprah Winfrey**

Oprah Winfrey is a media mogul, talk show host, actress, producer, and philanthropist. She is one of the most influential women in the world, having built a media empire that includes television shows, magazines, and a television network.

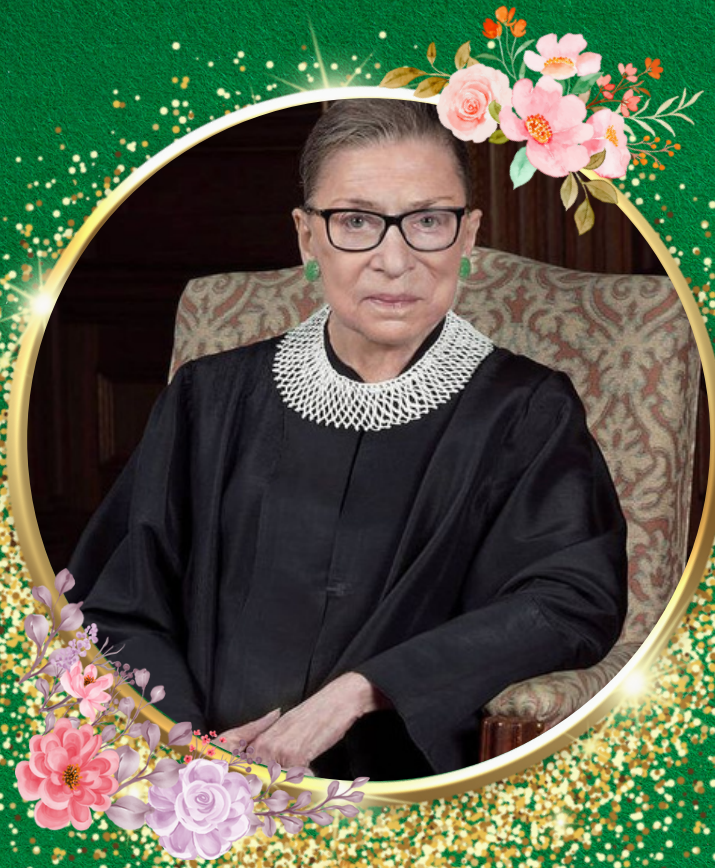




## Wangari Maathai

Wangari Maathai was a Kenyan environmental activist, women's rights advocate, and Nobel Peace Prize laureate. She was the founder of the Green Belt Movement, an organization that has planted over 50 million trees in Kenya and helped empower women by providing them with employment and training opportunities. Maathai was the first African woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004, in recognition of her work promoting sustainable development, democracy, and peace.





## RUTH BADER GINSBURG

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was an American jurist who served as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court from 1993 until her death in 2020. She was the second woman to serve on the Supreme Court and was known for her advocacy on behalf of gender equality and women's rights. Before her appointment to the Supreme Court, Ginsburg was a pioneering lawyer and law professor who co-founded the Women's Rights Project at the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)





## ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

Eleanor Roosevelt was an American politician, diplomat, and activist who served as First Lady of the United States from 1933 to 1945 during the presidency of her husband, Franklin D. Roosevelt. She was a prominent advocate for human rights, civil rights, and women's rights, and she used her position as First Lady to advance social justice causes. Roosevelt was instrumental in the creation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and served as the first Chair of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.





**Kamala Harris**

Kamala Harris is the first woman, the first Black woman, and the first Asian-American woman to hold the office of Vice President of the United States. She was previously a United States Senator from California and Attorney General of California.





**Serena Williams**

Serena Williams is one of the greatest tennis players of all time, having won 23 Grand Slam singles titles and 14 Grand Slam doubles titles. She is also a philanthropist and advocate for gender and racial equality.





## DAISY BATES

Daisy Bates was an American civilrights activist and journalist. She is best known for her work as a leader in the Little Rock Nine, a group of nine Black students who integrated Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas in 1957. As President of the Arkansas NAACP, Bates played a key role in organizing and supporting the students' efforts to attend the previously all-white school, and she faced considerable opposition and harassment as a result. Bates also published a weekly newspaper, "The Arkansas State Press," which covered civil rights issues and provided a platform for Black voices in the state.





## ALTHEA GIBSON

American tennis player and professional golfer, and one of the first Black athletes to cross the color line of international tennis. In 1956, she became the first African American to win a Grand Slam title (the French Championships). The following year she won both Wimbledon and the US Nationals (precursor of the US Open), then won both again in 1958 and was voted Female Athlete of the Year by the Associated Press in both years.





## SOJOURNER TRUTH

American abolitionist and women's rights activist. Truth was born into slavery in Swartekill, New York, but escaped with her infant daughter to freedom in 1826. After going to court to recover her son in 1828, she became the first black woman to win such a case against a white man. She gave herself the name Sojourner Truth in 1843 after she became convinced that God had called her to leave the city and go into the countryside "testifying the hope that was in her".





## SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

American politician, educator, and author. In 1968, she became the first black woman elected to the United States Congress, representing New York's 12th congressional district for seven terms from 1969 to 1983. In the 1972 United States presidential election, she became the first African-American candidate for a major party's nomination for President of the United States, and the first woman to run for the Democratic Party's Presidential nomination.





## HILLARY DIANE RODHAM CLINTON

Hillary Clinton is an American politician, diplomat, lawyer, writer, and public speaker who served as the 67th United States Secretary of State from 2009 to 2013, as a United States Senator from New York from 2001 to 2009, and as First Lady of the United States from 1993 to 2001 as the wife of President Bill Clinton. A member of the Democratic Party, she was the party's nominee for President in the 2016 Presidential election, becoming the first woman to win a Presidential nomination by a major U.S. political party. Clinton won the popular vote in the election, making her the first woman to do so. However, she lost the Electoral College vote and thereby lost the Presidential election.





## NANCY PATRICIA PELOSI

Nancy Patricia Pelosi is an American politician serving as Speaker of the United States House of Representatives since 2019, and previously from 2007 to 2011. She has served as a U.S. representative from California since 1987. A member of the Democratic Party, Pelosi is the only woman in U.S. history to serve as Speaker of the House. Currently in her 18th term, Pelosi was first elected to Congress in a 1987 special election, following her father, Thomas D'Alesandro Jr., into politics. He had served as a U.S. Representative from Maryland and Mayor of Baltimore





## ELLA JOSEPHINE BAKER

Ella Josephine Baker was an African American civil rights and human rights activist. She was a largely behind-the-scenes organizer whose career spanned more than five decades. In New York City and the South, she worked alongside some of the most noted civil rights leaders of the 20th century, including W. E.B. Du Bois, Thurgood Marshall, A. Philip Randolph, and Martin Luther King Jr.





## SEPTIMA CLARK

Clark developed the literacy and citizenship workshops that played an important role in the drive for voting rights and civil rights for African Americans in the Civil Rights Movement. Septima Clark's work was commonly under-appreciated by Southern male activists. She became known as the "Queen mother" or "Grandmother" of the Civil Rights Movement in the United States. Martin Luther King Jr. commonly referred to Clark as "The Mother of the Movement" Clark's argument for her position in the Civil Rights Movement was one that claimed "knowledge could empower marginalized groups in ways that formal legal equality couldn't.





## DIANE JUDITH NASH

Nash's campaigns were among the most successful of the era. Her efforts included the first successful civil rights campaign to integrate lunch counters, Nashville; the Freedom Riders, who desegregated interstate travel co-founding the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and co-initiating the Alabama Voting Rights Project and working on the Selma Voting Rights Movement. This helped gain Congressional passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, which authorized the federal government to oversee and enforce state practices to ensure that African Americans and other minorities were not prevented from registering and voting.





## FANNIE LOU HAMER

Fannie Lou Hamer was an American voting and women's rights activist, community organizer, and a leader in the civil rights movement. She was the Co-Founder and Vice-Chair of the Freedom Democratic Party, which she represented at the 1964 Democratic National Convention. Hamer also organized Mississippi's Freedom Summer along with the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). She was also a Co-Founder of the National Women's Political Caucus, an organization created to recruit, train, and support women of all races who wish to seek election to government office.





## NGOZI OKONJO-IWEALA

Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala is a Nigerian-American economist, fair trade leader, environmental sustainability advocate, human welfare champion, sustainable finance maven and global development expert. Since March 2021, Okonjo-Iweala has been serving as Director-General of the World Trade Organization. Notably, she is the first woman and first African to lead the World Trade Organization as Director-General. She sits on boards of: Danone, Standard Chartered Bank, Twitter, MINDS: Mandela Institute for Development Studies, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, One Campaign.





## LINDA THOMAS-GREENFIELD

Linda Thomas-Greenfield is an American diplomat who is the United States ambassador to the United Nations under President Joe Biden. She served as the US Assistant Secretary of State for African affairs from 2013 to 2017. Thomas-Greenfield then worked in the private sector as a Senior Vice President at Albright Stonebridge Group in Washington, D.C. President Biden nominated her to be the U.S Ambassador to the United Nations, and she was confirmed by the US Senate on February 23, 2021.



A portrait of Madeleine Albright is centered in the upper half of the image. She is shown from the chest up, wearing a black top and gold earrings. The portrait is enclosed in a circular gold frame that is decorated with a floral wreath of pink and purple flowers. The background behind the portrait is a dark red, and the entire scene is set against a green background with a shimmering gold particle effect.

## MADELEINE ALBRIGHT

Madeleine Jana Korbel Albright was an American diplomat who served as the 64th United States Secretary of states from 1997 to 2001 under President Bill Clinton. She was the first female Secretary of States in US history. Albright immigrated with her family to the United States in 1948 from Czechoslovakia. Her father, diplomat Josef Korbel, settled the family in Denver, Colorado, and she became a US citizen in 1957. Albright graduated from Wellesley College in 1959 and earned a Ph.D from Columbia University in 1975, writing her thesis on the Prague Spring.





## BARBARA CHARLINE JORDAN

Barbara Charline Jordan was an American lawyer, educator and politician who was a leader in the Civil Rights Movement. A Democrat, she was the first African American elected to the Texas Senate after Reconstruction and the first Southern African-American woman elected to the United States House of Representatives. Jordan is known for her eloquent opening statement at the House Judiciary Committee hearings during the impeachment process against Richard Nixon. In 1976, she became the first African-American, and the first woman, to ever deliver a keynote address at a Democratic National Convention.





## JANET LOUISE YELLEN

Janet Louise Yellen is an American economist, educator and government official serving as the 78th United States Secretary of the Treasury since January 26, 2021. A member of the Democratic Party, she previously served as the 15th Chair of the Federal Reserve from 2014 to 2018. Yellen is the first woman to hold either role. She is also a Professor Emerita at Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley, and formerly a distinguished Fellow in Residence at the Brookings Institution





## DEB HAALAND

Debra Anne Haaland is an American politician serving as the 54th United States Secretary of the Interior. A member of the Democratic Party, she served as Chair of the New Mexico Democratic Party from 2015 to 2017 and as the US Representative for New Mexico's 1st Congressional District from 2019 to 2021. Haaland is a Native American and enrolled member of the Laguna Pueblo tribe. Haaland's Congressional District included most of Albuquerque and most of its suburbs





## SONIA SOTOMAYOR

Sonia Maria Sotomayor is an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. She was nominated by President Barack Obama on May 26, 2009 and has served since August 8, 2009. She is the third woman to hold the position. Sotomayor is the first woman of color, first Hispanic, and first Latina member of the Court. Sotomayor was born in The Bronx, New York City, to Puerto Rican-born parents. Her father died when she was nine, and she was subsequently raised by her mother.





## MARY JACKSON

Mary Jackson was the 1st Black NASA Engineer American Mathematician and Aerospace Engineer at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics(NACA), which in 1958 was succeeded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration(NASA). She worked at Langley Research Center in Hampton, Virginia, for most of her career. She started as a computer at the segregated West Area Computing division in 1951. She took advanced Engineering classes and, in 1958, became NASA's first black female Engineer. After 34 years at NASA, Jackson had earned the most Senior Engineering title available.



A circular portrait of Katherine Johnson, an elderly African American woman with short white hair, wearing glasses and large pearl earrings. The portrait is set against a green background with a gold glitter border and is decorated with pink and purple flowers. The name "KATHERINE JOHNSON" is written in white capital letters on a purple banner below the portrait.

## KATHERINE JOHNSON

Katherine Johnson (1918-2020) was an African American mathematician who made significant contributions to NASA's space program during the 1950s and 1960s. She was one of the pioneering women who worked as a "human computer" at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), which later became NASA. Despite facing racial and gender discrimination throughout her career, Johnson's achievements paved the way for other women and minorities in science and technology.





## DOROTHY VAUGHAN

Dorothy Vaughan (1910-2008) was an African American mathematician and computer programmer who made significant contributions to NASA's space program during the 1950s and 1960s. She was one of the pioneering women who worked as a "human computer" at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), which later became NASA.

In 2016, Vaughan was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama for her contributions to the space program





## JO ANN ROBINSON

Jo Ann Robinson organized a city bus boycott by African Americans in Montgomery, Alabama, in 1955 that changed the course of civil rights in America. After a verbally abusive encounter on a segregated city bus, Jo Ann Robinson became an advocate for equal rights for African Americans. She led a successful city bus boycott that gained national attention and the support of Martin Luther King Jr





## GWENDOLYN ELIZABETH BROOKS

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Brooks was an American poet, author, and teacher. Her work often dealt with the personal celebrations and struggles of ordinary people in her community. She won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry on May 1, 1950, for *Annie Allen*, making her the first African American to receive a Pulitzer Prize. Throughout her prolific writing career, Brooks received many more honors. A lifelong resident of Chicago, she was appointed Poet Laureate of Illinois in 1968, a position she held until her death 32 years later





## MARY CHURCH TERRELL

She was an American civil rights activist and women's rights advocate. She was born in Memphis, Tennessee, and was the daughter of former slaves who became successful business owners. Terrell was a trailblazer in the fight for civil rights and women's rights. She worked tirelessly throughout her life to promote equality and justice for all people. She passed away in 1954 at the age of 90, but her legacy continues to inspire activists today.





## MAYA ANGELOU

Maya Angelou was an American author, poet, and civil rights activist. She was best known for her autobiographical work, including "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," which is considered a classic of African American literature. Throughout her life, Angelou was an advocate for civil rights and social justice. She worked with both Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X during the 1960s and was active in the Civil Rights Movement. She also spoke out on issues such as women's rights, poverty, and education.





## BELLA ABZUG

She was an American lawyer, feminist, and politician. She was born in New York City and was known for her outspoken personality and her commitment to social justice and women's rights. Abzug was known for her colorful personality and her trademark hats, which she wore as a symbol of her feminist beliefs. She ran for the U.S. Senate in 1976 but was defeated in the Democratic primary.

She served as the co-chair of the National Advisory Committee on Women under President Jimmy Carter and worked to promote women's rights around the world.





## YURI KOCHIYAMA

Yuri Kochiyama was a Japanese-American human rights activist, community organizer, and writer. She was born in San Pedro, California, and was raised in a predominantly white neighborhood. During World War II, Kochiyama and her family were forced to move to a Japanese-American internment camp in Arkansas. Kochiyama's activism and advocacy have inspired many people around the world. She received numerous awards and honors for her work, including the Order of the Rising Sun from the Japanese Government. She passed away in 2014 at the age of 93.





**CICELY TYSON**

American actress and fashion model. She was born and raised in Harlem, New York City and began her career as a fashion model in the 1950s. Tyson transitioned to acting in the 1960s and quickly became known for her talent and grace on stage and screen. In a career spanning more than seven decades she became known for her portrayal of strong African-American women. Tyson was the recipient of 3 primetime awards Emmy Awards Four Black Reel Award an Honorary Academy Award, and a Peabody Award





## ROSA PARKS

She was an American civil rights activist who is best known for her role in the Montgomery bus boycott. She was born and raised in Tuskegee, Alabama, and grew up in a family that was deeply committed to social justice. Parks became a symbol of the civil rights movement, and her actions inspired many others to fight against discrimination and racism. She continued to work for social justice throughout her life, serving as a leader in the NAACP and working with various other organizations to promote civil rights and equality.

Parks received numerous awards and honors for her activism, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Congressional Gold Medal.