

“Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced” is the 2021 theme for **Women’s History Month**. What began as a one day then one week celebration evolved in 1987 into a month-long observance after Congress passed Public Law 100-9. Women’s History Month is a way to learn more about and honor the many achievements and contributions women have made throughout our history. This year’s theme comes after the suffrage centennial in 2020 marking 100 years since women earned the right to vote with the ratification of the 19th amendment.

Suggestions for Celebrating

1. Host an inspiring female to speak at your meeting this month.
2. Encourage students to interview and learn about the women in their own lives.
3. Learn more about great women in history! Visit Education.com and download free coloring sheets and biographies: <https://www.education.com/resources/womens-history-month/?cid=11.75>
4. Watch movies about women who pioneered change. A few ideas: Hidden Figures, RBG, Suffragette; or great movies about powerful fictional female leads: Captain Marvel, Whale Rider, Moana, Little Women. PBS has Women’s History Month programming all March: <https://www.pbs.org/articles/2021/03/what-to-watch-womens-history-month-2021/>
5. Read an inspiring story! Some ideas for children’s books: <https://www.atlantaparent.com/6-must-read-kids-books-womens-history-month/>

Additional Resources

<https://womenshistorymonth.gov/>
<https://www.womenshistory.org/>
<https://nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org/>