1848

1870

THE CITY OF
WEST HOLLYWOOD
PRESENTS

City of West Hollywood
California 1984

ORIGIN STORY OF WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE

weho.org/19th @wehocity

1872

SUSAN B. ANTHONY ARRESTED

FOR VOTING FOR ULYSSES S. GRANT IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

> “*It was we, the people; not we, the white male citizens; nor yet we, the male citizens; but we, the whole people, who formed the Union. And we formed it, not to give the blessings of liberty, but to secure them; not to the half of ourselves and the half of our posterity, but to the whole people — women as well as men. And it is a downright mockery to talk to women of their enjoyment of the blessings of liberty while they are denied the use of the only means of securing them provided by this democratic-republican government — the ballot.*”

— Susan B. Anthony
Woman’s Rights to the Suffrage, 1873

THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

First introduced in Congress

1876

NAT'L AMERI WOMAN SUF ASSOCIATIO (NAWSA) FO

As the movement's mainstr
state-by-state campaigns t

18

CAN
FRAGE
N
RMS

THE NATIONAL WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION AND AMERICAN WOMEN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION MERGE

eam organization, NAWSA wages
o obtain voting rights for women

90

1893

COLORAD
BECOMES
FIRST STAT
TO ADOPT
AMENDMEN
GRANTING
WOMEN
THE RIGHT
TO VOTE

O

E

NT

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN (NACW) FORMED

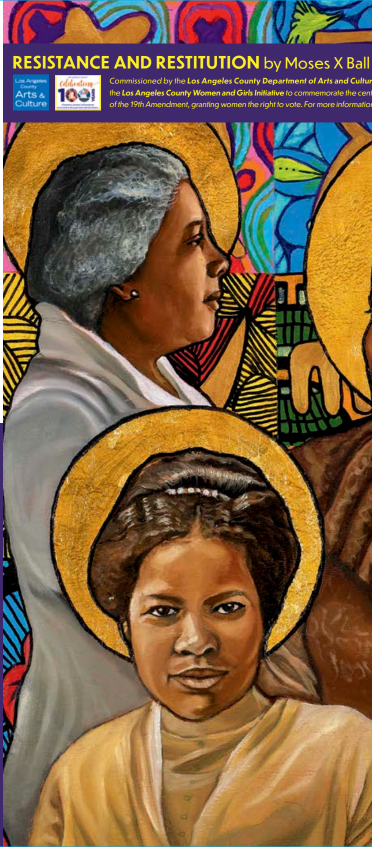
1896

NACW’s motto: “Lifting as We Climb”

Founded by Black suffragists and reformers, including **Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin** and **Charlotte Forten Grimké**, NACW advocated for women’s rights as well as to “uplift” and improve the status of African Americans

NACW becomes the largest federation of local Black women’s clubs

Leaders in the Black women’s club movement included **Harriet Tubman, Anna Julia Cooper,** and **Mary Church Terrell**, who served as the NACW’s first president



RESISTANCE AND RESTITUTION by Moses X Ball

*Commissioned by the **Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Cultur** the **Los Angeles County Women and Girls Initiative** to commemorate the cent of the 19th Amendment, granting women the right to vote. For more informatio*

e in collaboration with
ennial of the ratification
n, visit ***lacountyarts.org***

NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION (NAWSA

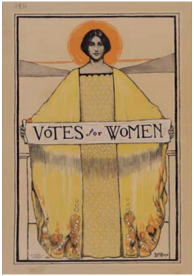
Elects Vice Presidents: Jane Addams as fi
and Sophonisba Breckinridge as second.

1911

A)

rst

For the next year, the leadership team of Jane Addams, Sophonisba Breckinridge and Anna Howard Shaw took control of the nation's largest feminist organization. Although none of these women publicly claimed a lesbian identity, all three had significant same-sex relationships. Today it is acknowledged that many notable suffragist movement leaders were lesbian, gender fluid, transgender and gender non-conforming including Susan B. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt, Alice Dunbar-Nelson, Dr. Margaret Chung, Annie Tinker, Angelina Weld Grimké, and Frances Willard.



CALIFORNIA BECOMES
THE WOMEN'S SUFFRA

Suffragists organized over 10,000 people
town to town giving speeches from their cars,
pages of literature as well as 90,000 'votes fo

NAT'L ASSOC. OPPOSED TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE (NAOWS) FOUNDED

By women opposed to the movement, NAOWS was the most popular anti-suffrage organization in northeastern cities

THE
SUP
RIG

Roosev
the firs
suppo

THE 6TH STATE TO RATIFY
GE AMENDMENT

throughout the state in every county, drove from
utilized billboards, and passed out over 3 million
r women' buttons in Southern California alone.

1

ODORE ROOSEVELT PPORTS WOMEN’S HT TO VOTE

velt’s Bull Moose Party becomes
t national major political party to
rt women’s suffrage

912

WOMAN PROCESS

First public demon
the nation’s capital

19

SUFFRAGE
ION ”

stration in
for women’s suffrage

Parade was organized down Pennsylvania Avenue and called on participants to

“ march in a spirit of protest against the present political organization of society, from which women are excluded ”

13

CONGRESSIONAL UNION FOR WOMEN SUFFRAGE FORMED

By Alice Paul & Lucy Burn

To lobby for a federal constitutional amendme
to secure the national right to vote for women

ALPHA SUFFRAGE CLUB OF CHICAGO FOUNDED

By Ida B. Wells

Becomes the nation's first Black women's club focused specifically on suffrage

N

ns

ent

1915

OVER 500,000 SIGNATURES GATHERED IN FAVOR OF WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE

Mabel Vernon and **Sara Bard Field** lead a transcontinental tour, gathering over 500,000 signatures on petitions to Congress in favor of suffrage

FIR
IS E
TO

1

ST WOMAN LECTED CONGRESS

Jeannette Rankin of is elected to the House of Repres

916

WOODROW W
STATES THE DEM
PARTY PLATFOR
SUPPORT SUFFR

Montana

entatives

ILSON
OCRATIC
M WILL
AGE

1917

AMERICA ENTERS WW1

Women step up
to support the
nation but still
do not have
the right to vote

ALICE PAUL BEGINS HUNGER STRIKE

In July, picketers arrested on charges of “obstructing traffic”

Paul and others are convicted and incarcerated at the Occoquan Workhouse in Virginia