

# MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

# NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 2020



Events on the calendar may have changed. See [mtsu.edu/calendar](https://mtsu.edu/calendar) for current information.

## ALL MONTH, MARCH 1-31



### Battle for the Ballot: A Visual History of the Suffrage Movement

Walker Library  
Collection of memorabilia tells the story of the U.S. suffrage movement, with a focus on Tennessee's role in ratifying the 19th Amendment.  
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Sponsored by the President's Commission on the Status of Women

## MONDAY, MARCH 2

### Mentoring in Motion

6:00 p.m., Science Building, Room 1003  
Speaker: Loretta Stokes, director of software engineering manager for Eventbrite, Nashville  
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### Women in Politics with Beth Harwell

2:20 p.m., Student Union, Parliamentary Room  
Tennessee's first female speaker of the House (2011-18), who is now an MTSU Distinguished Visiting Professor, talks about women in politics and her experiences.  
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## TUESDAY, MARCH 3



1:00 p.m., Opening Ceremony, James Union Building, Tennessee Room  
Local trailblazers will be recognized, and NPT's Beth Curley will speak about the new documentary *By One Vote*. Visitors may park in the Ingram Lot; golf cart shuttles will be available.  
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## BY ONE VOTE

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN THE SOUTH

NARRATED BY ROSANNE CASH  
2:00 p.m., Documentary Screening, James Union Building, Tennessee Room  
Second-ever showing of NPT original documentary

3:00 p.m., Panel Discussion, James Union Building, Tennessee Room  
Panelists: Beth Curley, Demetria Kalodimos, Mary Makley, LaTonya Turner and Linda Wynn



4:00 p.m., Opening Ceremony Reception, James Union Building, Hazelwood Room  
Co-sponsored by NWHM, the American Democracy Project, and the President's Commission on the Status of Women

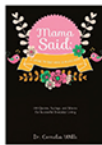
### When Civil War is Waged by Women

1:00-2:20 p.m., Peck Hall, Room 220  
Classroom presentation discusses Emmeline Pankhurst, leader of the radical British Women's Suffrage Movement, and reformist domestic terrorism that exacted millions of dollars monthly in property damage.  
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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

### Mama Said a Word to the Wise Is Sufficient

3:00-4:00 p.m., Student Union Ballroom  
Dr. Cornelia Wills, MTSU's internationally recognized author, shares insights on how the sayings, quotes, and idioms from her fun, wisdom-filled book can be applied for successful everyday living; book signing and refreshments will follow.  
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## FRIDAY, MARCH 6

### Nevertheless She Rocked

7:00 p.m., Chris Young Café  
A Southern Girls Rock and Roll Camp reunion  
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## MONDAY, MARCH 16

### Aletheia: Opera Singer/Trombonist in an Iron Cage

8:00 p.m., Wright Music Building, Hinton Music Hall  
Aletheia, an ancient Greek word that means creating a space where truth can appear, is a performance art piece written for singer/instrumentalist, computer-controlled piano and quadruphonics by Abbie Conant (text and performance) and William Osborne (composition, text, direction, sound design, and stage set).  
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### Purses with a Purpose

TBA  
Pinnacle Honor Society is collecting gently used purses to fill with toiletries to give to women at the local domestic violence shelter. You can bring purses to Student Union Room 330 throughout the month of March; ask for Brittany Butler. Please look for more information TBA on tabling locations for purse drop-offs.  
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## TUESDAY, MARCH 17

### Road to Suffrage: Educator Workshop

9:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m., Student Union, Room 210  
This workshop is open to teachers, librarians, media specialists, pre-service educators, and MTSU students. It will explore the broader story of women's suffrage in U.S. history with activities using primary sources from the Library of Congress that align with Tennessee curriculum standards in grades 4, 5, 8 and high school.  
Registration required: [kira.duke@mtsu.edu](mailto:kira.duke@mtsu.edu)  
Sponsored by Teaching with Primary Sources-MTSU

### The Road to Suffrage: Celebrating the Centennial of Woman Suffrage

2:30-4:30 p.m., Student Union Ballroom  
This symposium includes a 30-minute Q&A session moderated by Dr. Tiffany Momon, MTSU alumna and professor at Sewanee: The University of the South.

- "Intersections: The Promise and Perils of the Early Woman Suffrage Movement," Dr. Laura Free, author of *Suffrage Reconstructed: Gender, Race, and Voting Rights in the Civil War Era* and professor at Hobart and William Smith Colleges (visit supported by the MTSU Distinguished Lecture Fund)
- "Unsettled Women in the Progressive Era: Not Just Suffrage, but Different Concepts of Reform," Dr. Minoa Uffelman, professor at Austin Peay State University

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Organized by the MTSU Center for Historic Preservation

### You Sound Like A Ladies Orchestra

7:00 p.m., Saunders Fine Arts, Room 101  
Subtitled "My experiences with gender discrimination and how I have responded with my art," this one-hour Power Point presentation discusses discrimination that Abbie Conant has experienced in classical music and how she responded with her music theater works, including video examples.  
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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

### Equal-Tea

4:30-6:00 p.m., Student Union Ballroom  
This high-tea event (hats optional) for AAUW Murfreesboro and the Middle Tennessee Fund for Women and Girls raises funds for scholarships for MTSU women students returning to complete a degree.  
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### National Women's History Month Keynote Speaker: Dr. Mary Frances Berry

7:00 p.m., Student Union Ballroom  
Berry, former chair of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission across four presidential administrations, believes that each generation has the responsibility to make a dent in the wall of injustice. Her clarion call challenges everyone to stand up, stand tall and to never give up the fight. A book signing will follow.  
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## THURSDAY, MARCH 19

### So You Want A Job in the Music Industry?: Women's Experiences

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Student Union, Parliamentary Room  
Six panelists and a moderator share their experiences as women working in the male-dominated music industry, navigating both their educational and career paths.  
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## THURSDAY, MARCH 19

### Start Smart Workshop

3:30-5:30 p.m., Business and Aerospace, Room 326  
This program teaches college women how to have the confidence, knowledge and skill to negotiate salaries and benefits.  
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## MONDAY, MARCH 23

### Imbroglio: A Staged Reading of a Play

4:30-7:00 p.m., Ingram Building, MT Center  
Melissa Maxwell, a New York director, actor, and playwright, visits campus for a staged reading of her play-in-progress, followed by a conversation with the author.  
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Special thanks to NWHM, the Virginia Peck Fund, MTSU Write, the English Department, and the Department of Theatre and Dance

## TUESDAY, MARCH 24

### Women's International Poetry Reading

3:30-5:30 p.m., Tom Jackson Building  
This event celebrates women and poetry all over the world with poems read by international women ready on the target language, followed by an English translation; refreshments will be served.  
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## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

### Start Smart Workshop

10:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m., Business and Aerospace, Room 326  
This program teaches college women how to have the confidence, knowledge and skill to negotiate salaries and benefits.  
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## THURSDAY, MARCH 26

### Mr. Temple And The Tigerbelles

2:00 p.m., Student Union Theater  
MTSU's Tom Neff chronicles the story of Tennessee State University track coach Ed Temple and the group of African American female athletes who broke the Olympics color barrier and won 23 medals (16 gold). Wilma Rudolph became the first U.S. woman to win three gold medals in one Olympics.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 27

### The Color Purple Theatrical Performance

8:00 p.m., TPAC, Nashville  
The Tony Award winner for Best Musical Revival gives an exhilarating new spirit to this Pulitzer Prize-winning story.  
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## SATURDAY, MARCH 28

### Leadership, Identity, and Social Activism Conference

TBA, Miller Education Center  
This MTSU Asian Student Association event aims to shape civic discourse surrounding gender violence and civil rights issues.  
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## MONDAY, MARCH 30

### Suffragists and the Media

10:20-11:15 a.m., McWherter LRC, Room 221  
Brooke Kroeger (author of *suffrageandthedia.org* and NYU professor) and Teri Finneman (University of Kansas professor) address the suffragist movement and the media.  
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## TUESDAY, MARCH 31

### The Color Purple: A Conversation

6:00-8:00 p.m., Tom Jackson Building  
Students, faculty and staff are invited to join a multigenerational roundtable on themes in *The Color Purple*, including gender roles, signs of healthy/unhealthy relationships, masculinity, sisterhood, and the collective power of healing. Food and beverages provided.  
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