

2021 *Calendar*



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FEBRUARY

Black History Month
Heart Health Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 WomenX Movie Night	11 International Day of Women & Girls in Science	12	13
14	15 The Suffrage Monument sculpted by Adelaide Johnson is dedicated at the U.S. Capitol (1921)	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Full Snow Moon ● Supreme Court upholds 19th Amend. guaranteeing women the right to vote (1922)
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Marie Maynard Daly — Biochemist
April 16, 1921 – October 28, 2003

Marie Maynard Daly became the first Black woman to receive a Ph.D. in chemistry in the U.S. Her groundbreaking research at Columbia University identified the relationship between high cholesterol, clogged arteries, and heart issues which clarified how diet affects our health. In addition to pushing the field of science forward, Marie dedicated her life to increasing the number of people of color in medical school and in graduate science programs.





MARCH

Women's History Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Congress passes resolution designating March as Women's History Month (1987)	2	3 Women's Suffrage Parade in Washington, DC. Over 8000 women gathered for women's right to vote (1913)	4	5	6
7 WomenX Run for Our Future	8 International Women's Day	9	10 WomenX Movie Night	11	12 First Girl Scout meeting in Savannah, Georgia (1912)	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Full Worm Moon 🌕	29	30	31 Equal Pay Day Abigail Adams writes to her husband John, who is helping to frame the Declaration of Independence, and cautions, "Remember the ladies..." (1776)			

Hetty Green — Investor, Financier

November 21, 1834 – July 3, 1916


Hetty Green was The Richest Woman of the Gilded Age. At 27, Hetty inherited, not without contest, nearly \$6 million. It was not until she was 42 when she started to practice the lessons she learned as a child to invest her fortune. Her strategy was to buy low and sell high, and she always held sums of cash for buying and lending to men when the markets fell. She even lent to businesses, churches, and the city of New York and Chicago. She was remarkably successful growing her wealth to \$100 million by the time of her death. Hetty was absolutely fearless and relentless toward those who tried to take advantage of her.





APRIL

Jazz Appreciation Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 WomenX Movie Night	15	16 Marie Maynard Daly (1921) & Selena Quintanilla-Pérez Birthdays (1971)	17
18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23	24
25	26	27 Full Pink Moon 	28	29	30	

Mary Lou Williams — *Composer, Jazz Musician* May 8, 1910 – May 28, 1981

Known as the "first lady of the jazz keyboard," **Mary Lou Williams** was one of the most important musicians of her time. Over her 60-year career as a jazz pianist, arranger, and composer, she wrote hundreds of compositions and arrangements, recorded over one hundred albums, and mentored her male counterparts who would go on to become jazz icons. Mary's musical style can be summed up with one word: freedom. Unlike many jazz musicians of her time, she embraced modern culture and taught her students and mentees to do the same. Her curiosity with contemporary styles, however, never overshadowed her first love of jazz, for which she remained a fierce advocate.





"To me, beauty appears when one feels deeply,
and art is an act of total attention."

- Protea Lange

MAY

Photography Month Asian American Islander Pacific Heritage

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Mary Lou Williams Birthday (1910)
9 Mother's Day	10	11	12 WomenX Movie Night	13	14	15 National Woman's Suffrage Association (1969)
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Full Flower Moon ●	27	28	29
30	31		Dorothea Lange Birthday (1895)			

Dorothea Lange — Photographer

May 26, 1895 – October 11, 1965

Dorothea Lange wanted to use her lens for social change. A severe and painful battle with polio as a child left her with a permanent limp and a compassionate spirit. Dorothea's photos poignantly captured the harsh realities of some of America's darkest periods, including The Great Depression, by shining a light on human dignity and resilience. She challenged her contemporaries not to be "more concerned with illusion than reality. It does not reflect but contrives. It lives in a world of its own."





"Love isn't
what we did
yesterday;
it's about
what we do
today,
tomorrow,
and the day
after"

Grace Lee Boggs



JUNE

Pride Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 WomenX Movie Night	10 The Equal Pay Act passes (1963)	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 WNBA plays its first game (1997)	22	23 WomenX Celebrates its 3 rd Birthday 	24 Full Strawberry Moon 	25	26
27 Grace Lee Boggs Birthday (1915)	28	29	30 Title IX passes (1972)			

Grace Lee Boggs — Author, Social Activist, Philosopher, and Centenarian June 27, 1915 – October 5, 2015

After attending Barnard College at 16, and earning a doctorate in philosophy, universities were still reluctant to hire a Chinese-American woman like **Grace Lee Boggs** to teach political thought. She began fighting for labor rights in Detroit and continued fighting for equality: civil rights, women's rights, and gay rights. She believed "conversation is where you try to honestly confront the limits of your own ideas in order to come to a new understanding" and spent much of her 100 years reimagining ways to challenge the status quo. Her life's work, mission, and wisdom drive the ethos of WomenX.






AJM-2011/2/20/30

JULY

Space Exploration Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 President Johnson signs the Civil Rights Act; Title VII prohibits sex discrimination in employment (1964)	3
4	5	6 Althea Gibson is the 1st Black woman to win a Wimbledon title in women's tennis singles (1957)	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 WomenX Movie Night	15	16	17
18	19 The Seneca Falls Convention, the country's first women's rights convention, is held in Seneca Falls, New York. Women's Rights Movement (1848)	20 Space Exploration Day	21	22	23 Full Buck Moon 	24
25	26 The Americans with Disabilities Act is signed into law (1990)	27	28	29	30	31

Mary Sherman Morgan — Chemist, Inventor of Jet Fuel

November 4, 1921 – August 4, 2004

Mary Sherman Morgan and her team developed a new liquid fuel that increased the thrust of the Army's Redstone missiles necessary to launch heavier articles like satellites. As the only female engineer among 900 rocket scientists, Mary truly was a Rocket Woman. Her contribution was unknown until after her death when her son George Morgan discovered his mom "single handedly saved America's space program and nobody knows it but a handful of old men." He dedicated the next 10 years of his life documenting her brilliance in the book *Rocket Girl*.





AUGUST

Celebrating the Sisterhood Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 National Sisters' Day & National Friendship Day	2	3	4	5	6 The Voting Rights Act outlaws literacy tests. Suffrage is fully extended to Black women (1965)	7
8	9	10	11 WomenX Movie Night	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Full Sturgeon Moon 🍷	23	24 Marsha P. Johnson Birthday (1945)	25 Althea Gibson Birthday (1927)	26 Women's Equality Day	27	28
29	30	31				

Althea Gibson — *Athlete, Tennis Player*
August 25, 1927 – September 28, 2003

Althea Gibson was the first Black tennis player to win the French Open, Wimbledon, and the U.S. Open. Althea won 11 Grand Slams and six doubles championships in addition to her singles career. She used her platform to create opportunities for Black youth to have access to tennis so that her first would not be the last. Before Black women were thriving in medicine, law, the sciences, and even politics, Althea unapologetically said, "I belong."



Selenax



SEPTEMBER

National Hispanic
Heritage Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 WomenX Movie Night	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Hispanic Heritage Month Begins	16	17	18
19	20 Full Harvest Moon ●	21	22 American Business Women's Day	23	24	25 Sandra Day O'Connor becomes the 1st woman appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court (1981)
26	27	28	29	30		

Selena Quintanilla-Pérez — *Singer, Songwriter, Businesswoman, Fashion Designer*
April 16, 1971 – March 31, 1995

Selena's voice enchanted us with its beauty and intangible power. She wooed fans with her deep, emotional lyricism and daring, iconic fashion. Through her music and bilingualism, she emphasized music's ability to resonate with people across cultures. In 1993, she became the first woman Tejano artist to win a Grammy for best Mexican-American album. Her life was tragically cut short, but her fans worldwide continue to celebrate her as the "Queen of Tejano Music."





OCTOBER

Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Global Diversity Awareness Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 National Diversity Week Ruth Bader Ginsburg joins the U.S. Supreme Court as its 2nd woman Justice (1993)	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Int'l Day of the Girl	12	13 WomenX Movie Night	14	15 Hispanic Heritage Month Ends	16
17	18 Multicultural Diversity Day	19	20 Full Blood Moon ●	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31					National Organization for Women (NOW) Founded (1966)	

Shirley Chisholm — *American Politician, Educator, and Author*
November 30, 1924 – January 1, 2005

Shirley Chisholm made history when she ran to be the Democratic nominee for President of the United States in 1972 with the campaign slogan, "Unbought and Unbossed". She was a trailblazing congresswoman, founding member of the National Organization for Women (NOW), and fierce health care advocate for women and children. Her career as a fierce legislator paved the way for women, like Rep. Cardiss Collins, to sponsor the bill that designated October, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.





NOVEMBER

Native American Heritage Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 New England Female Medical School opens (1st women's medical school) (1848)	2	3	4 Mary Sherman Morgan Birthday (1921)	5	6
7	8	9	10 WomenX Movie Night	11	12 Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority founded (1922)	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Full Beaver Moon 🍁	20
21 Hetty Green Birthday (1834)	22	23	24	25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	26	27
28	29	30 Shirley Chisholm Birthday (1924)				

Maria Martinez — Native American Artist

DOB unknown 1887 – July 20, 1980

Making pottery was passed down to **Maria Martinez** by her aunt and grandmother. By 13, her creativity and skill was already recognized and her pottery was celebrated within the Tewa Indian tribe. She carefully gathered locally sourced clay, pounded broken pots into powder or used volcanic ash to strengthen the pottery. For more than eight decades, she continued the pottery tradition of the San Ildefonso Pueblo, carrying on a history going back to 1300 A.D.

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PAY IT NO MIND. I WAS NO ONE, NOBODY, FROM NOWHERESVILLE,

HISTORY ISN'T SOMETHING YOU LOOK BACK AT AND SAY IT WAS INEVITABLE,

IT HAPPENS BECAUSE PEOPLE MAKE DECISIONS

THAT ARE SOMETIMES VERY IMPULSIVE

AND OF THE MOMENT, BUT THOSE MOMENTS ARE CUMULATIVE REALITIES.



UNTIL I BECAME A DRAG QUEEN.

I MAY BE CRAZY, BUT THAT DON'T MAKE ME WRONG.

NOBODY PROMISED YOU TOMORROW

-MARSHA P. JOHNSON

DECEMBER *HIV/AIDS Awareness Month*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 <i>Women Movie Night</i>	9	10 International Human Rights Day	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Full Cold Moon 🟠	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Marsha P. Johnson — *Icon, Drag Queen, LGBTQ+ Activist*
August 24, 1945 – July 6, 1992

Marsha P. Johnson was a self proclaimed drag queen who was an essential advocate for equality in the gay liberation movement. Long before her own positive diagnosis, Marsha was a tireless advocate for AIDS patients. Working with the ACT UP Aids coalition, Marsha participated in demonstrations to raise awareness of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. After the Stonewall riots, she established the “STAR House” which served as a shelter for gay and trans street kids.





JANUARY 2022

*Celebrating the
Divine Nine*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WOMEN WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 New Year's Day
2 Sadie T.M. Alexander Birthday (1898)	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 WomenX Movie Night	13 Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Founded (1913)	14	15 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Founded (1908)
16 Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Founded (1920)	17 Full Wolf Moon 🐺	18	19	20 Anniversary of the first woman Vice President sworn into office, member of the AKA sorority (2021)	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Sadie Tanner Mossell Alexander — Solicitor, Economist

January 2, 1898 – November 1, 1989

Sadie T.M. Alexander's life is a testament to her sorority Delta Sigma Theta's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust, which values Educational Development, International Awareness, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness. Her commitment to this mission fueled her academic pursuits and she accomplished many firsts, including becoming the first Black woman to graduate from law school, gain admission to the Pennsylvania bar, and hold both a Ph.D. and J.D. Sadie's legacy reaches far beyond the realm of academia. She rose to leadership as the first President of her sorority and she used her expertise as an economist and brilliant attorney to open the door of opportunity for black communities and women across the nation.



ABOUT WOMENX

WomenX is an online higher education platform designed specifically to meet the needs of women today and prepare women for gainful careers in influential industries.

For students from marginalized groups, community support is critical to academic success. The voices of women, especially BIPOC women, are often quieted in broad university settings — making community-building a major struggle. At the same time, the cost of in-person colleges has increased significantly over time

making higher education unaffordable to many. In 2019, 600,000 eligible women didn't enroll in college. And women who have attended college currently hold two-thirds of the nation's student debt: 1 trillion dollars. WomenX's mission is to expedite gender parity by ensuring that every woman can gain the critical skills and support necessary to excel in influential careers matched to their unique talents; ultimately obtaining leadership roles that will enable them to affect change and build financial wealth equal to men. WomenX is an online learning community that focuses on woman-identified students and is designed to meet their needs for affordable, supportive, and expertly-curated education.



WE EDUCATE WOMEN BECAUSE IT CHANGES THE WORLD.

-Drew Faust

ABOUT PATHWAYS

WomenX focuses on building strategic partnerships with universities, colleges, and corporations in order to create more accessible pathways for WomenX students to pursue degree programs, without incurring debilitating debt, while also expanding their networks through professional experiences that lead to gainful employment in high impact industries. We are eager to continue working with institutions committed to achieving women parity over the course of the next decade by promoting more women to leadership positions, ensuring wage equity, and enacting policies that truly support working women juggling multiple responsibilities.

Equality can't wait!

OUR APPROACH

CHALLENGES

WAGES AND WEALTH



Narrowing the gap between earnings and wealth for women in comparison to men

ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION



Removing the burden of commuting to a physical space by providing women with a deep, quality education in the comforts of their chosen environment through an interactive, digital experience

SHARE OF LEADERSHIP ROLES



Increasing the percentage of women in senior roles across the public, private, and social sectors

ISOLATION



Building an intergenerational, diverse community for women cultivated by women that supports them through the unique challenges they face navigating their academic and professional goals

CONTENT CREATION



Emphasizing the importance of sharing women's stories and highlighting women's histories in academia in order to capture the significant contributions women have made across diverse sectors



WomenX is an education non-profit reimagining women's access to deep learning and career opportunities in hopes of achieving gender parity in this decade. Women's contributions and achievements are overlooked in our history courses and headlines. Instead of waiting around for this recognition, WomenX designs courses and community events that encourage us all to discover, elevate and share women's histories and achievements. This annual calendar celebrates diverse, iconic women whose work set our nation on a better path. Their collective legacies serve as a bridge connecting our past, present, and future. We highlight women who furthered the course of their respective fields, from science to fine arts. Their contributions ultimately pushed American society forward. We share their histories with you through vibrant portraits contributed by a talented cohort of women artists. Thank you for joining us in celebrating women who look like all of us, representing our various cultures, disciplines, perspectives, and aspirations.

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