

**Schedule of Events for 2017 Convention Days
(revised 6-5-2017)**

Thursday, July 13, 2017

- 5:00 – 6:30 pm – Community Service Award Presentation and Reception
The late Philomena M. Cammuso is the 2017 recipient of the annual Community Service Award
Gould Hotel
108 Fall Street

Friday, July 14, 2017

- 9:00 am to 10:00 am – Convention Days Press Conference
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 10:00 am to 10:45 am – Historical Actress, Eleanor Stearns, performs Amelia Earhart
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 10:00 am to 11:00 am – *A Deep Yearning for Peace: Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Another Mother for Peace*
Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Another Mother for Peace and the efforts of Barbara Avedon, Lorraine Schneider, Donna Reed, Dorothy B. Jones, Joanne Woodward, Paul Newman, Dick Van Dyke, Barbara Rush, Gloria Vanderbilt, Rod Serling, Bess Myerson, Debbie Reynolds, Robert Vaughan, Gerta Kata, Estelle Reiner, and hundreds of thousands of women and men around the world. Sponsored by the IDEA Center for the Voices of Humanity in partnership with Women’s Rights National Historical Park,
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – *Women in the World of Frederick Douglass* presentation by author Leigh Fought
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 11:00 am to 12:30 pm – *Promoting & Preserving Perpetual Peace: Welcome Reception and Launch of a Petition for Department of Peace and a Secretary of Peace*, featuring the words of Dr. Benjamin Rush, signer of the Declaration of Independence
Gould Hotel
108 Fall Street
- 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm – *Whaddaya Know? Women’s Rights Trivia for All Ages*
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm – Norman K. Dann Talk: *Elizabeth Cady Stanton & Gerrit Smith*
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm – “Flock of Free Range Children” Live Music
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – *Whaddaya Know? Women’s Rights Trivia for All Ages*
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm – *Seneca Falls: Beginning of the Woman Suffrage Movement?* Talk by Dr. Judith Wellman, PhD, author of *The Road to Seneca Falls: Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Women’s Rights Convention*.
The Seneca Falls women’s rights convention highlighted the importance of voting rights for women, promoted by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Frederick Douglass. But was it the first call for women’s suffrage?
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theatre
136 Fall Street
- 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm – Live Music by Paige K
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm – *The Innocence of Experience: Fanny Seward in Her Own Words* a Seward House Museum Play
Step back in time with Fanny Seward, the youngest daughter of Secretary of State William Seward, for a first-hand look at history. Interactive Q & A session with museum staff to follow. This original one woman show, written and performed by Maria Coleman, is made possible, in part, with public funds from NYSCA’s Decentralization Program, administered locally by Finger Lakes Community Arts Grants
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street

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- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm – *How, Why and by Whom was the Women’s Rights National Historical Park Created?* presentation by Judy Hart, Founding Superintendent, Women’s Rights National Historical Park
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm – “*A Fine Agitation...*” – *A Thanksgiving Dinner & the World Premiere of “Independence: Dr. Mary Walker – The Untold Story of an American Hero”*
Dinner based on a 1916 Thanksgiving menu from The Hoag House in Seneca Falls will commemorate: The Centennial of Women Securing the Right to Vote in New York State; The Centennial of the First Woman Being Elected to Congress; and the 50th Anniversary of Another Mother for Peace. “Independence” is a one-woman play about Dr. Mary Walker, one of the earliest female physicians in the U.S., a Civil War surgeon, and the ONLY woman to EVER receive the Medal of Honor. Written and directed by Lloyd J. Schwartz, starring Kathie Barnes. Call 315-568-5838 for further information.
Reservations required. Tickets for the dinner and play: \$60 and obtained at www.eventbrite.com/o/convention-days-inc-13443447986
New York Chiropractic College
2360 State Route 89
- 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm – Rob Okun, author of *Voice Male: The Untold Story of the Pro-Feminist Men’s Movement* presentation
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm -- Rob Okun, author of *Voice Male: The Untold Story of the Pro-Feminist Men’s Movement* book signing
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm – Outdoor Movie in partnership with the Seneca Falls Library
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street

All-Day Events on Friday, July 14, 2017

- Convention Days Community Family Day
Women’s Rights National Historical Park
136 Fall Street
- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm – IDEA Center for the Voices of Humanity & The Seneca Falls It’s A Wonderful Life Museum open at 32 Fall Street
 - Sign the Petition for a Department of Peace and a Secretary of Peace
 - Special Exhibits
 - “The Possibility of Moving Mountains to the Side of Right: Lucretia Mott & The Universal Peace Union”
 - “Hope Springs Maternal: Donna Reed & Another Mother for Peace”
 - “Jacob Chamberlain: Gentleman Signer of the Declaration of Sentiments”
 - Elizabeth Cady Stanton Foundation information table
- 9:00 am to Close -- Women’s Rights National Historical Park, 136 Fall Street
 - Visitor Center open
 - Dream Rocket Art Exhibit “*What Inequalities Do People Face Today?*” in Wesleyan Chapel
 - Sara Rosedahl & Meta Strick Art Exhibit in Visitor Center, 2nd Floor Exhibit Room
 - 40 Chances Poverty Exhibit in Visitor Center, First Floor
 - Organization and Vendor Tables in Declaration Park
- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm – Historical Actors Elizabeth Cady Stanton by Dr. Melinda Grube & Frederick Douglass by Nathan Richardson
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, various locations
136 Fall Street
- 9:00 am -- Seneca Falls Historical Society opens
55 Cayuga Street
- 10:00 am to 5:00 pm -- National Women’s Hall of Fame open
“Highlighting the Early Women’s Suffrage Movement: 100+ Years of Suffrage in New York State.” Information and artifacts about early Suffragists. Scavenger hunt with prizes.
76 Fall Street

Saturday, July 15, 2017

- 8:30 am to 9:00 am – A Gathering at the Elizabeth Cady Stanton House with Elizabeth Cady Stanton (portrayed by Dr. Melinda Grube) and Coline Jenkins (great-great grand-daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton)
Stanton House
32 Washington Street

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- 9:00 am. to 10:00 am. – Women’s Suffrage Procession from the Elizabeth Cady Stanton House to the Wesleyan Chapel. Participants are encouraged to dress in period attire from 1848 to 1920. Sponsored by the Friends of the Women’s Rights National Historical Park and Women March 2017
Stanton House – starting point
32 Washington Street
- 10:00 – 11:00 am – Welcoming words by Park Superintendent, Ami Ghazala. Proclamation of Indigenous Women’s Day, including the Council of Chiefs and Clan Mothers from the Iroquois Confederacy, Reading of the Declaration of Sentiments by Elizabeth Cady Stanton (portrayed by Dr. Melinda Grube); Declaration of Equalities for Muslim Women read by Nadia Sharam and discussed by Etin Anwar. Participants will have the opportunity to sign the declarations after the talks.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 10:00 – 11:00 am – “Three Little Pigs” presentation by the Merry Go-Round Theatre.
Seneca Falls Library
47 Cayuga Street
- 10:00 am to 5:00 pm – Visit with Ganondagan State Historic Site. Ronnie Reitter & Tonia Galban Akwesasne Mohawk, Bear clan, will be demonstrating beading and basket weaving
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 11:00 am to 2:00 pm – Keynote Speaker Elizabeth Nyamayaro presents *HeForShe Global Solidarity Movement*. Elizabeth Nyamayaro is Senior Advisor to Under Secretary-General and Executive Director, UN Women, and Global Head of the HeForShe Initiative
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm – Convention Days Luncheon featuring Guest Speaker Mary Owen, Donna Reed’s Daughter: “Donna Reed’s Efforts to Promote Women’s Rights and Peace.” Advance Reservations required: Call 315-568-8412
- 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm – Indigenous Music: “The Shenandoah Trio of Joanne, Leah and Diane Shenandoah celebrate the day with original music.
Joanne Shenandoah is one of America’s most celebrated indigenous musicians. She holds a Grammy and 40-plus music awards. She is also an ambassador of peace, human and earth rights, capturing the hearts of audiences all over the world.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm – Come and Have Your Say! Share your passion, your ideas & thoughts. Be a voice for contemporary feminist issues during Convention Days 2017. A ‘SOAP BOX’ (and a microphone) will be for you to stand and have your say. Time slots will be approximately 5 minutes. Registration necessary at the site with Women March in Seneca Fall.
Seneca Museum of Waterway and Industry – outside the Fall Street entrance
89 Fall Street
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm – Live Music by Keisha Slaughter
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Stanton House property
32 Washington Street
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Contributions of the Iroquois Women’s Circle: Women’s Circle
This discussion will provide contributions of Iroquois (Haudenosaunee) women from all territories across the state and include women’s rights, leadership, social, spiritual welfare, agriculture and the arts of the community.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm – Islamic Fashion Show by Hobart & William Smith Colleges Professor, Etin Anwar
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm – The First Presbyterian Church of Seneca Falls Open House
 - A guided tour of the site where Alice Paul called for The Equal Rights Amendment in 1923.
 - 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm – showing of the documentary *EQUAL MEANS EQUAL*. The documentary offers an unflinching look at how women are treated in the United States today. Examining both real life stories and precedent-setting legal cases, director Kamala Lopez uncovers how outdated and discriminatory attitudes inform and influence seemingly disparate issues, from workplace harassment to domestic violence, rape and sexual assault to the foster care system, and the healthcare conglomerate to the judicial system. Along the way, she reveals the inadequacy of present laws that claim to protect women, ultimately presenting a compelling and persuasive argument for the urgency of ratifying the Equal Rights Amendment.
First Presbyterian Church
23 Cayuga Street

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- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm – *You Can't Shave in a Minimart Bathroom* book talk by author Shauna Marie O'Toole, Director of the We Exist Coalition of the Finger Lakes
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136 Fall Street
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136 Fall Street
- 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm – Telos Trio concert
The Telos Trio consists of flute, clarinet and piano. *Equality Now!* by composer Gwyneth Walker intersperses readings from the Declaration of Sentiments and related writings that depicts the characteristics of the organizers of the 1848 Convention. Its 6 movements reflect the spirit of these women.
First Presbyterian Church
23 Cayuga Street
- 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm – The Anti-Temperance Boat Tour.
Enjoy a leisurely two hour cruise with a guided tour along the Cayuga-Seneca Canal, locking through Locks 2 & 3, and towards Cayuga Lake.
Departure from Cowing Street Visitor Center
\$50 per person. For tickets and more information, contact the Seneca Museum of Waterways and Industry, 89 Fall Street, 315-568-1510.
- 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm – Outdoor Movie in partnership with the Seneca Falls Library
Women's Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street

All-Day Events on Saturday, July 15, 2017

- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm – IDEA Center for the Voice of Humanity & The Seneca Falls It's A Wonderful Life Museum open at 32 Fall Street
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Sunday, July 16, 2017

- 9:00 am to 10:00 am – *From Bloomers to Voluntary Motherhood: Women's Bodies and Women's Rights in the 19th Century* Talk by Dr. Alison Park
Women's Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 9:00 am to 10:00 am – *Islamophobia and Cross-Cultural Dialogue* Workshop by Etin Anwar
Women's Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street

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- 10:00 am to 11:00 am – *Suffrage Memorabilia From the New York Campaign* Talk by Kenneth Florey; View Suffrage Artifacts in Person.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 10:00 am to 11:00 am – *WomenElect* presentation by Diana Cihak
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 10:00 am to 11:00 am – worship service at the Presbyterian Church where Alice Paul called for The Equal Rights Amendment in 1923.
The First Presbyterian Church
23 Cayuga Street
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – *The National Park Service LGBTQ Theme Study* with Megan Springate
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – *Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony: A Friendship that Changed the World* Talk by author Penny Colman
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theater
136 Fall Street
- 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm – *Being Me Movement* by Victoria Buda
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theatre
136 Fall Street
- 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm – Live Music by Antara “Little Weird Girl”
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Stanton House property
32 Washington Street
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm – Interfaith Gathering
People’s Park
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm – *Stuff You Missed in History Class* Live Podcast
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – Concinnity: Visions of Hope Choral Concert
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – *First Amendment/First Vote!* presentation by Melina Carnicelli from Women’s March in Seneca Falls
High school girls invited to WRNHP for civic engagement round tables in preparation for their first opportunity to vote at age 18.
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136 Fall Street
- 2:00 to 4:00 pm. – *Strawberry Stroll for Harriet Tubman*, including a walk to the Tubman burial site and a strawberry shortcake social in Seward’s Garden.
Seward House Museum, 33 South Street, Auburn, NY (approx.. 15 miles east of Seneca Falls
In case of inclement weather or for further information, telephone 315-252-1283
- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm – *Women in Business* by WomenElect’s Dianne Cihak
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 5:00 to 6:00 pm – *Seneca Falls in the 1840s* presentation by Seneca County Historian Walter Gable to promote better understanding of why the first women’s rights convention took place in Seneca Falls in July 1848. Preceding this will be a special welcome by Convention Days, Inc. extended to participants in the VoteTilla which will be departing Seneca Falls the following morning.
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Monday, July 17, 2017

- 9:00 am – official representation from Convention Days, Inc. to see off the departure of the VoteTilla