

**Preliminary Schedule of Events
for
2017 Convention Days**

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* – 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.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
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
- 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 Band
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm – *Seneca Falls: Beginning of the Woman Suffrage Movement?* Talk by Dr. Judith
Wellman, Ph D
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?
And was it the beginning of the organized women’s suffrage movement? Come and hear this lively talk by the
author of *The Road to Seneca Falls: Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Women’s Rights Convention*.
Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, Guntzel Theatre
136 Fall Street
- 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm – “*A Fine Agitation...*” – *A Thanksgiving Dinner*
This Dinner is To Commemorate the Centennial of Women Securing the Right to Vote in New York State in
1917; To Honor all Women in Congress in Memory of Jeanette Rankin, the First Woman Elected to Congress
in 1917; and To Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Another Mother for Peace. Thanksgiving 1916 Dinner Men
from the Hoag House, Seneca Falls
New York Chiropractic College, 2360 State Route 89
Tickets: \$60 -- www.eventbrite.com/o/convention-days-inc-13443447986
Information: 315-568-5838 & 315-568-8412

- 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm – **World Premiere** of “*Independence: Dr. Mary Walker: The Untold Story of an American Hero*”

This one-woman play was written and directed by Lloyd J. Schwartz, and stars Kathie Barnes. Dr. Mary Walker was the second female physician in the United States. Dr. Mary Walker is the only woman ever to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Delevan Theater, New York Chiropractic College

Free to those attending the “*A Fine Agitation...*” -- *A Thanksgiving Dinner*

- 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

- Information & Organization Tables

Women’s Rights National Historical Park, surrounding Declaration Park
136 Fall Street

- Convention Days Community Family Day

Women’s Rights National Historical Park
136 Fall Street

- National Women’s Hall of Fame open 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

“Highlighting the Early Women’s Suffrage Movement: 100+ Years of Suffrage in New York State.”
Information and artifacts about early Suffragettes. Scavenger hunt with prizes.
76 State Street

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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
- 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
Stanton House – starting point
32 Washington Street
- 10:00 – 11:00 am – Reading of the Declaration of Sentiments by Elizabeth Cady Stanton (portrayed by Dr. Melinda Grube); Declaration of Sentiments for Muslim Women read by Nadia Sharam and discussed by Etin Anwar; LGBTQ Declaration of Sentiments read by Ethan Lewis; Welcome by the Friends of Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Welcoming words by Park Superintendent, Ami Ghazala. Descendants of the signers of the Declaration of Sentiments will be recognized. 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
- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – Keynote Speaker Elizabeth Nyamayaro, Senior Advisor to Under Secretary-General UN Women; Head of HeForShe Movement
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”

Seneca Falls Community Center, 35 Water Street

Fee, with limited seating, advance reservations suggested, telephone 315-568-8412

- 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
Docent-guided tour of the site where Alice Paul called for The Equal Rights Amendment in 1923.
First Presbyterian Church
23 Cayuga Street
- 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm – “Independence: The True Story of Dr. Mary Walker” a one-woman play written and directed by Lloyd J. Schwartz Featuring Kathie Barnes
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm – Family Film
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm – Telos Trio concert
First Presbyterian Church
23 Cayuga Street
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.
- 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.

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Women’s Rights National Historical Park, surrounding Declaration Park
136 Fall Street
- Historical Actors Elizabeth Cady Stanton by Dr. Melinda Grube and Frederick Douglass by Nathan Richardson
Women’s Rights National Historical Park – various locations
136 Fall Street
- First Nations at the Wesleyan Chapel
Wesleyan Chapel, 136 Fall Street
- National Women’s Hall of Fame open 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
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Sunday, July 16, 2017

- 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

- 11:00 am to 12:00 pm – Docent-Guided Tour of 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 – *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
- 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm – Interfaith Gathering
People’s Park
- 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm – “Visions of Hope” Choral Concert by Concinnity
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 2:00 to 4:00 pm. – Strawberry Stroll for Tubman Twenty 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
- 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
Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel
136 Fall Street
- 6:00 to 7:00 pm – *Equality of Rights: The First Woman’s Rights Convention*, a dramatization by Gerald S. Argentsinger of the 1848 Seneca Falls Convention, performed by the Seneca Community Players.
Wesleyan Chapel, 136 Fall Street

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All-Day Events* on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 14-15-16

- Women’s Rights National Historical Park open
136 Fall Street
- Seneca Falls Historical Society open
Exhibit “Woman who made a difference in Law in NYS”
55 Cayuga Street
- National Women’s Hall of Fame open
76 Fall Street
- Special Exhibits, IDEA Center for the Voices of Humanity & The Seneca Falls It’s A Wonderful Life Museum

“A Deep Yearning for Peace”: Sign the petition for a Department of Peace and a Secretary of Peace

“The Possibility of Moving Mountains to the Side of Rights”: Lucretia Mott & The Universal Peace

Union

“Hope Springs Maternal”: Donna Reed & Another Mother for Peace

32 Fall Street

- Dream Rocket Art Exhibit “What Inequalities do People Face Today?”

Women’s Rights National Historical Park, Wesleyan Chapel

136 Fall Street

- Sara Rosedahl & Meta Strick Art Exhibit

Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, 2nd Floor Exhibit Room

136 Fall Street

- 40 Chances Exhibit

Women’s Rights National Historical Park Visitor Center, 1st Floor

136 Fall Street

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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