Women’s Suffrage
PERSONAL EXPRESSION AS POLITICAL ACTION

THIS YEAR MARKS THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed all American women the right to vote. To understand this critical moment in American history, our workshop will consider the relationship between Congress and suffragists, highlighting the ways that women gained social and political support through fashion, art and media. Participants will analyze primary sources, participate in discussions, and engage in creative activities to explore how individual acts of personal expression inspired a political movement.

Teachers will…
• Tour the U.S. Capitol while discussing the role of Congress in passing the 19th Amendment.
• Explore ways that suffragists transformed clothing, cartoons, songs and film to support their cause.
• Create their own suffrage-inspired banners, buttons and songs.
• Visit local exhibits on the suffrage movement.

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