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## Fact Sheet 2023

MWHC is a nonprofit, statewide organization that works to ensure that the stories and accomplishments of Maryland's women, past and present, are celebrated and included in history. Our programs celebrate all women and their sometimes-overlooked accomplishments. We honor diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.

We are a 501(c) (3) nonprofit, non-partisan organization, incorporated in the State of Maryland since 2004.

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Board of Directors: <a href="https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/board-of-directors/">https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/board-of-directors/</a>

**Exhibit and meeting space:** 333 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, a historic building where the celebrated Woman's Industrial Exchange was once located. Open for scheduled events or by appointment. The exhibit space includes a web-based collection of biographies of every member of the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame.

Portable exhibits on topics such as *Maryland Valiant Women: The Fight for Suffrage*, *Images; Expressions: Maryland Women in the Arts and Maryland Women in STEM* are available to borrow or rent. They form an informative backdrop to meetings, speeches and events. Contact the Executive Director to make arrangements.

**Artist Window Exhibits:** Every two months, we feature the work of female Maryland artists by inviting them to exhibit their work in our display window at 333 N. Charles Street. People who walk or drive by see regularly changing shows that contain work of women who create in sculpture, acrylics, oils, fiber, photos and more. We hold free receptions, open to all, to welcome each artist.

**How funded:** We operate with support from donations, grants and foundations.

**Board and volunteers available for interviews:** MWHC board members and volunteers have wide ranges of women's history knowledge and are recognized on a state and national level. This year, they lent that expertise to institutions that included the Edgar Allan Poe House/Poe Baltimore, Renaissance Institute at Notre Dame of Maryland University and Maryland Public Television.

Contact the Executive Director regarding interviews with specialists in such areas as women's history, the MWHC home at the historic Woman's Industrial Exchange, suffragists in Maryland, our women in the arts exhibits and receptions, women in STEM and other topics that highlight under-told stories about Maryland's women.

## Recent and future programs

 Victorine Q. Adams: Baltimore Civil Rights Leader; Women Firefighters in Maryland (produced with Fire Museum of Maryland); Kalin's Chronicles: Musings of CNN's First Black Travel Reporter; Virginia Poe Bicentennial Celebration (in collaboration with Edgar Allan Poe House; Fascinating Women Buried in Baltimore's Historic Cemeteries; Unfinished Business: The ERA as of 2022

Calendar <a href="https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/events-list/">https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/events-list/</a>:

- We coordinated installation and unveiling of historical markers that commemorate forgotten women suffragists in ten Maryland locations.
   <a href="https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/marylands-suffragists-now-unforgotten-thanks-to-historical-markers-around-the-state/">https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/marylands-suffragists-now-unforgotten-thanks-to-historical-markers-around-the-state/</a>
- Memories of the Woman's Industrial Exchange: A two-year project to catalog artifacts that
  remain in the building, collect oral histories from people who loved this Baltimore locale and
  permanently preserve it all to share with Baltimoreans and visitors. The project is possible with
  grant funds from the <u>Baltimore National Heritage Area</u>.
  https://mdwomensheritagecenter.org/memories-of-the-womans-industrial-exchange/