

# Education Materials on Women's History

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The Georgia Historical Society offers educational materials for teachers to use as resources in the classroom. Explore this document to find highlighted materials on the GHS website. The lists organize GHS educational materials about women in American and Georgia history by programs and exhibits.

## Featured Historical Figures

Explore the stories of individual women from Georgia's past who have had a significant impact on our state's history. Read about their life and legacy, investigate primary sources from the GHS collection, and discover resources for deeper study. Click on the links below to learn more and find teacher guides for many of the figures.

[Featured Historical Figure: Mary Musgrove](#)

[Featured Historical Figure: Abigail Minis](#)

[Featured Historical Figure: Mother Mathilda Beasley](#)

[Featured Historical Figure: Mary Telfair](#)

[Featured Historical Figure: Alice Woodby McKane](#)

[Featured Historical Figures: Juliette Gordon Low](#)

[Featured Historical Figure: Flannery O'Connor](#)

## Online Exhibits

*Three Centuries of Georgia History*

*Three Centuries of Georgia History* is an educational online exhibit that includes documents, photographs, and other artifacts from the collections of the Georgia Historical Society. The exhibit examines the last three centuries of Georgia history from its Colonial roots, to the height of the Plantation Era, through the sweeping changes of the Progressive Era. Teachers can [download a PDF teacher guide](#) on using the exhibit materials in the classroom. Click the links below to see women who were highlighted in this exhibit.

Abigail Minis: [Three Centuries of Georgia History \(Eighteenth Century, Georgia and the American Revolution\)](#)

Eleanor "Nelly" Lytle Kinzie: [Three Centuries of Georgia History \(Nineteenth Century, Struggles of the Late nineteenth Century\)](#)

Women's Suffrage Movement; Girl Scouts USA; Juliette Gordon Low; Ethel Hyer: [Three Centuries of Georgia History \(Twentieth Century, Social Movements of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century\)](#)

Sarah Alexander Cunningham; Women & WWII: [Three Centuries of Georgia History \(Twentieth Century, Global Conflict\)](#)

Margaret Mitchell: [Three Centuries of Georgia History \(Twentieth Century, Georgia in the 1930s\)](#)

### *Encounter and Exchange*

*Encounter and Exchange* is an examination of some of Georgia's historical meetings between various individuals and groups of people, including women, and the exchange of ideas that followed. Sometimes these encounters were forced and bloody, others were cooperative and peaceful. Regardless of the circumstances, Georgia's historical encounters gave rise to the rich cultural and ethnic diversity of the present-day state.

The exhibit concentrates on three themes - colonial settlement of North America, the first two hundred years of slavery in North America, and human interaction with the environment - and the aim of the exhibit is to apply these themes to Georgia's history. Teachers can [download a PDF teacher guide](#) with tips on using the materials in the classroom.

Mary Musgrove: [Encounter and Exchange \(Early Georgia Encounters, Encounter and Exchange in a New Colony\)](#)

### **Primary Source Sets**

Created by the Georgia Historical Society, the primary source sets are designed to help promote historical inquiry in the classroom by providing access to primary sources aligned to the Eighth Grade Georgia Standards of Excellence for Social Studies. Teacher guides for each set include important historical background and context for each primary source along with suggested secondary sources and links to additional online materials related to the topic. Explore the links below to see primary documents relative to women in Georgia history.

Abigail Minis: [Primary Source Sets For Georgia History \(Set 03: Georgia in the American Revolutionary Era\)](#)

Mother Mathilda Beasley: [Primary Source Sets for Georgia History \(06: Impact of Reconstruction on Georgia\)](#)

Ida B. Wells-Barnett and her literature, “Lynch Law in Georgia”: [Primary Source Sets for Georgia History \(07: Political, Social, and Economic Changes in Georgia During the New South Era\)](#)

Union Bag and Paper Company Photographs; Women in the Workforce: [Primary Source Sets for Georgia History \(Set 09: Georgia’s Role in WWII\)](#)

Ethel Hyer Papers: [Primary Source Sets for Georgia History \(Set 11: Georgia’s Role in the Modern Civil Rights Movement\)](#)

## **Sophia’s Schoolhouse**

Sophia’s Schoolhouse explores GHS’s vast collection to uncover fascinating stories from our past. Click the links below to watch videos and see tips on teaching women’s history through archival materials.

Abigail Minis: [Sophia’s Schoolhouse: Episode 50](#)

Juliette Gordon Low: [Sophia’s Schoolhouse: Episode 001](#) , [Sophia’s Schoolhouse: Episode 002](#).

Lois Dozier Norvell: [Sophia’s Schoolhouse: Episode 40 \(Primary Source Spotlight: Victory Mail In The Lois Dozier Norvell Papers\)](#)

## **Today in Georgia History**

Today in Georgia History is an exciting, award-winning educational project that focuses on an historical event or person associated with a particular day in Georgia history. These short segments aired daily on GPB television and radio stations across the state from 2011-2013, and are now archived and available on a website site. The website maintains audio and video streaming of the segments, as well as transcripts, and includes tips for teachers, curriculum, writing prompts, review questions and discussion topics, classroom exercises, follow-up research topics and selected primary-source material. Explore the links below to find highlighted women in Georgia history and related teacher materials.

Fanny Kemble: [Today in Georgia History \(November 27\)](#)

Mary Telfair: [Today in Georgia History \(January 28\)](#)

Nellie Peters: [Today in Georgia History \(August 4\)](#)

Wesleyan College: [Today in Georgia History \(December 23\)](#)

Eliza Frances Andrews: [Today in Georgia History \(January 21\)](#)

Martha Berry: [Today in Georgia History \(October 7\)](#)

Lucy Craft Laney: [Today in Georgia History \(April 13\)](#)

Juliette Gordon Low: [Today in Georgia History \(October 31\)](#)

Agnes Scott College: [Today in Georgia History \(September 24\)](#)

Henrietta Dozier: [Today in Georgia History \(April 22\)](#)

Mary Latimer McLendon: [Today in Georgia History \(June 24\)](#)

Georgia Women Gain Vote: [Today in Georgia History \(August 13\)](#)

Viola Ross Napier and Bessie Kempton Crowell: [Today in Georgia History \(September 13\)](#)

Rebecca Latimer Felton: [Today in Georgia History \(November 21\)](#)

Helen Douglas Mankin: [Today in Georgia History \(September 11\)](#)

Lucy May Stanton: [Today in Georgia History \(May 22\)](#)

Caroline Miller: [Today in Georgia History \(August 26\)](#)

World War II and Georgia: [Today in Georgia History \(December 31\)](#)

Celestine Sibley: [Today in Georgia History \(May 23\)](#)

Louise Suggs: [Today in Georgia History \(September 7\)](#)

Lillian Smith: [Today in Georgia History \(December 12\)](#)

Butterfly McQueen: [Today in Georgia History \(January 8\)](#)

Joanne Woodward: [Today in Georgia History \(February 27\)](#)

Flannery O'Connor: [Today in Georgia History \(March 25\)](#)

Brenda Lee: [Today in Georgia History \(December 11\)](#)

Grace Towns Hamilton: [Today in Georgia History \(June 17\)](#)

Wyomia Tyus: [Today in Georgia History \(August 29\)](#)

Coretta Scott King: [Today in Georgia History \(April 27\)](#)

Bernice Johnson Reagon: [Today in Georgia History \(October 4\)](#)

Olive Ann Burns: [Today in Georgia History \(July 17\)](#)

Alice Walker: [Today in Georgia History \(February 9\)](#)

Cynthia McKinney: [Today in Georgia History \(November 3\)](#)

Cheryl Haworth: [Today in Georgia History \(April 18\)](#)

Leila Denmark: [Today in Georgia History \(February 1\)](#)

Leah Ward Sears: [Today in Georgia History \(March 2\)](#)

### **Business History Initiative**

Each year the Georgia Historical Society selects iconic companies in our state to be honored through the Georgia Business History Initiative. By showcasing these companies, GHS seeks to teach Georgia students, citizens, and tourists alike about the pivotal role of Georgia's leading businesses in the economic, cultural and social development of Georgia and the United States. Each company listed below has a downloadable PDF with historical information and more to help teachers and students understand the historical and economic impact of Georgia's businesses.

Helen Dortch Longstreet: [Business History Initiative: Georgia Power](#)