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# NAPER SETTLEMENT

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**Naper Settlement presents virtual lecture series and documentary focusing on women's suffrage and voting rights**

**NAPERVILLE, IL** — To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment's passage in 2020, Naper Settlement will present Women's Vote 100, a three-part virtual lecture series on women's suffrage and voting rights in partnership with Lewis University. This free virtual series will take place on the Tuesdays prior to the November 2020 election and include:

**Women's Vote 100:**

**Casting a Historic Vote: Suffrage in Illinois**

Tuesday, October 13, 6-8PM

*Free virtual lecture on Zoom*

Despite what people today believe to be a straightforward goal of women's voting enfranchisement, the path to women's suffrage was infused with struggles of equality and equity that created obstacles to universal suffrage. Jeanne Schultz Angel, Director of Learning Experiences and Historical Resources at Naper Settlement, will lead this thought-provoking lecture.

[Register](#)

**Women's Vote 100:**

**Alice Paul and the Suffrage Movement's Use of Nonviolent Strategies**

Tuesday, October 20, 6-8PM

*Free virtual lecture on Zoom*

Dr. Laurette Liesen, Chair of Political Science and Professor at Lewis University, will present on Alice Paul, a Quaker and a political scientist who worked tirelessly for women's right to vote.

[Register](#)

**Women's Vote 100:**

**Bridging Voting Rights: Amelia Boynton Robinson to John Lewis, and Beyond**

Tuesday, October 27, 6-8PM

*Free virtual lecture on Zoom*

Learn about voting rights from Dr. Dennis H. Cremin, Chair of the History Department and Director of the Lewis University History Center, Donna K. Sack, Vice President & Chief Program Officer at Naper Settlement, and Dr. Tara Y. White, Department Chair and History Instructor at Wallace Community College in Selma, Alabama.

[Register](#)

In addition to the Women's Vote 100 virtual lecture series, Naper Settlement will present a virtual screening of All Citizens, a documentary by the Lombard Historical Society and Tim Frakes Productions, Inc.:

### **History Speaks:**

#### **All Citizens**

*Virtual documentary screening on Zoom*

*\$5 per person, free for Naper Settlement members*

Sunday, October 18, 4-5PM

View a reenactment of the day that Lombard women made history and voted on April 6, 1891. Ellen Martin, a Chicago Lawyer and Lombard resident, played a pivotal role in the women's suffrage movement. On April 6, 1891, 29 years before the 19th Amendment would be ratified in 1920, Martin led a group of 14 of the most prominent Lombard women to vote in a town election, thereby becoming the first women to vote in Illinois.

[Purchase Tickets](#)

For more information on Naper Settlement's Women's Vote 100 virtual lecture series and virtual documentary screening of All Citizens, visit [www.NaperSettlement.org](http://www.NaperSettlement.org).

### **About Naper Settlement**

Naper Settlement is a nationally accredited, award-winning outdoor living history museum set on 13 magnificent acres in the heart of Naperville. Located 30 miles from Chicago, the museum is home to thirty historical structures dating back as early as the 1830s. Featuring exhibits, special events, educational programming and more, Naper Settlement is where history comes alive and the community comes to connect. For more information, visit [www.napersettlement.org](http://www.napersettlement.org) or call (630) 420-6010.

### **About HERstory**

Naper Settlement is on a mission to tell her story as it happens, while sharing the often-overlooked contributions women have made throughout history. Throughout 2020, in conjunction with the centennial anniversary of the 19th Amendment's passage, the museum will highlight 100 women and girls in the community. This year-long celebration will be woven into Naper Settlement's programs, events, exhibits, and more.

### **About Lewis University**

Lewis University is an innovative and forward-thinking Catholic university offering market-relevant undergraduate and graduate programs to 6,300 students. Sponsored by the De La Salle Christian Brothers, Lewis University is nationally recognized for preparing intellectually engaged, ethically grounded, globally connected and socially responsible graduates. Visit [www.lewisu.edu](http://www.lewisu.edu) for further information.