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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER CELEBRATES WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Admission is discounted through March 31 with the Center's Winter Warm Up sale

Philadelphia, PA (March 1, 2016) – The National Constitution Center will honor the women who shaped United States' history with special programming all month long. Family-friendly programs and activities range from exploring key moments in history to decoding modern pop sensations in an effort to highlight defining moments in women's history. Daily programs include the Center's **Giant Game Board Activity**, a **Self-Guided Tour**, and **Decoding the Lyrics**.

In conjunction with the National Constitution Center's newest feature exhibit *Headed to the White House*, during Women's History Month the Center will also highlight the nation's First Ladies. Particular attention will be paid to First Ladies and women in executive offices who played roles in shaping the administrations of various presidents, including Martha Washington, Dolley Madison, Sarah Polk, Edith Wilson, Frances Perkins, Eleanor Roosevelt, Ladybird Johnson, Madeline Albright, and more.

Special Events

Girl Scout Day

March 12, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Scouts: \$14, Adults: \$12, one free Scout leader for every 10 Scouts. Reservations Recommended: 215-409-6800 or groupsales@constitutioncenter.org

*Fee includes all programs plus admission to the Museum. Lunch is not included. In honor of Women's History Month, and the birthday of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. on March 12, the Center will host a small celebration on Girl Scout Day this year, featuring special guest speakers, sweet treats, music, and an appearance by a Juliette Gordon Low portrayer.

In addition to the birthday celebration, the Center will offer all standard Girl Scout Day programs including guided tours, interactive quiz games, outdoor flag ceremonies, hands-on artifact workshops, activity tables, and more. Scouts can earn their Citizen Legacy Badge as they learn more about America's history, explore revolutionary system of government, and discover what it means to be an active citizen. Plus, Girl Scouts can get a head start on their First Aid Legacy Badge by meeting police officers, firefighters, and other first responders. The Center also offers select Journey programs.

Groups are given personalized agendas and Scout Day activity packets that will guide them through the day's programs and activities. Scouts will also receive a National Constitution Center Scout Day Fun Patch.

For more information, including a list of requirements offered, visit constitutioncenter.org/scouts

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Daily Programs

Decoding the Lyrics: "Bad Romance: Women's Suffrage"

History gets a hip twist in this interactive show. Watch Soomo Publishing's historical, hysterical take on Lady Gaga's "Bad Romance" music video—redone to tell the story of the women's suffrage movement. Then take a closer look at the lyrics and references in the video to learn more about the passage of the 19th Amendment.

Women's History Self-Guided Tour

Available during regular museum hours

Pick up a flier at the Information Desk to take a self-guided museum tour highlighting important moments in women's history, featuring:

- Justice Sandra Day O'Connor's Supreme Court robe
- Equal Rights Amendment button from the 1970s
- Letter written by Susan B. Anthony and Ida B. Wells
- Artifacts from the women's suffrage movement
- The American National Tree, featuring groundbreaking women such as Alice Paul, Betty Ford, and Dr. Mary E. Walker (the only American woman to be awarded the Medal of Honor)

Giant Game Board

At the Giant Game Board activity visitors can test their knowledge of women's history.

About the National Constitution Center

The <u>National Constitution Center</u> in Philadelphia inspires active citizenship as the only place where people across America and around the world can come together to learn about, debate, and celebrate the greatest vision of human freedom in history, the U.S. Constitution. A private, nonprofit organization, the Center serves as America's leading platform for constitutional education and debate, fulfilling its Congressional charter "to disseminate information about the U.S. Constitution on a non-partisan basis." As the **Museum of We the People**, the Center brings the Constitution to life for visitors of all ages through interactive programs and exhibits. As **America's Town Hall**, the Center brings the leading conservative and liberal thought leaders together to debate the Constitution on all media platforms. As a center for **Civic Education**, the Center delivers the best educational programs and online resources that inspire, excite, and engage citizens about the U.S. Constitution. For more information, call 215-409-6700 or visit constitutioncenter.org.

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