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## INSIGHTS ON EQUALITY FOR WOMEN

# 2018 Was a Big Year for Vision 2020



The holiday season reminds us to pause and reflect on the accomplishments of the past 12 months, and to look ahead with anticipation to exciting times to come.

From announcing our plans and partnerships for *Women* 100 to growing our national coalition, and hosting sold-out programs that saw record participation, Vision 2020 has had quite a year.

Here are some of my favorite Vision 2020 moments from 2018.

Vision 2020 News

How They Won the Vote: A Discussion About Women's Suffrage at the National Constitution Center



Lana Ulrich, Dawn Langan Teele and Elaine Weiss discuss the suffrage movement at the National Constitution Center.

On December 5 at the National Constitution Center, Vision 2020 co-sponsored "The Suffrage Movement: Revisiting the Final Campaign," a sold-out program about the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Dawn Langan Teele, author of Forging the Franchise: The Political Origins of the Women's Vote, and Elaine Weiss, author of The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote, spoke about women's long journey to suffrage and the important political ideas behind the movement, as well as other social justice movements happening simultaneously in America at that time.

Watch a recording of the discussion.

Barnes Foundation Becomes a Women 100 Proud Partner





Left: Joanne Murray, Karen Ernst and Lynn Yeakel of Vision 2020, with Lynn's daughter-in-law Pilar Yeakel and museum docent Paulette Rackow, take a private tour of the Barnes Foundation's current exhibition, "Berthe Morisot: Woman Impressionist."

Right: Vision 2020's Joyce Lewandowski and Kathleen McFadden attend the opening of the Morisot exhibition with the Barnes' Jo Tiongson-Perez (center), who serves on the Vision 2020 Communications Committee.

We are pleased to announce that the Barnes Foundation has teamed up with Vision 2020 as a *Women 100* Proud Partner.

Proud Partners of Vision 2020's *Women 100* are organizations and institutions that support women's equality and are planning complementary programming promoting women in 2020, when we mark the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote.

The Barnes Foundation is already doing great work in telling the stories of women trailblazers. Its current exhibition, <u>Berthe Morisot: Woman Impressionist</u>, which is there through January 14, takes visitors on the exceptional journey of a woman artist who defied the social norms of her time to join the Parisian avant-garde. This exhibition is a must-see!

Check out Vision 2020's growing list of Women 100 Proud Partners, and fill out an application to join us.

# **Calling All Volunteers!**

Are you passionate about women's equality and looking for ways to get involved in the cause? Vision 2020 invites volunteers to contribute their time and talent to assist with its ambitious agenda in commemorating the centennial of American women's right to vote in the year 2020.

<u>Fill out our volunteer application</u> if you are interested in getting involved or in helping organize fellow volunteers.

# **Vision 2020's President Receives Integrity Award**

Vision 2020 Founder and President Lynn Yeakel was honored last month by the Philadelphia chapter of the Public Relations Society of America.

At the organization's 50th annual Pepperpot Awards, Lynn received the 2018 PRSA Philadelphia Integrity Award for her career of advocacy for women's rights, her passion for shared leadership and her support of women's empowerment and independence.

Congratulations, Lynn!



# **Delegate & Ally News**

# Vision 2020 Welcomes New Delegate and Allied Organizations

We are pleased to announce the following additions to the Vision 2020 national coalition:

- Keyonna Douglas, a legislative analyst at the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, has joined Vision 2020 as a Delegate.
- The <u>Oregon Commission for</u>
  <u>Women</u> and <u>Girl Scouts of Central and</u>
  <u>Southern New Jersey</u> have joined Vision
  2020 as new Allied Organizations.

Interested in becoming a Delegate, or have someone in mind to nominate? Fill out our Delegate Application.



Keyonna Douglas is Vision 2020's newest Delegate.

Does your organization share an aligned mission with Vision 2020? Fill out our Allied Organization Application.

### What We're Reading

#### **Does 'Having It All' Mean Doing It All?**

"Women are shouldering nearly three times more of the work associated with the home than men -- child care, elder care, cooking, cleaning, transportation -- and usually for zero pay. This, despite the fact that more people than ever view men and women as equal in the workplace and in the home (it seems perception and the real world don't always match up)."

#### Working to Ensure the 'Year of the Woman' Is More Than Just One Year

"The previous Year of the Woman, in 1992, saw what was then a record number of female candidates for state and federal office and about a 50 percent increase of the number of women in Congress, many inspired to run by the treatment of Anita Hill before an all-male Senate judiciary panel. But the number of women running for

Congress dropped in the next election cycles, not rising above 1992 levels until 2010."

#### Young Women Have to Play Catch-Up in Retirement Savings

"Sixty-one percent of women would rather talk about their own death than money,' said Maddy Dychtwald, co-founder of Age Wave. 'And only 46 percent of millennial women say they are confident in investing.' That's a problem when you consider the future for many women. Women typically live longer than men -- 81 years versus 76 years -- according to statistics from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. By age 85, women outnumber men by 2 to 1 and a majority of centenarians are women, according to the Merrill Lynch/Age Wave study. This means that women are more likely to be on their own financially as they age."

#### Movies Starring Women Earn More Than Male-Led Films

"The perception that it's not good business to have female leads is not true,' said Christy Haubegger, a C.A.A. agent who was part of the research team. 'They're a marketing asset.'"

#### What Mattered to Women in the 2018 Midterms

What drove women to the polls last month? According to a survey by the Women & Politics Institute at American University's School of Public Affairs: "When looking at individual issues, Republican women cited immigration and the economy as their top two motivators, more important to them than showing support for President Trump. While among Democratic women, health care and opposition to President Trump were the most significant motivators."

# <u>Women Who Rule the World: The 22 Most Powerful Political and Policy Leaders</u> 2018

"The number of women in politics and policy has always been relatively small, but even so their power now feels more tenuous than ever."

# **Empowering Photo of the Month**



The 2018 midterms produced what will be the most diverse Congress in American history, with a record number of women and people of color winning their elections. These 2019 Congressional freshman class photos show how different the House is going to look.





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