

**MARCH**

# Story Center Hours

**Monday: 10-2**

**Tuesday: 10-2**

**Wednesday: 10-4**

**Thursday: 10-4**

**Friday: 10-4**

**Saturday: 10-4**

**Sunday: 10-4**

Join us for Story Time at 11:00 and Craft Time at 11:30 Thursday- Sunday

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## Story Center Schedule

**March 2-8: Once Upon A Book Week\***

\*see schedule for details

**March 9-15: Julia Donaldson & Meena Harris**

**Books: Tabby McTat & Ambitious Girl**

**Craft: Spoon Witches**

**March 16-22: Andrea Beaty & Emily Winfield-Martin**

**Books: Ada Twist, Scientist & Little Family's Big Day**

**Craft: Calm Down Jars \*science meets art!**

**March 23-28: Shantala Robinson & Kelly DiPucchio**

**Books: The Last Two Crayons & Oona**

**Craft: Glitter wands & Crowns**

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## Women's History Month Facts

### When is it?

- Women's History Month is celebrated every year in March.

### What is it?

- A month to learn about women who helped shape history and the world.

### How did it start?

- It began as Women's History Week in 1978.
- In 1987, it became Women's History Month in the United States.

### Why is it important?

- Many women's stories were left out of history books.
- This month helps make sure everyone's contributions are remembered.

### Women Make History Every Day

- You don't have to be famous to make a difference.
- Women and girls make history by helping others, sharing ideas, and standing up for what's right.

### Remember:

- Everyone deserves a chance to learn, lead, and dream big.

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## A Few Amazing Women in History:

- **Hypatia of Alexandria** – First well-documented woman mathematician and scientist (c. 400 CE)
- **Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz** – First woman scholar and published writer in the Americas (1600s)
- **Jeanne Baret** – First woman to sail around the world (1766–1769)
- **Ada Lovelace** – First woman recognized as a computer programmer (1843)
- **Elizabeth Blackwell** – First woman to earn a modern medical degree (1849)
- **Louisa May Alcott** – First woman in the U.S. to achieve major literary fame (1868)
- **Alice Guy-Blaché** – First woman filmmaker and first woman to run a movie studio (1896–1907)
- **Charlotte Cooper** – First woman Olympic gold medalist (1900)
- **Marie Curie** – First woman to win a Nobel Prize (1903); first person to win two Nobel Prizes (1903 & 1911)
- **Emmeline Pankhurst** – First woman to lead a global women's suffrage movement (1900s)
- **Jeannette Rankin** – First woman elected to national government in the U.S. (1916)
- **Bessie Smith** – First woman blues singer to achieve national fame (1920s)
- **Martha Graham** – First woman to redefine modern dance on a global scale (1920s)
- **Nadia Boulanger** – First woman to conduct major orchestras internationally (1930s)
- **Amelia Earhart** – First woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean (1932)
- **Sirimavo Bandaranaike** – First woman prime minister in the world (1960)
- **Valentina Tereshkova** – First woman in space (1963)
- **Jane Goodall** – First woman to study wild chimpanzees and change animal research (1960s)
- **Margaret Hamilton** – First woman to lead a software team that sent astronauts to the moon (1960s)
- **Chita Rivera** – First woman to perform leading roles in Broadway musicals (1950s–1960s)
- **Rosalind Franklin** – First woman to provide X-ray evidence of DNA's structure (1952)
- **Kathrine Switzer** – First woman to officially run the Boston Marathon (1967)
- **Barbara Streisand** – First woman to win an Academy Award for directing and performing success (1968)
- **Junko Tabei** – First woman to climb Mount Everest (1975)
- **Maya Lin** – First woman to design a major U.S. national monument (1981)
- **Sally Ride** – First American woman in space (1983)
- **Eileen Collins** – First woman to pilot and command a NASA space shuttle (1995–1999)
- **Kamala Harris** – First woman Vice President of the United States (2021)

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## Recommended Reading

**1. The Paper Bag Princess** — by Robert Munsch & Michael Martchenko

A clever princess who saves herself, showing courage and wit.

**2. Amazing Grace** — by Mary Hoffman & Caroline Binch

Grace proves she can be anything she dreams of, from princess to explorer.

**3. Not All Princesses Dress in Pink** — by Jane Yolen & Heidi E.Y. Stemple

Celebrates girls who are adventurous, active, and break stereotypes.

**4. Extraordinary Jane** — by Hannah E. Harrison

A story about a girl embracing her uniqueness and creativity.

**5. Danbi Leads the School Parade** — by Anna Kim

A girl finds courage on her first day at a new school.

**6. Ruby's Wish** — by Shirin Yim Bridges & Sophie Blackall

A girl pursues her education and dreams despite obstacles.

**7. Rosie Revere, Engineer** — by Andrea Beaty & David Roberts

A clever, inventive girl who learns that failure is just part of success.

**8. I Am Enough** — by Grace Byers & Keturah A. Bobo

Celebrates self-love, confidence, and individuality in girls.

**9. The Most Magnificent Thing** — by Ashley Spires

A girl learns creativity and persistence, showing that mistakes are part of learning.

**10. Dream Big, Little One** — by Vashti Harrison

Encouraging illustrations of girls dreaming big and imagining their future roles.