



## Greetings from the AAPB!

Every new month is a fresh opportunity to reflect on the past, celebrate progress, and advocate for the future. This March, we honored Women's History Month and International Women's Day by recognizing the trailblazing women who have shaped history, culture, and society.

Explore our [collection of women's history programs](#) in the archive to begin your learning journey, and dive deeper into women's role in public media history with [this blog post](#) from GBH Archives Media Historian and Curator, Michelle Kelley.

## New & Notable



### The Woman Special Collection

Iconic women, insightful conversations, diverse perspectives, and hard-hitting discussions- what more could you ask for? *Woman* was a half-hour public affairs talk show that aired from 1972 to 1977, produced by WNED in Buffalo, New York. Each episode covers a different topic, such as women in sports, the Equal Rights Amendment, sexuality, marriage, and women's health, with special guest discussants.

Notable guest stars include [Gloria Steinem](#), [Dorothy Pittman Hughes](#), [Betty Friedan](#), [Florynce Kennedy](#), and [Margaret Sloan](#). This program remains a significant part of the historical record of women's struggles, victories, and ongoing challenges in shaping society.

### Feminism, Anti-Feminism, and Social Activism from the 1960s to the 1980s Primary Source Set

Looking to bring feminism and women's rights history into the classroom? This primary source set explores the evolution of feminist and anti-feminist movements from the 1960s onward. Students will discover how women emerged politically and advocated for legislation, while debates over the role of women, government influence on rights, and inclusivity culminated in the fight for the Equal Rights Amendment.

Resources include discussion questions, recommended classroom activities, and eight curated clips from the archive to guide students' exploration.

## Dig Deeper: Women's History in the Archive

### March 4, 1933

Frances Perkins became the first woman to serve in a U.S. presidential cabinet as Secretary of Labor. Listen to her speech at the Triangle Shirtwaist Company Fire 50th Anniversary event, where she reflected on the labor protections enacted to protect workers.

[Listen](#)

### March 8

International Women's Day celebrates women's achievements and advocates for gender equality. In this 1962 episode of *Prospects of Mankind*, Eleanor Roosevelt brings together women's affairs professionals to discuss the status of women.

[Watch](#)

### March 12, 1993

Janet Reno made history as the first female U.S. Attorney General, later becoming the longest-serving attorney general of the 20th century. Watch segments from Reno's confirmation hearing in this episode of *NewsHour*.

[Watch](#)

### March 15, 1933

Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the second female U.S. Supreme Court Justice, was born. A lifelong champion for gender equality, the Notorious RBG sat down with Bill Moyers to reflect on her career and lifelong fight against discrimination.

[Watch](#)

### March 22, 1972

The Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) passed in the Senate and House of Representatives and was sent for ratification. Four years later, *Say Brother* explored what the ERA would mean for minority women.

[Watch](#)

### March 25, 1934

Gloria Steinem, journalist, activist, and leading feminist voice, was born. Listen as she reflects on her life, work, and the feminist movement in this 1974 episode of *Woman*.

<div>Watch</div> <div>March 26, 1930</div> <div>Sandra Day O’Connor, the first female U.S. Supreme Court Justice, was born. In 1987, she joined Bill Moyers for her first televised interview, reflecting on the challenges of breaking into the male-dominated field.</div>	<div>March 27, 1928</div> <div>Poet and civil rights activist Maya Angelou was born. In this iconic 1975 episode of <i>Assignment America: Conversation with a Native Son</i>, Angelou and James Baldwin discuss Black identity in America.</div> <div>Watch</div>
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## In the Industry

### Protect Public Media Day



On March 6, the AAPB joined [Protect My Public Media Day](#), a national day of action calling on Congress to protect and sustain public media funding. Public broadcasting has long been a vital source of education, storytelling, and community connection. At the AAPB, we are committed to preserving decades of public media, ensuring these voices, stories, and experiences remain accessible for generations.

Public media matters. Our collective history matters. Join us in raising awareness of its impact and the millions it has educated, inspired, and united. [Learn how to get involved here](#).

P.S. Check out this [1969 testimony before Congress where Mister Rogers made a compelling case](#) for public broadcasting’s role in children’s education. His words helped secure crucial funding then, and his message remains just as powerful today.

### New Podcast from the HBCU Radio Preservation Project



Our partners at the HBCU Radio Preservation Project have been hard at work exploring and connecting with HBCU radio stations across the country through archival recordings, oral histories, and visits to historic campuses. Now, listeners have a chance to hear firsthand how these stations serve as vital communication hubs, launching pads for Black voices, and catalysts for social change. [Listen to the trailer for \*Broadcasting History: The HBCU Radio Legacy\*](#).

## In Case You Missed It

- [Celebrating Women's History Month](#) - GBH
- [The Moving Image: A Look Ahead](#) - MIT Museum

## #FoundintheAAPB



"My name is Andy Wilson, and I am the son of Dan Wilson, the fired reporter that is featured in [this story from The Wisconsin Magazine 1425](#).

Unfortunately, we lost dad in October of 2023 due to a very short and unexpected battle with cancer, and I have no childhood videos with him (nor does my sister). We both had short cameos in this segment. I have completely forgotten what I looked like with hair! (I was the little redheaded boy).

I came across this video after doing some research into the great advocacy work my dad has done in his career. My memories of this story have been my inspiration for my own career in nonprofit advocacy, and now in corporate philanthropy and ethical marketing. However, the one thing I kept coming back to was the fact that this video is the only video that exists of him with my sister and I as children (we of course just didn’t have access to video technology back then).

For me, this truly reinforces the importance of preserving great journalism; it not only captures pivotal moments in history but also helps future generations reconnect with personal memories and significant stories that continue to inspire.

Thank you again for the meaningful work you're doing."

- Andy Wilson

Tag us on social with the hashtag #FoundintheAAPB or email us with a note about what the program you found means to you for a chance to be featured in the next edition of the newsletter!

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Ideas for future AAPB collections or exhibits? Questions about how to digitize your station’s items with the AAPB? Recommendations for the next edition of the newsletter?

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The [American Archive of Public Broadcasting](#), a collaboration between the Library of Congress and GBH, coordinates a national effort to digitally preserve and make accessible significant historical content created by public media over the past seven decades.



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