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Present

***Votes for Women: Massachusetts in the  
Woman Suffrage Movement***  
with author **Barbara Berenson**

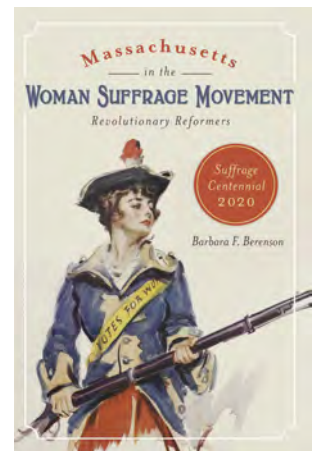
Sunday, March 15, 2020

2:00 p.m.

Needham Public Library  
1139 Highland Avenue, Needham

Barbara Berenson's presentation begins with **Lucy Stone** and other local abolitionists who were among the first who opposed women's exclusion from political life. They demanded the vote and other reforms and launched the organized women's movement at the **first National Woman's Rights Convention, held in Worcester in 1850**.

After the Civil War, the Boston-based American Woman Suffrage Association led campaigns across the country. Their work laid the foundation for the next generation of suffragists to triumph over tradition. Berenson will give Massachusetts suffragists the attention they deserve.



**Guest Speaker: Author Barbara Berenson**



Barbara Berenson is also the author of *Boston in the Civil War: Hub of the Second Revolution* (2014), and *Walking Tours of Civil War Boston: Hub of Abolitionism* (2011, 2d ed. 2014). Barbara earned her undergraduate degree from Harvard College and her law degree from Harvard Law School. She worked as a Senior Attorney at the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court until June 2019.  
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