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Palo Alto College celebrates women with month-long event series

Alamo Colleges District-Palo Alto College will celebrate Women's History Month from March 2 to March 31 to recognize and honor the achievements, contributions, and importance of women in our community.

Women's History Month at Palo Alto College kicks off with two events the first week of March, including a Suffrage March celebrating women's right to vote on Tuesday, March 3 – commemorating the anniversary of the first women's march on Washington in 1913. The event will begin at 2 p.m. in the College's Central Courtyard and will proceed through campus to the Ozuna Library and Learning Center – a 2020 Texas Primary Election polling place – where registered voters will be encouraged to exercise their right to vote.

Palo Alto College will celebrate Women's History Month throughout the month with the following events:

- Monday, March 2: ***Nuestra Gente: A Tribute to Hispanic Innovators and Dreams***, a photo exhibit of historical Hispanic figures, as curated by Bernandette Peña
- Tuesday, March 3: **Suffrage March** celebrating and exercising women's right to vote
- Wednesday, March 18: **Women in STEAM** event honoring the first U.S. female astronomer, Maria Mitchell, with a poetry reading and an astronomically inspired art activity
- Thursday, March 26: **Women in STEAM**: Panel discussion featuring guests speaking about the representation of women in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) industries
- Monday, March 30: **Health and Wellness Fair** featuring representatives from local health agencies, healthy food demonstrations, and on-site health services such as mammograms.
- Wednesday, March 4-Tuesday, March 31: Ozuna Library presents ***Changing the Face of Power: Women in the U.S. Senate***

All 2020 Women's History Month events are free and open to the public. These events are sponsored by several Palo Alto College programs including the Office of Student Life, the STEM Center, and the Student Activities Fee. A full list of events is available at alamo.edu/pac/WHM.

Palo Alto College, part of the Alamo Colleges District, is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and a recipient of the 2015 Texas Award for Performance Excellence, a finalist for the 2016 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, and a Rising Star winner of

the 2019 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. With over 10,000 students, Palo Alto College is accredited to offer associate degrees and short-term certificates. The College is located on the south side of San Antonio at 1400 W. Villaret Blvd. at I-410 and Texas Hwy 16 and online at alamo.edu/pac.

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