



TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

Women in the Navy

Naval History & Heritage Command description (edited): This traveling exhibit explores the rich history of women in the U.S. Navy. The first to serve were nurses, beginning with the "Sacred Twenty" appointed after Congress established the Navy Nurse Corps in 1908. A new wave came when President Franklin D. Roosevelt created the Navy's women reserve program in 1942, which paved the way for officer and enlisted women to enter the Navy. In 1974, the Navy designated the first woman as an aviator, and in 1994, the Navy issued the first orders for women to be assigned aboard a combatant ship. Today, women serve in every rank from seaman to admiral and in every job from naval aviator to deep-sea diver.

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CONTENT AND COMPONENTS

- (6) 34"x79" retractable banners
- (1) 19"x27" Council intro poster
- (1) Lightweight collapsible easel
- (1) Storage trunk

Total linear space needed: 18ft.

**Display order is marked on
banner containers**

The banners of this exhibit are pre-installed in retractable cases. Setup is simple and requires no tools.

The physical construction of each banner is similar to the generic banner immediately to the right, which shows the pole inserted in back to keep the banner unrolled and upright.

Each of the thumbnails at far right shows one of the six banners, which progress in a chronological narrative.



TRANSPORT

Do not attempt to transport the materials outside their included bags/cases.

The Council prefers that host organizations pick up exhibit materials from our offices in Charleston. However, additional options are available. Council staff travels the state frequently, and a hand-off closer to your location might be possible. If the exhibit must shipped, the Council will invoice your organization for the exact cost.

Contact the program officer at warmack@wvhumanities.org to discuss.

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