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- Books
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Emma Lampert Cooper in her Paris studio, ca. 1886, Emma Lampert Cooper papers, D.66, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester



# Building collections (of women)

- The Anthony family
- Past curators
- RBSCP's collection development policy
- Collection strengths
- Looking for gaps
- Working with dealers
- UR faculty & students
- Postcard, 1973, Margaret "Midge" Costanza papers, D.523, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester

At a convention held in the Unitation church in the City of Rochester on the 2nd of Jugust 1848 to consider the Rights of somen, Politically, Socially Mora by, Meligiously, and Industrially. called the meetings to order ands horted on behalf of the committee the following persons to serve the meeting as Officers. Abigail Bush President Laura Murray vice prest, Catharine of & Stabling Jarah Stallowell, and Mary Ho Ballowell, Secretaries Prayer by Het Michen. The minutes of the preluminary meeting were Sen read, and William & At read and orestable to the magastrace

Manuscript and typescript of the minutes taken at the Women's Rights Convention held in Rochester, NY on August 2, 1848, Phebe Post Willis papers, A.W73, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester

## What are suffrage collections?

Collections that focus on:

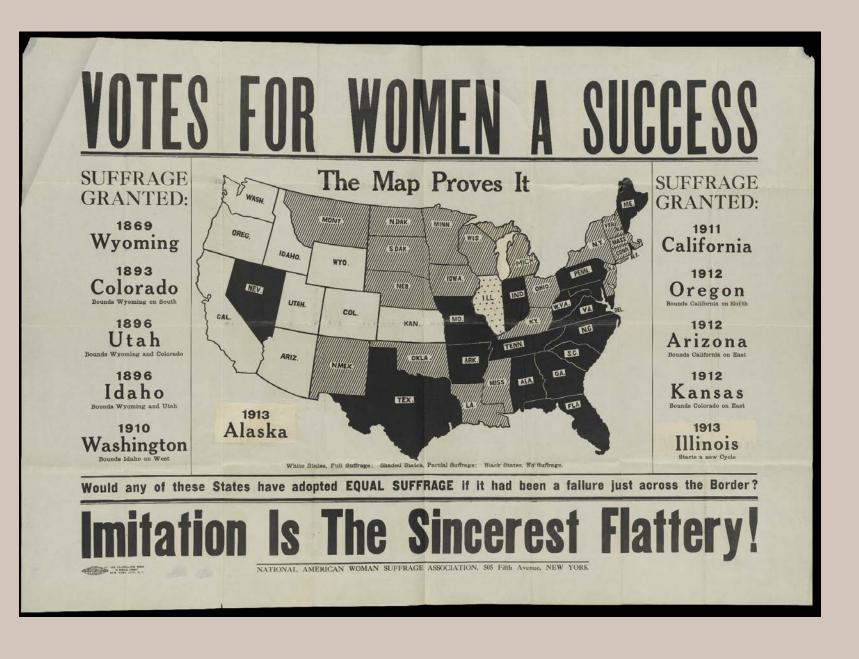
- Women's fight for the vote
- Women's rights more broadly
- The lives of suffrage activists



### Suffrage Collections

- Susan B. Anthony
- Emma BiddlecomSweet
- Isabella Beecher
   Hooker and John
   Hooker
- Isaac & Amy Post

Suffrage Flag, undated, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester



### **Suffrage Collections**

- Women's SuffrageCollection
- Unitarian Church of Rochester
- Women's Rights ephemera collection

Votes for Women a Success. The Map Proves It. National American Woman Suffrage Association, ca. 1913. Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester



## Published material

- Books by and about Susan B. Anthony
- Histories of the suffrage movement
- Children's books
- Other

"War Time/ New Janitors," Crapsey Clothing Company, Rochester, New York, ca. 1915, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester

### How to find women in the collections?

Library catalog: Subject headings

List of manuscript collections

Search the RBSCP website

Browse our digital exhibits and projects

When we re-open – dig into some boxes!

Ask an Archivist



Lucille Marx, 1931, Kodak Historical Collection #003, D.319, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester

## "Women don't get half as much rights as they ought to; we want more, and we will have it." Sojourner Truth, 1853



#### The Exhibit

- 19th Amendment
- ° University of Rochester
- The Arts
- o 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Activism and Non-Profits
- Philanthropy and Religion
- Education
- Women at Work
- Politics



Smash Patriarchy Poster, ca. 1970's, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester

#### The Exhibit

- Susan B. Anthony
- Midge Costanza
- ° Ruth Scott
- Louise Slaughter
- What Shall I Be?
- A Single Item Tells a Story
- o Vindication of the Rights of Women

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Susan B. Anthony to Anson Bingham, June 20, 1855, Susan Brownell Anthony papers, A.A62, Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation, River Campus Libraries, University of Rochester



#### The Exhibit

Detail of mural by Rochester artist Brittany Williams. Acrylic on paper. 2020. Commissioned as part of the exhibit and to be added to RBSCP's collections.

### THANK YOU!

Any Questions?