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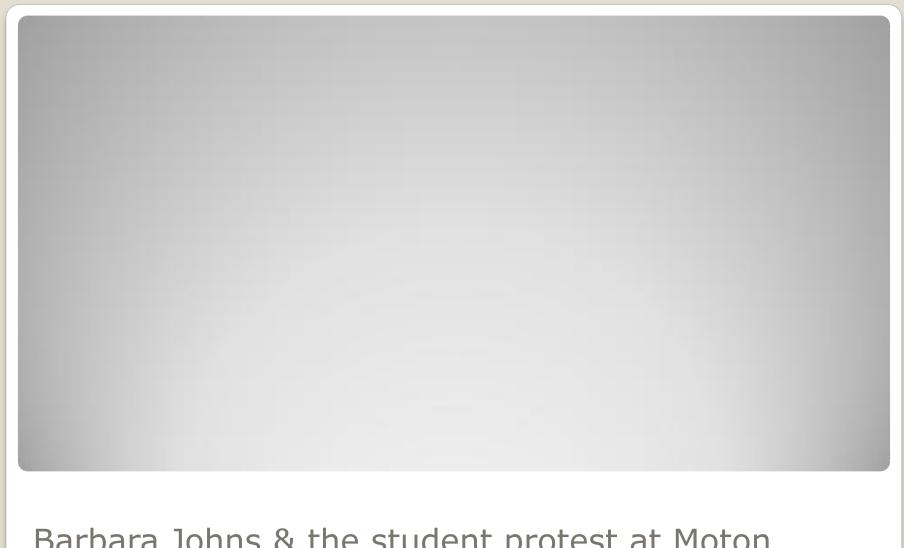


Saturday, February 5, 2011 8:30 am – 3:00 pm University Conference Center, Chicago The McCormick Foundation's Civics Program seeks to improve access to quality civic education and engagement opportunities in Chicagoland for youth ages 12-22.

The Civics Program pursues this vision by delivering content and services that serve youth and teachers; funding organizations that improve civic education and engagement; and by advocating for policy changes which impact the civic education system.

Through this work, the Civics Program aims to provide Chicagoland youth with the knowledge, skills and opportunities that are essential to lifelong civic engagement.

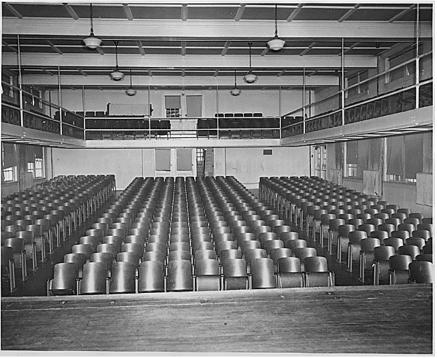




Barbara Johns & the student protest at Moton Danielle Estler, Professional Development Manager







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"Some of the boys in the vocational program visited the shop at the white school and came back telling us how nice their whole school was...I remember thinking how unfair it was. I thought about it a lot in bed that night, and I was still thinking about it the next day."



- Barbara Johns



Photo of student leaders at Moton Virginia Center for Digital History – Massive Resistance.

Protest sign from student strike Reproduction based on original seen in as seen in a photo in the Richmond News Leader on April 30, 1951





Kyle Hickman Wheaton Warrenville South High School/Teacher Advisory Council





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### SEPARATE IS NOT EQUAL

BROWN v. BOARD OF EDUCATION



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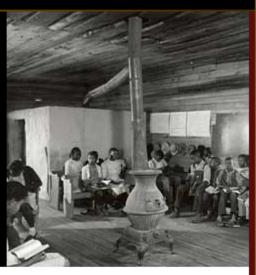


The Smithsonian's National Museum of American History is proud to present a special exhibition,

Separate Is Not Equal: Brown v. Board of Education, to commemorate the 50th anniversary of this major turning point in American history.

At fifty, its relevance shines on.

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#### Reflections

How has your life been affected by the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision? Share your thoughts.

#### **Public Programs**

Past events include film screenings, gallery talks, and an online chat. Stay tuned for upcoming events.

#### **Educational Materials**

Materials for teachers, parents, and students include a bibliography, a teacher guide, school tours, and other resources.

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http://americanhistory.si.edu/brown/index.html

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BROWN v. BOARD OF EDUCATION





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#### Black Students On Strike! Farmville, Virginia

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Davis v. the School Board of Prince Edward County

Moton High School is just a few miles from Appomattox, Virginia, the site of Robert E. Lee's surrender to Ulysses S. Grant to end the Civil War. In 1951 African American students from the school fought their battle for access to equal education.

Led by Barbara Johns, a determined eleventh-grader, a group of students organized a strike for a better school. The students rallied their fellow classmates, an entire community, and NAACP attorneys to their cause. Their courage and commitment brought their demand for justice before the nation.

Davis v. School Board of Prince Edward County Legal Case Summary

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### Barbara Johns of Farmville, Virginia

Resource for Grades 9-12 | View Citation



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Source: The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow: "Terror and Triumph" Learn more about The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow.

#### Related Resources:



Booker T. Washington: An Education (Video)



The Civil Rights Movement in America, 1945-1975 (Interactive)



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This video segment from The Rise and Fall of Jim Crow highlights the struggle to desegregate schools in the era of Jim Crow. In 1951, in the town of Farmville, Virginia, students at Robert Russa Moton High School called a strike, asserting their opposition to the deplorable conditions of their school compared to the white-only school. Led by the student activist Barbara Johns, students held a school strike, marched into the superintendent's office, and demanded a better school. When the NAACP heard of the students' cause, the organization provided support, and ultimately added the Farmville case to their challenge against Jim Crow.

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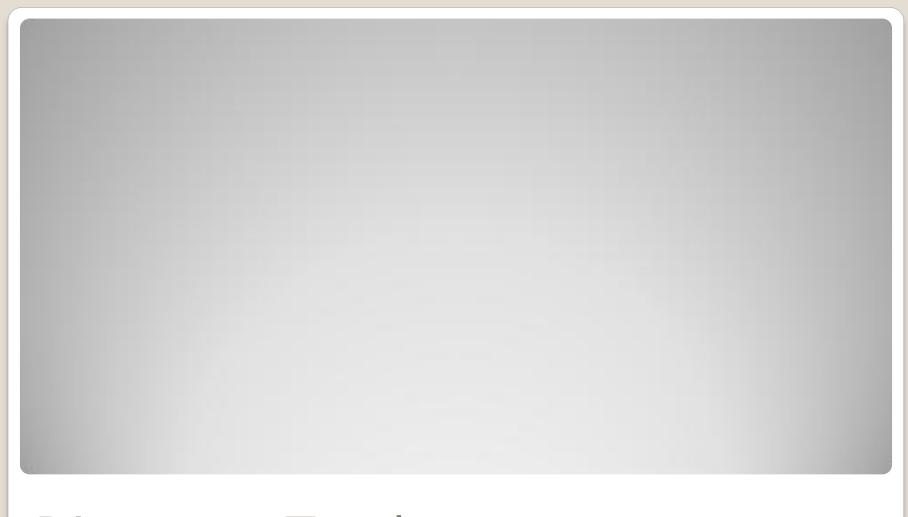
Barbara Johns of Farmville, Virginia Transcript (Document)

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## Discovery Trunks

Danielle Estler, Professional Development Manager



## **Object-Based Learning**

"The use of objects is key to providing experiences for engaging multiple intelligences"

"Using an object engages the senses, which increases interest and leads to individuals creating a personal connection to the learning."

"The use of objects in inquiry helps make an abstract idea concrete."

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**Discovery Trunks** are available to middle school and high school teachers who are looking for innovative ways to bring their curriculum - and the stories of those who have struggled to help define freedom - to life.

Themed **Discovery Trunks** feature artifact reproductions and multimedia in kits that illuminate the lives of historical figures such as Barbara Johns, Sojourner Truth, Abraham Lincoln, Alice Paul and Frederick Douglass.

The **Discovery Trunk** experience provides students with a unique opportunity to engage in hands-on, object-based learning.



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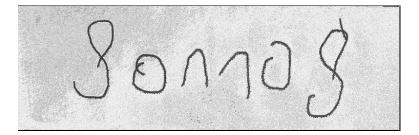
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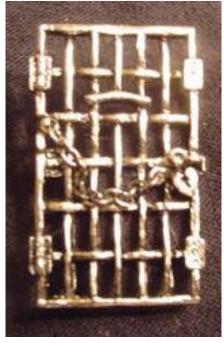


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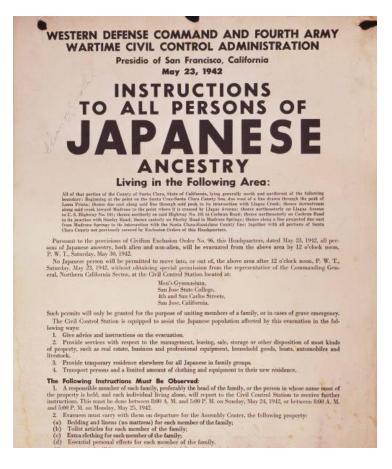






Penn[sylvania] on the picket line, 1917. Women of Protest: Photographs from the Records of the National Woman's Party, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. [mnwp.160022]

Reproduction Jailed for Freedom Pin Purchased from the Framingham Historical Society and Museum





Executive Order posted.

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Packing canvas with family number

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#### **Alice Paul**

#### Educator's Object Guide (page 2 of 4)



Penn[sylvania] on the picket line, 1917.

After President Wilson's narrow re-election, he met with a delegation of 300 women on January 9, 1917 who asked him to support a federal woman suffrage amendment; he refused and stormed out of the meeting. The suffragists began picketing the White House, scheduling different days for different affiliated groups state contingencies, professional groups, etc. These "silent sentinels" with their purple, white and gold banners with slogans like the one seen in this photo - "Mr. President How Long Must Women Wait for Liberty" - were the first White House protesters.

Their presence was initially tolerated, and even seen as an amusement, as the President would tip his hat to the picketers as he left the White House. However, that sentiment eroded as the United States entered into World War I on April 6, 1917. Continuing their picketing through the summer, their banners were embarrassing to the administration, highlighting the hypocrisy of fighting for democracy in Europe while denying voting rights to women in the United States. The nationalism of wartime also made it less acceptable for the suffragists to criticize the government, and increasingly their actions were being deemed unpatriotic. The D.C. police began arresting suffrage picketers on June 22, 1917 for obstructing sidewalk traffic.



"Jailed for Freedom" pin

In 1917, over 150 National Woman's Party (NWP) picketers were arrested and sentenced to terms of up to seven months in the Occoquan Workhouse in Virginia. When their demands to be considered political prisoners were ignored and their concerns about their living conditions went unresolved, some of the prisoners, including Alice Paul, went on hunger strikes. On November 15, 1917, on what became know as the "Night of Terror," prison guards brutalized the women when they failed to cooperate, beating and throwing them in their cells. Attempts were made to delegitimize Alice Paul as the leader of the NWP suffragists by having her undergo psychological testing to be declared mentally insane.

As word got out about the treatment the suffragists were facing in prison, the public's sympathy grew. Due to public outcry and the likelihood of successful appeals by the jailed suffragists, President Wilson ordered their unconditional release at the end of November 1917. Later, in March of 1918, a US Federal Appeals court found the detainment of the picketers to be unconstitutional.

During a NWP mass meeting in December 1917, suffrage prisoners were honored with a "Jailed for Freedom" pin. The pin was crafted from sterling sliver and depicted a prison gate held shut by a heart shaped lock. A badge of honor for the women who received them, the pin's design was inspired by the "Holloway Brooch" which was given to British suffragettes who had undergone similar ordeals in London's Holloway Prison. Alice Paul's original "Jailed for Freedom" pin can now be seen as part of the National Museum of American History's collection.



#### Artifact Exploration Worksheet

Artifacts are any objects made by humans, usually for a specific purpose. By looking closely at artifacts, we can learn a lot about those who made them, or the society and era in which they were created. When people hear the word 'artifact,' they often think of what we see at museums inside glass cases, but artifacts are all around us. Artifacts can be flat, like a poster in your classroom, or 3-dimensional, like the backpack you carry to school. They can even be movies or recordings of someone speaking or singing.

Fill out this worksheet as you explore artifacts you have in the classroom today. Use the back of this sheet for additional space.



What are the main colors used in the poster?

Are the messages in the poster primarily visual, verbal (using words), or both?

Who do you think is the intended audience for the poster?

What does the creator of this poster hope the audience will do?



When was the map produced?

List three things in this map that you think are important.

Why do you think the map was drawn? What is its point?

What information does the map tell about the Congressional Union's activities?



Look at the photograph - what do you see?

What does the photograph reveal about its subject?

When and where in the past do you think the photograph was taken? How can you tell?



Describe the object. How was it made and with what different materials?

What are some of the reasons someone would have made this object?

What did the person who made this object want other people to know or even do?

If someone wanted to make a similar statement today, how could they do it? What different ways can you think of for someone to express their ideas to others?

## Some ideas on how to use in your classroom:

• Use Discovery Trunks before or after a Freedom Express visit.



Freedom Express
A First Amendment Experience



The Freedom Express is a 45-foot mobile museum that tells the story of our First Amendment freedoms of speech, religion, petition, press and assembly through artifacts and award-winning, computer-based interactive exhibits.

One of the exhibits on the Freedom Express, *Freedom For All?* features artifacts that help tell the story of several historical figures who asserted their First Amendment rights in a struggle to define freedom in the United States. Featured individuals in the exhibit include Sequoyah, Martin Luther King, Mary Tsukamoto, Sojourner Truth, Alice Paul, and Eugene Debs.



#### McCormick Freedom Express touchscreen wl audio Exhibit Guide This touch-screen interactive allows visitors to learn the facts surrounding five landmark First Amendment cases. Visitors assume the role of a Supreme Court justice, analyzing the facts of the case before handing down their own ruling. They can then review the actual majority and dissenting opinions **Defining Freedom** Through flip panels, Religion: Westside School District v. Mergens (1990) visitors learn that the First Speech: Tinker v. Des Moines (1969) Amendment both protects Freedom for All? The Struggle Press: New York Times v. Sullivan (1964) and limits our freedoms. This exhibit features artifacts that Continues Assembly, Gregory v. Chicago (1969) Visitors can quiz each help tell the story of several his touch-screen Petition: Brown v. Louisiana (1966) other on several scenarios historic figures who asserted their eractive highlights First Amendment rights in a such as 'Does the First current and Amendment mean your struggle to re-define freedom in the roversial can protest at a public United States. deb tes: smokers' mall?' Limits to our First gun rights, Amendment freedoms are Featured individuals: rty rights, gay consistently challenged by The Founding Documents Sequoyah (Native American rights) right immigration individuals and re-defined Using a touch-screen interactive, visitors can view Martin Luther King (Civil rights) bortion. The and by legislation and the The Founding Generation the Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Mary Tsukamoto (Immigrant rights) exh courts. Some of these Here visitors can listen to the Bill of Rights. Each document features 'hot Sojourner Truth (Abolition of onstrates that der members of the founding panels refer to Supreme spots' where visitors can explore the deeper struggle to generation, comprised of Court decisions featured in meaning behind select passages Alice Paul (Women's suffrage) ine freedom is both Federalists and Antithe You Be the Judge Eugene Debs (Workers' rights) ver-ending, and Federalists, engaging in a ne First debate over whether or not Amendment allows a Bill of Rights should be us to participate in added to the U.S. these debates and Constitution. others. Introductory Text Panel Censorship: What Is It? "This museum explores the basic This exhibit defines inalienable rights upon which this censorship as a Marketplace of Ideas nation was founded. None are more government denying free Musical Hit List This film explores the concept of fundamental to our democracy than Visitors can listen to expression. Several a 'marketplace' of ideas, a public These two touch-screen interactives feature images, text and audio that those liberties guaranteed in the First music that was banned or forum wherein ideas are shared. historic examples of demonstrates the tension between preserving individual First Amendment Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. censorship in art, censored by radio tested, adopted or rejected rights and protecting individuals from threats to national security, acts of stations and stores through discussion and debate. literature and film - both violence, obscenity and hate crimes. Visitors are asked to 'draw the line' on The First Amendment has been, and between the 1950s and domestic and The film chronicles events that these timely issues: will remain, central to every chapter international - are offered 2000s. The examples

How do you define indecency on the air?

When does hateful speech become unlawful action?

Do young people need to be protected from violent video games?

How can we protect the troops without abridging freedom of press?

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But what do these rights mean? Are

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## **Alice Paul**

#### Additional Resources

Faces of Freedom in American History (8.0 reading level) - McCormick Foundation Civics Program curriculum created in partnership with the Bill of Rights Institute

Fighters for Freedom lesson plan - Understand and appreciate the contributions of Matthew Lyon, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, Alice Paul, and Ronald Reagan

http://www.freedomproject.us/files/pdf/faces of freedom cover.pdf

Conflict and Continuity: The Story of American Freedom (10.5 reading level)- McCormick Foundation Civics Program curriculum created in partnership with the Bill of Rights Institute

Voting Rights: Freedom for All? lesson plan - Understand the historical expansion of the right to vote in America Analyze, how various groups have used First Amendment freedoms to secure voting rights.

http://www.freedomproject.us/files/pdf/bill\_of\_rights.pdf

Alice Paul Institute

http://www.alicepaul.org/index.htm

Suffragists Oral History Project

Conversations with Alice Paul: Woman Suffrage and the Equal Rights Amendment

http://content.cdlib.org/ark:/13030/kt6f59n89c/

E-Book: Jailed for Freedom by Doris Stevens

http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/3604

Sewall-Belmont House and Museum, headquarters of the historic National Woman's Party

http://www.sewallbelmont.org/

Website for the movie Iron-Jawed Angels

http://iron-jawed-angels.com/

Women's Fight for the Vote: The Nineteenth Amendment

http://www.law.umkc.edu/faculty/projects/ftrials/conlaw/nineteentham.htm

Votes for Women: Selections from the National American Woman Suffrage Association Collection, 1848-1921

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/connections/votes-women/

American Memory Photographs from the Records of the National Woman's Party

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/suffrage/nwp/

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## Where to find digitized primary sources and works of art:

Library of Congress American Memory <a href="http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html">http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html</a>

National Archives DocsTeach <a href="http://docsteach.org/">http://docsteach.org/</a>

National Archives Online Exhibits <a href="http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/">http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/</a>

National Archives Digital Vaults <a href="http://www.digitalvaults.org/">http://www.digitalvaults.org/</a>

National Archives Our Documents <a href="http://www.ourdocuments.gov/">http://www.ourdocuments.gov/</a>

Smithsonian Collections Search Center <a href="http://collections.si.edu/search/">http://collections.si.edu/search/</a>

Harper's Weekly Text, Illustrations and Cartoons <a href="http://www.harpweek.com/">http://www.harpweek.com/</a>

Museums, Presidential Libraries, National Park Service, Historical Sites...



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- Create your own Discovery Trunk!



## Questions?



## Small Group Activity

How might you use discovery trunks in your own classroom?

What connections might you make between discovery trunks?

How might you create your own extensions to a discovery trunk?

What new discovery trunk would you like to create?

