

## **Montgomery County Public Libraries 'Contemporary Conversations' Series will Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Women's Right to Vote with a Free Virtual Event**

**Saturday, August 22 at 7:00 p.m. Registration required**

Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment's passage, guaranteeing women the right to vote, with a discussion featuring two prominent authors as part of MCPL's "Contemporary Conversations" series. The virtual event called "Celebrating 100 Years of Women's Right to Vote" will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 22.

Montgomery County League of Women Voters Co-President Diane Hibino will moderate the discussion that will feature authors Ida E. Jones and Rebecca Boggs Roberts.

Dr. Jones, a noted scholar and university archivist at Morgan State University, will discuss her work about two relevant women. The works she will address are "Mary McLeod Bethune, True Democracy and the Fight for Universal Suffrage" and "Baltimore City Rights Leader Victorine Q. Adams, the Power of the Ballot."

Roberts, a journalist and curator of programming for Planet Word Museum, will talk about her books focused on the suffrage movement. Those books are "Suffragist in Washington, D.C. – The 1913 Parade and the Fight for the Vote" and "The Suffragist Playbook: Your Guide to Changing the World."

"We are delighted to mark this important occasion in U.S. history," said MCPL Director Anita Vassallo. "This is a wonderful opportunity to honor and remember many women who played a significant role in the suffrage movement and fought diligently for women's voices to be heard and have the right to vote."

[Friends of the Library, Montgomery County, Inc.](#) co-sponsors [Contemporary Conversations](#), which is a community forum to talk about cultural and current issues with experienced authors and journalists and to engage in enriching conversations.

Register for this free event on the [registration website](#). For questions, or more information email [Clotilde.puertolas@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:Clotilde.puertolas@montgomerycountymd.gov).