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Exploring women's ART, HISTORY AND CULTURE

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THE first female mayor of Prior Lake wasn't even on the ballot. Instead, Cora McQuestion won the election in 1926 by write-in vote — after becoming popular for foiling a bank robbery several years earlier.

“McQuestion lived across the street from the bank, so she grabbed her shotgun and fired at them. Needless to say, they ran out of town,” said Scott County Historical Society program manager Rose James.

McQuestion is one of many notable women featured in Women's History Month and International Women's Day displays across the metro.

Established in 1987, National Women's History Month was designated to call attention to the impact women had made on history. Each year, the National Women's History Project declares a theme; because many 2020 events were delayed, both 2020 and 2021's theme is “Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to Be Silenced.”

International Women's Day has been celebrated since the early 20th century, but March 8 was declared the official date by the United Nations in 1977.

Throughout March, local exhibits are showcasing women's accomplishments, history, art and performances online and in-person — all for free.

FEMALE-FOCUSED HISTORY

Some historical exhibitions are pulling double-duty — like Scott County Historical Society's “Votes For Women: Suffrage in Scott County,” celebrating both Women's History Month and the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment, which granted women the right to vote. Though the anniversary was in 2020, the exhibit will stay up throughout 2021 to allow more people a chance to stop by.

Scott County was a pioneer of female leadership in Minnesota, explained James. Shakopee Mayor Elizabeth Ries and McQuestion were among the first

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COURTESY OF SCOTT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Lenora Southworth was the vice president of the 1883 Scott County Women's Suffrage Committee, and served on the committee once again when it once again came to prominence in 1918. Outside of her suffrage work, Southworth was president of the local Women's Relief Corps.

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