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Stratford Honors the 19th Amendment’s Centennial Ratification

STRATFORD – The year 2020 marks one hundred years since the 19th Amendment was signed into law, giving all female U.S. citizens the right to vote. The Town of Stratford is recognizing this centennial with a series of events, including a livestream presentation of the acclaimed production of “I Now Pronounce You Lucy Stone.”

Mayor Laura R. Hoydick, along with the Stratford Historical Society, hosted monthly presentations highlighting notable Stratford women during Town Council meetings from January through March. The women being honored ranged from Suffrage activists to present day civic and community leaders. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Town Council meetings have been moved to a virtual format, putting these monthly presentations on hold.

Fortunately, the Stratford Historical Society partnered with History at Play, LLC to bring “I Now Pronounce You Lucy Stone” to resident's homes via a free livestreaming performance on Thursday, September 3rd at 7:15pm EST. The one-woman performance has garnered nationwide praise for depiction of Lucy Stone, the first woman from Massachusetts to earn a college degree, a fierce abolitionist, and women’s rights activist.

“Recognizing this centennial provides an unparalleled opportunity to celebrate a milestone in our republic, both nationally and here in town,” said Mayor Laura R. Hoydick. “For more than one hundred years, Stratford has seen strong, passionate, capable female leaders. The stories being presented are remarkable.”

The livestream production will be followed by a real-time audience Q&A session and is suitable for all ages. For more information visit lucystone.stratfordhistorialsociety.com or call 203-378-0630.

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