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The 2020 Edward J. Cashin Memorial Woodrow Wilson Lecture And Annual Symposium Consider Women's Suffrage

Augusta, GA, October 29, 2020 – For the first time ever, the annual Edward J. Cashin Memorial Woodrow Wilson Lecture is being presented virtually on Friday, November 6th at 6:30pm when renowned music historian, Michael Lasser, speaks on “Suffrage in Song,” a review with many musical examples of the songs written and performed in support of the Women’s Suffrage Movement. Mr. Lasser’s lecture kicks off a virtual version of the annual symposium produced by a consortium of Augusta’s leading history and cultural organizations since 2011.

It continues on Saturday, November 7th, at 10:00am, when Lisa Landers speaks on “The Women’s Suffrage Movement in the Progressive Era South.” She will be followed by Dr. Sonya Ramsey whose lecture, “Church Ladies, Club Women, and Political Sorors: Black Women’s Struggle for Voting Rights, 1913 to the Present” views the Suffrage Movement through the lens of race.

All three lectures may be viewed on the websites or social media platforms of the participating organizations: the Augusta Museum of History; Historic Augusta, Inc; Lucy Craft Laney Museum of Black History; and the Morris Museum of Art. Their organizational efforts are supported by the Augusta-Richmond County Historical Society and Augusta University Center for the Study of Georgia History.

Michael Lasser, lecturer, writer, broadcaster, and music critic, is the author of several books, the most recent of which, *City Songs and American Life, 1900-1950*, was published in 2019. His nationally syndicated, Peabody Award-winning show, *Fascinatin’ Rhythm*, is celebrating its fortieth year on NPR.

Lisa Landers, the head of Georgia Historical Society’s educational programs and educational outreach for K-12 students and teachers, holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science from Auburn University and a Masters of Arts in Education from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Dr. Sonya Ramsey is Associate Professor of History and Women’s and Gender Studies at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She is the Co-Editor, Book Reviews for *The History of Education Quarterly*. In 2000 she earned her Ph.D. in United States History from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

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