

10TH ANNUAL ORAL HISTORY PROGRAM





Worcester Women Activists

A presentation by
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and
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Wednesday, December 4, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Assumption College — Salon, La Maison Française (first building) 500 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA

Free and Open to the Public *Refreshments*

Worcester, MA, home of the First and Second National Woman's Rights Conventions in 1850 and 1851, was known as a center of radical abolitionist activity and social reform in the early women's rights movement. Today it is still the home of many activists who fight for women's rights and social justice. Dr. Selina Gallo-Cruz, Milagros Montenegro, and students from the College of the Holy Cross have conducted and transcribed over 20 oral histories of local women for the Worcester Women's Oral History Project. Selina and Milagros will share what was learned in this collaborative project, including insights into the lives of these Worcester women activists and their contributions to nonviolent social change and community building.

Selina Gallo-Cruz, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor of Sociology at the College of the Holy Cross. Selina teaches courses on Gender, Global Inequality, Social Theory, Social Movements, and Women and Nonviolence. She is a scholar of women and peace movements and a member of the Steering Committee of the Worcester Women's History Project.

Milagros Montenegro is a College of the Holy Cross graduate and winner of the Sociology and Anthropology Department's prestigious Imse Award for excellence in the connection of scholarship to public service in the Worcester community. She recently worked as a Clerk for the City of Worcester, has volunteered for the Worcester Women's History Project, and collected and transcribed many of the interviews on Worcester women activists. She is currently preparing for graduate studies in social work and education.

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