

AAUW Texas 49th Convening
Pflugerville, Texas

SCHEDULE

Friday April 17th

2:30 – 5:30 p.m. Board Meeting

4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Registration

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. **Desserts, Drinks and Conversation.**
Connect with others in your district.

Saturday April 18th

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies

Girl Scout Flag Presentation

Honoring Georgia Kidwell

Welcome from Mayor Victor Gonzales

9:00 – 9:50 a.m. Morning Plenary

*A look back 100 years: History of suffrage in Texas
and the nation*

Dr. Jessica Brannon-Wranosky,

Distinguished Professor of Digital
Humanities and History, Texas A& M Commerce

10:00 – 10:45 a.m. Business Meeting

10:50 – 11:50 a.m. Role “Play”

Learn strategies for success from AAUW peers in like
roles from branches across Texas.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch Plenary

12:00 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch Buffet

12:45 – 1:30 p.m. *Leaders, Influencers, Trend*

Setters -- Where are women today?

Chief Jessica Robledo

Police Chief for the City of Pflugerville.

1:30 – 2:50 p.m. Table Topics

Two forty-minute sessions on a variety of topics of
interest to AAUW members

3:00 – 3:45 p.m. Recognitions and Awards

3:50 – 4:45 p.m. Closing Plenary

*Stories for Back Home: What can one woman
do?*

Rebecca Powers, Founder Impact Austin

4:45 – 5:45 p.m. Cocktails and Conversation

Gather with friends, old and new, for conversation and
libations.

Saturday Group Dinner and Theater -

Mamma Mía performed at the historic

Georgetown Palace Theatre

(Optional with additional fee)

Our Sister Suffragists fought long and hard to
win the right to vote for women. Celebrate 100
years of women's suffrage by becoming a

Sister Suffragist.

Donate \$100 to AAUW Greatest Needs Fund
#9110 between now and the April 2020
Convening and you will be honored as a

Sister Suffragist.

Marriott Courtyard

Pflugerville

\$129 per night

Deadline for reservations: March 27, 2020

[Book Your Reservation Now](#)

We need your help to keep the convening
costs low; only book through the hotel so we
can meet our minimum guarantee of 40
rooms for Friday and 15 rooms for Saturday
night. Only hotels booked directly through
the hotel will count towards our numbers.

Branch Recognition Video

Each branch is asked to send 5 pictures of
activities that your branch has done this past
year. A slide show showcasing our impact across
the state will be shared at our 49th convening,
April 17th and 18th.

So, get busy with your cameras and send
your 5 favorite pictures by March 1, 2020, to
Malinda Gaul at mgaul@satx.rr.com. Be sure to
identify your branch so that we can give you
proper recognition.

Transportation Needs?

Contact Kate DiPronio at ktlee523@gmail.com if you have transportation needs to attend the 2020 Convening.

100 Years: A Centennial of Women's Suffrage

Learn from our past, reflect on our present, and dream of our future from three powerful and influential Texas women: Dr. Jessica Brannon-Wranosky, Chief Jessica Robledo, and Rebecca Powers.

100 years of suffrage: A look back at the women's suffrage movement from a Texas perspective

Kicking us off with a look back at the history of suffrage in Texas and the U. S. will be Distinguished Professor of Digital Humanities and History at Texas A&M Commerce, Dr. Jessica Brannon-Wranosky (<https://jessicabrannonwranosky.com/about/>)



Drawing on a deep understanding of the struggle of women to gain the right to vote, which she has developed through extensive research, publications, exhibits, and presentations on the topic, Dr. Brannon-Wranosky will wake us up and inspire us at the breakfast plenary with a look back at suffrage from the unique Texas perspective.

Leaders, Influencers, Trend Setters -- Where are women today?

Police Chief Jessica Robledo (<https://police.pflugervilletx.gov/about/office-of-the-chief>) has had an extraordinary vantage point for understanding the role of women today. As a woman leader in a predominantly male profession, Chief Robledo has changed the culture of the police department in Pflugerville, Texas, creating more transparency, diversity, and community connections. In her luncheon plenary, Chief Robledo will examine the status of women today from her unique and valuable perspective.



Stories for Back Home: What can one woman do?

As the founder for Impact Austin, a collective giving organization whose concept was simple and inspirational —bring women and their financial resources together to make a profound impact in their region—Rebecca Powers has a powerful story to tell about the difference one woman can make. To date, Impact Austin has raised more than \$7 million on behalf of those in need in Central Texas. Sending us home with stories of her continued journey to have an impact, Ms. Powers will inspire and challenge us to make a difference.



Share Your Views in the Program Booklet for the 2020 State Convening

As we celebrate 100 years of suffrage for women in this country, one thing is clear – this right was only for white women. It wasn't until nearly a half a century later with the passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965 that black women had the right to vote. The 2020 Texas AAUW Program Booklet is enriched by sharing your unique perspective and experiences related to voting and voter's rights. In twenty-five words or less, email your thoughts on any or all of these questions:

- *What do voting rights mean to you?*
- *Who is your favorite suffragist?*
- *How can we best protect voting rights?*

Please email your responses to these questions to Anita Knight at DBASKNIGHT@aol.com and include "program booklet" in the subject line.

Limit your responses to 25 words or less; include your name and branch affiliation. Submit by March 15, 2020 to be considered for inclusion in the program.

Look for your comments and those of your colleagues from across the state in the program for AAUW of Texas' 49th Biennial Convening.

ADVERTISE IN THE PROGRAM for the 2020 CONVENING

AAUW branches, interest groups, members We want to hear from You! Place your ad in the 2020 Texas State Convening Program

Share your branch's accomplishments, honor a member or mentor, give a life tribute or memoriam, acknowledge awards and accomplishments, offer special recognition, give thanks. Individual members may also purchase ads.

	<u>Width</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Full page color (cover)	4.5	7.5	\$200
Full page B&W	4.5	7.5	\$100
Half-page B&W	4.5	3.75	\$ 50
Quarter page B&W	2.25	3.75	\$ 25
Business card			\$ 25
3-line branch special			\$ 10

Deadline: March 15, 2020

For questions, contact: Anita Knight, dbasknight@aol.com

Send camera ready electronic documents to Anita Knight.

Make checks payable to AAUW TX 2020 Convening. Mail to:

AAUW Texas 2020 Convening,
P.O. Box 29951, Austin, TX 78755, ATTN: Roberta Coffin

2020 Convening Service Project: Dress for Success Central Austin

To support women in Central Texas, attendees to the 2020 Texas AAUW Convening are asked to bring your gently used professional clothing and related items to be collected at the event and donated to Dress for Success Austin Central Texas.

Please adhere to the following guidelines when bringing items to donate. Bring at least one item for a chance at a door prize; get two chances by bringing at least 5 items.

- Please ensure that all items donated are freshly dry-cleaned / laundered and ironed, not more than 5 years old, and suitable for wearing to job interviews.
- Dress for Success Austin does not accept stained or damaged clothing.
- All cosmetic products and toiletries **MUST** be new and unopened.
- Donations can be delivered in boxes or shopping bags, but hangers are preferred.

WHAT CLOTHES SHOULD I DONATE?

Dress For Success | Austin

YES			
 Suits: modern & classic styles	 Pants: modern & conservative colors	 Skirts: conservative lengths	 Jackets: light & medium weight
 Blouses: to be worn under suit-jackets	 Shoes: professional, like-new	 Handbags: professional, like-new	 Jewelry: classic & modern
NO			
 denim/leather khaki/capris	 T-shirts & athleisure wear	 heavy fabrics: wool	 busy prints & sequin/metallic

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Greening Our Convening

Each of us probably has an extensive collection of bags from previous conventions – AAUW and otherwise. This year to promote a green convening, we are asking attendees to bring their own tote. Prizes will be given for the following categories. Only the first tote needs to be an AAUW tote; bring any of your funniest or fanciest!

- Oldest AAUW Tote
- Funniest Tote
- Largest Tote
- Smallest Tote
- Fanciest Tote
- Best Handmade Tote
- Strangest Tote

Look through those old totes and bring one to our 2020 Convening.

What's Else is Happening at Convention

Recognition of Outstanding Member and Outstanding New Member

In every branch there is always that special member whose work makes the branch run smoother – who always says “yes” when asked – who you just couldn’t imagine your branch functioning without. This is the member your branch should nominate for the state **Outstanding Member** award, to be given at our April convening in Pflugerville.

You may also nominate that member who has only been with your branch 3 or fewer years, but has already made her mark, for the **Outstanding New Member** award.

To make a nomination for either – or both – of these awards, please submit a narrative (1000 words or less) describing the accomplishments of the member and why she should be named Outstanding Member or the Outstanding New Member. Submissions are due March 1, 2020.

Start thinking about who your branch will nominate and send your nominations to Gloria Long, AAUW Texas Membership VP at glorialong911@gmail.com.

Role “Play”

A thriving branch needs strong leadership. This session offers an opportunity to “play” with other members in a similar role—be it president, or public policy chair, or a member. Gather strategies to be impactful in your role from others in that same role from branches across the state. “Play” with ideas about how to help your branch further AAUW’s mission to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Learning from One Another – Table Topics

Other branches may have already solved a problem your branch is having or have some great ideas for programs to bring in new members. Return home with great ideas for your branch about topics including:

- Fundraising
- Public Policy
- Leadership Development
- Recruiting and Retaining Members
- College and University Partnerships
- Get out the Vote 2020
- Start Smart/Work Smart
- Community Engagement
- Title IX
- National Conference for Women Leaders

Connect with Friends and Colleagues from across Texas

From the Friday night “Desserts, Drinks, and Conversations” to “Cocktails and Conversations” concluding the 2020 convening, conference goers will have ample opportunities to spend time together in conversation. Enjoy this opportunity to connect with others from across the state.

Enjoy a special night out at the historic Georgetown Palace Theater



Join us for a performance of ***Mamma Mia!*** Music and Lyrics by Benny Andersson and Björn Ulvaeus.

Enjoy this smash-hit musical at the Springer Mainstage! On the eve of her wedding, Sophie begins her quest to discover the identity of her father, bringing three men from her mother's past back to the island they last visited 20 years ago. A mother. A daughter. Three possible dads. It's a trip down the aisle you'll never forget!

See the registration form for information about purchasing tickets.