

We Demand:

The Suffrage Road Trip

Book Description:

Swedish immigrants Ingeborg Kindstedt and Maria Kindberg visit San Francisco in the summer of 1915, planning to buy a car and explore the country on their way back to their home in Rhode Island. On impulse, they offer to bring with them suffragists heading to Washington DC to demand voting rights for women from Congress and the President. Soon they are plunged into a difficult and dangerous journey that pushes them to the very limits of their endurance.

As they travel they encounter unexpected allies, and those opposed to women's growing independence. Bad roads and harsh weather hinder their progress. Will they overcome these obstacles and arrive in DC at the appointed day and time?

Interview questions for Anne:

- What was it like to drive across America in 1915?
- Did the trip make a difference in the suffrage battle?
- What does their experience tell us about women's ongoing fight for equality?



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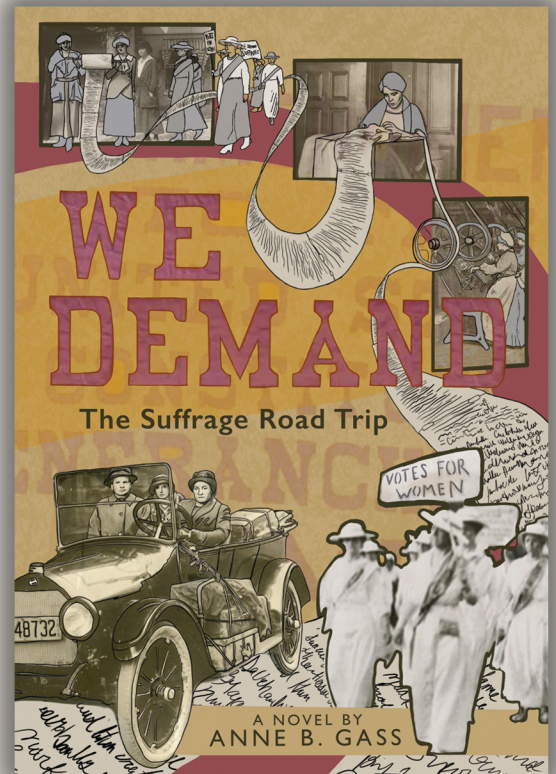
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is an independent historian with a passion for sharing the history of women's fight for voting and other rights. Not surprising, since she is descended from suffragists! In 2014 she published *Voting Down the Rose: Florence Brooks Whitehouse and Maine's Fight for Woman Suffrage*, a thoroughly researched account of her great-grandmother's leadership in the decisive final years of the suffrage battle.

She lectures frequently on suffrage and women's rights history at schools, colleges, museums, historical societies, libraries, and other venues. She is active in women's history and women's rights groups in Maine and nationally. *We Demand* is her second book.



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