

ABOUT ME

Leslie Goddard is an award-winning actress and scholar who has been presenting history programs for more than fifteen years.

She holds a Ph.D. from Northwestern University specializing in American studies and U.S. history as well as a master's degree in theater.

A former museum director, she is the author of three books on history and currently works full-time as an author and public speaker.

WHAT I DO

I portray memorable women from the past and tell historical stories so that lessons from the past are more entertaining, educational and inspiring.

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History lectures and
historical portrayals

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"One audience member told me that 'she is the best lecturer ever.'"

-- Nancy B., Morton Grove



HISTORICAL PORTRAYALS

These 45-minute one-woman plays give life to women from the past. Authentically costumed and thoroughly researched, they are adapted from Journals, letters, autobiographies and other primary documents.

Julia Child NEW! Available August 2022

Jackie Kennedy

Rachel Carson

Eleanor Roosevelt

Amelia Earhart

Georgia O'Keeffe

Queen Elizabeth II

HISTORY LECTURES

Lavishly illustrated with photos, drawings, ads, memorabilia and other images, these slide lectures run 55-60 minutes.

Lost Chicago Department Stores

Nancy Drew NEW!

Midcentury Cuisine NEW!

Betty Crocker

Remembering Route 66

The Little Black Dress

Chicago's Sweet Candy History

Remembering Marshall Field's

Iconic Chicago Foods



HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Marshall Field's at Christmas

Midcentury Christmas

The Making of *It's a Wonderful Life*

Christmas at the White House

Imagine having a conversation with a celebrated First Lady, a survivor of the Titanic disaster, or the most famous female pilot in history.

I give voice to fascinating stories from the past. As entertaining as they are informational, these programs bring history alive in a fun, inspiring, and educational way.



"Some of the words I've heard are magnificent, glorious, superb, educational, entertaining, etc. The afternoon was thrilling and very satisfying."

-- David N., Elgin