

# Leslie Goddard



Leslie Goddard  
History Comes Alive!

Actress, Historian & Author

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**Want to bring history alive for your book group?  
These presentations are for you!**

Imagine having a conversation with a celebrated First Lady, a survivor of the Titanic, or one of the most famous monarchs in history. I give voice to books about history and biographies of fascinating women of the past. As entertaining as they are informational, these programs bring history books alive in a fun, inspiring, educational way. *(Book clubs are welcome to book any of my current offerings, but the following programs are particularly tied to a book or books.)*



## Leslie's 2020 Book-Based Programs:

### Portrayals:

- Lady Bird, Pat, and Betty
- Queen Elizabeth II
- Titanic Survivor Violet Jessop

### Lectures:

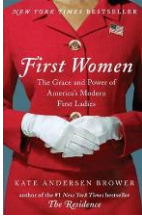
- Bad Blood: The Rise and Fall of Elizabeth Holmes
- Christmas in the Movies
- Remembering Marshall Field's
- Chicago's Sweet Candy History

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# 2020 Programs for Book Groups

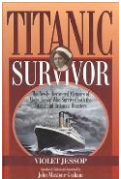


## Lady Bird, Pat and Betty (portrayal)

Meet three women who faced the job of First Lady with grace, wit and courage. Based on the books *Betty Ford* by Lisa McCubbin (2018), *Pat and Dick* by Will Swift (2014), *Lady Bird and Lyndon* by Betty Boyd Caroli (2015) and *First Women* by Kate Andersen Brower (2017)

## Queen Elizabeth II (portrayal)

Explore the life of longest-reigning monarch. Based on the book *Elizabeth the Queen* by Sally Bedell Smith (2011)

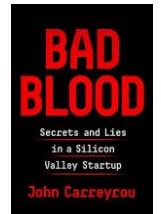


## Titanic Survivor Violet Jessop (portrayal)

The story of the famed stewardess who survived the sinkings of the Titanic in 1912 and her identical sister ship, Britannic, in 1916. Based on the book *Titanic Survivor* by Violet Jessop (1998)

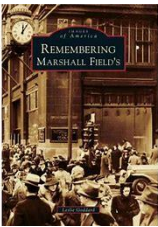
## Bad Blood: The Rise and Fall of Elizabeth Holmes (lecture)

The story of the failed blood-testing company Theranos and its ambitious young entrepreneur. Based on *Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup* by John Carreyou (2018)



## Christmas in the Movies (lecture)

Revisit the most beloved holiday films, complete with behind-the-scenes stories and photos spanning eight decades of Christmas favorites. Based on the book *Christmas in the Movies* by Jeremy Arnold (2018)

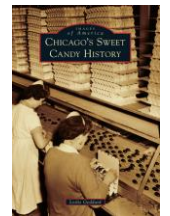


## Remembering Marshall Field's (lecture)

Based on the book *Remembering Marshall Field's* by Leslie Goddard (2011)

## Chicago's Sweet Candy History (lecture)

Based on the book *Chicago's Sweet Candy History* by Leslie Goddard (2012)



**Leslie Goddard** is an award-winning actress, historian, and scholar with more than fifteen years' experience presenting historical portrayals and lectures. Her solo performances have been seen by audiences in more than a dozen states, and she gives more than 400 presentations annually. Her repertoire of historical characters includes Alice Paul, Clara Barton, Amelia Earhart, Georgia O'Keeffe, Louisa May Alcott, and First Ladies Eleanor Roosevelt, Lady Bird Johnson, Betty Ford, Pat Nixon, and Jackie Kennedy. She holds a master's degree in theater as well as a Ph.D. in history and has written two books on Chicago history.

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