

Some Women



MANCHESTER CENTENARY CITY

AMBASSADORS



Some Women; Centenary City Ambassadors

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Introduction and Background

Hello Ambassadors!

This pack includes information about the Pankhurst Centre's Some Women; Manchester Centenary City project, and your role as Ambassadors for it!

The Pankhurst Centre, at number 60-62 Nelson Street, was the home of Emmeline Pankhurst and her family from 1898 to 1907. It was in the parlour of number 62 that Emmeline started the Women's Social and Political Union, the movement that would become known as the Suffragettes, who fought so bravely for the rights of women at the beginning of the twentieth century. The Centre now houses a small heritage museum and domestic abuse service, Manchester Women's Aid.

2018 year marks 100 years since the Representation of the People Act which gave (some) women the right to vote. Although the Act enfranchised only 40% of the total population of women in the U.K (the vote was given only to women over 30, and only if they were a registered property occupier, or were married to a registered property occupier), it remains a major landmark in the history of women's rights.

As part of the centenary of (some) women gaining the right to vote in 1918, [the U.K. Government has identified Manchester as one of seven Centenary Cities](#) because of its strong link to the women's suffrage movement. Each of the seven cities has been given funding to help mark this occasion.

Manchester's Centenary City projects include:

- Manchester City Council Vote100 events website (tbc)
- [Our Emmeline](#) statue by sculptor Hazel Reeve
- Pankhurst Centre: Some Women – [Rise, Voice, Vote Youth Engagement Project](#).
- Pankhurst Centre: Some Women – [Manchester Centenary City – archive and exhibition](#)

The other centenary cities are: Bolton, Bristol, Leeds, Leicester, London, and Nottingham.

Some Women; Centenary City Project

The Some Women; Manchester Centenary City project will collect, archive, document and curate Manchester's responses to the centenary. There are so many events, exhibitions, talks, tours, resources, booklets, theatrical productions, artworks, and interviews being generated and produced in Manchester in response to the centenary, and we want to make sure all this momentum and energy is captured for the feminists of the future! This is partly so that 2018 can be recognised as an important year of empowerment and gender equality, but also because there is a major underrepresentation of women in history, and this year offers a unique opportunity to redress this balance. We hope the archive will be the basis of many exhibitions, research projects, and other things we can't even imagine in the years ahead.

Although the project is being led by the Pankhurst centre, we want the decision-making about this collection and its display to be made by the people of Manchester. One way in which this will be achieved is through a [crowd-sourced digital map of Manchester](#), where we're encouraging people to upload photos, stories and reflections on this year's events.

As well as relying on the people of Manchester, [we're also recruiting 100 self-selected Ambassadors to help us with this project](#). We hope our Ambassadors will help us to collect material for our archive, decide which bits become part of our collection, and assist with the curation of an exhibition which will be on at the Pankhurst Centre from November. We hope that participating in the programme will be fun and useful.

Please make sure you've completed the Ambassador form at the end of this pack and returned to me. This will help me get a sense of who's who!

Being an Ambassador

Being an Ambassador for the Some Women Centenary City project is voluntary, and we will never make demands of you. We ask simply that you act as an Ambassador for the project, acting in its best interests, and encouraging friends and family to get involved. There are several ways that you can help out.

We would hope that all Ambassadors would want to:

- Attend some of Manchester's Vote100 events, and take pictures, film, audio, or otherwise help to document them
- Upload a selection of these photos/images and stories to our Historypin Manchester; Centenary City [digital map](#) and encourage your networks to do the same
- Collect leaflets, stickers, badges, booklets and any other information or fun things from these events, and bring them along to the Ambassador Drop in Sessions at the Pankhurst Centre
- Bring digital copies of the photos or digital assets you've generated to the Ambassador Drop in Sessions at the Pankhurst Centre

- Assist at the public Historypin sessions at the Pankhurst Centre

There will also be the opportunity to get involved in other parts of the project, if you so wish. This might include:

- Helping to document and catalogue the archive, dates tbc.
- Helping to decide which bits of the archive to include in our Centenary City exhibition in November. This will probably be at the drop in sessions in September.
- Assisting with the design, installation and launch for the Centenary City exhibition, in October and November.

Things to bear in mind!

- Questions to think about when recording events might include:

Event specific questions:

- What is the event? When was it? Where was it? Who organised it?
- How many people attended? Who was there? Who wasn't?
- How is it relevant to Vote 100?
- Did you learn anything new?
- How did it make you feel? What questions / issues did it bring up for you? Or for those you spoke to?

Broader questions:

- How far have we come in 100 years?
- How would you like the position of women to change in the next 100 years?

- Permissions

Permissions rules are complicated, but as a general rule of thumb it's ok to take photos, video or audio people in public places. Please do bear in mind that some people might not want to be recorded or photographed and that we must respect this. Please be considerate and careful with the way you document events!

The sign included at the end of this pack will be available at the Ambassador drop in sessions. This should be displayed prominently whenever you are taking photos or recording. Please contact event organisers in advance of the event to ask their permission about this, or contact me about this.

There are exceptions to these general rules:

- Please do not record children or vulnerable adults. The permission of parents or guardians needs to be sought for this.

- Always ask permission to record in a private space, i.e. in a person's house.
 - Always ask permission if you are recording an individual giving a speech
- Physical things

Please bring physical items with you to the drop in sessions we've scheduled. You will need to complete a form and deposit it in our archive box. If we are not able to include the item in our permanent archive, you will be able to pick the item up from drop-in sessions in the future, should you wish!
- Digital files

If you are bringing digital items to the Ambassador drop ins, please bring them on a memory stick, and make sure the file is named in the following format:

FirstInitialSurnameNameofEventDateofEventItemNumber (So if I took 4 photos of the Manchester Day Parade, the files would be named TChynowethManchesterParade17June1-4.)
- Historypin

Historypin is a digital platform that we are using to collect some of the responses to Manchester's Vote100 events. There are instructions and guides to the Historypin site available online. The guidelines about how to pin are available [here](#).

Getting in touch

Let us know what you're getting up to via social media. We'll try and retweet and reply to every tweet, facebook comment, and instagram post that we receive from Ambassadors.

Please also make sure that you use the relevant hashtags and @s.

Some of them are listed below here:

Facebook - @ThePankhurst

Twitter @PankhurstCentre

Instagram @thepankhurst

Some of the # for this year:

#Pankhurst100 – Pankhurst Centenary year

#vote100 – Centenary Year

#votesandvoices – Government Equalities Office hashtag.

The easiest way to speak to us is to come along to the Ambassador drop in sessions.

I am also available on e-mail at t.chynoweth@manchesterwomensaid.org. Please bear in mind that we are a very small team with a *large* workload, and aren't always able to respond as quickly as we'd like.

18th May 2018

Dates for your diaries 2018*

Saturday 19th May	12- 2pm	HerArchivist Training
Sunday 10th June	10am – 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
	1-4pm	Pankhurst Centre Open – Historypin Session
Saturday 7th July	12-2pm	HerArchivist Training
Sunday 8th July	10am – 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
	1-4pm	Pankhurst Centre Open - Historypin Session
Sunday 12th August	10am – 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
	1-4pm	Pankhurst Centre Open - Historypin Session
Sunday 2nd September	10am – 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
13th -16th September	10-4pm	Heritage Open Days - Historypin Session
Sunday 14th October	10am- 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
	1-4pm	Pankhurst Centre Open – Historypin Session
Sunday 11th November	10am – 1pm	Ambassadors – Drop in
	1-4pm	Pankhurst Centre Open – Historypin Session
Sunday 18th November	10-4pm (tbc)	Centenary City Exhibition install
Thursday 21st November	5-7pm (tbc)	Centenary City Exhibition launch
Sunday 25th November	1-4pm (tbc)	Centenary City Exhibition opens to the public

*All sessions will take place in the Training Room at the Pankhurst Centre. The format of the sessions will develop over the course of the project. These dates are liable to change as we are a small organisation with limited space and lots of important projects! Please make sure I have an up-to-date e-mail address for you so that I can make sure you're aware of any changes.





**Pankhurst Centre
Ambassadors will be
documenting this event
for our archive & Vote100
exhibition.**

If you do not wish to appear
as part of this, please get in
touch with us.

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Please send completed form to T.Chynoweth@manchesterwomensaid.org

Full Name:	
E-mail Address:	
Tell us a little about yourself (c. 200 words)	
Why do you want to be involved in the Some Women project? (c. 200 words)	
Are there particular skills you would need training in to help with the project?	
Would you want to be involved in a project exhibition in November?	
Please give an example of an event that you would like to be included in the Some Women archive	

By leaving your details you consent to being contacted about the Pankhurst Centre's Some Women Project.

Please tick this box if you would also like to receive information about upcoming events and fundraising activity from the Pankhurst Trust (Incorporating Manchester Women's Aid)