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# Local woman honors women and their history - every month

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Sheryl Entwistle, owner and CEO of the biographical art company, Living Celebrations, honors women through her program, "Masterpieces."

Masterpieces are a person's unique stories and experiences captured visually in a piece of fine art, she explained about her firm.

For National Women's History Month, established in 1987, which seeks to honor accomplishments of women in all facets of life, Entwistle said she wants to promote women's stories.

"We lose our stories," Entwistle said because information has become so prevalent in our lives.

She added that "anyone can look up Whoopi Goldberg's real name, but no one knows the name of her great-grandmother."

For her, it is time to tell these personal stories and bring them to the forefront. She said that National Women's History Month is about recognizing and owning the legacies and heritages that women have passed on, because it is those accomplishments that women today build on.

Entwistle cited her own grandmother as being an inspiration to her. She said her grandmother worked for the federal government, was involved in the community, and was a businesswoman.

Entwistle said she realized her grandmother was "doing these things and so could I."

Following in her grandmother's footsteps, Entwistle is a chartered businesswoman, who



Sheryl Entwistle

has been running Living Celebrations for the past four years.

She urges women to become mentors to the next generation, and nurture future girls and their ambitions.

In the spirit of National Women's History Month, Entwistle urges visits to art museums, concerts, and public readings that feature women.

"Women's History Month is not just a time to reflect on the accomplishments of women in history past. It's also time to celebrate modern women," she said.

She added that it is the real women living today, both famous and not so famous, who will inspire the younger generation the most.

She calls for both men and women to give daily encouragement to the women in their lives, because then "you are not only promoting that woman, but also any young girl who looks up to her as role model."

"We're making history right now. Women today are pioneering for us. History is what we're doing now," she said.