The Unsung Heroine Behind the New Deal: a historical portrayal of Frances Perkins by Janet Parnes

Frances Perkins' rocky road to Washington. She was the architect of Social Security, the first female in the US Cabinet, and an object of admiration and contempt from her male colleagues. Frances Perkins was an unstoppable force in advocating safety and justice for working adults, children, and retirees.

Walk with Frances as this Massachusetts native celebrates hard-won victories, ploughs through political quagmires, and fineses gender-related quandaries in her mission to make government an ally of exploited workers, and forgotten retirees.

Janet Parnes has been delighting audiences with her portrayals of underappreciated American women (and events) for over 15 years. Her extensive research, attention to detail, and writing talent result in historically accurate performances that are as informative as they are immersive. She has performed at the Massachusetts State House, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library & Museum, the Longfellow's Wayside Inn, and numerous other libraries, senior centers, schools, and museums. She is a proud member of Solo Together, a group of solo performers who can be seen nationally.

This program is intended for adults.

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