



June Jordan was a Caribbean-American poet, teacher, and activist who used her writing to discuss issues of gender, race, immigration, and representation.

As an entrepreneur and civil rights activist, **Mary Ellen Pleasant** made a name and a fortune for herself in Gold Rush-era San Francisco, shattering racial taboos.



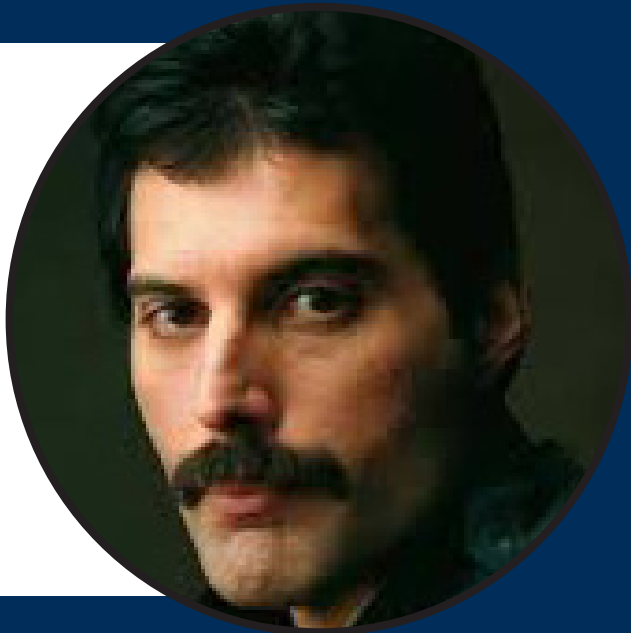
Bayard Rustin was an American leader for civil rights, gay rights, and working class rights. He helped to orchestrate the March on Washington.

Rodrigue Mugaruka Katembo is a park ranger from the Democratic Republic of the Congo who won a 2017 Goldman Environmental Prize for his work protecting Virunga National Park.



Kathryn Winogura is a local humanitarian and immigrants' rights advocate. Along with the JFCS East Bay, she raised \$50,000 for refugee resettlement.

Musician, gender visionary and gay rights hero, **Freddie Mercury** was a British singer, songwriter, and record producer best known as the lead vocalist of the rock band Queen.



South Korean pastor **Lee Jong-rak** invented the "baby hatch," a warm box in the wall with a motion detector that allows people who cannot take care of their babies to leave them anonymously and safely.

Fannie Lou Hamer was an American voting rights activist who bravely encouraged and helped thousands of African-Americans in Mississippi to become registered voters in the face of violence and intimidation.



Wendy Batterson is a San Diego native and political activist who works on behalf of immigrants. She has been a central force for bringing asylum seekers from Central America into California.

Ed Lee served as the 43rd Mayor of San Francisco and was the first Asian American to hold the office. He was a champion for affordable housing and a higher minimum wage.



In 1944, **Irene Morgan Kikaldy** refused to give up her seat for a white couple on a Greyhound bus. Her action led to the 1946 Supreme Court ruling that enforcing segregation on interstate buses was unconstitutional.

The Parkland students have brought voice to ending gun violence in this country and reinvigorated a youth changemaking movement in this country.





Giselle Burgess began Girl Scout Troup 6000 out of a Sleep Inn in New York that has been turned into a 10-floor homeless shelter that serves 100 homeless families.



Fred Korematsu was an American civil rights activist who objected to the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II.



Alma Woodsey Thomas was an Expressionist painter. At age 80, she was the first African-American woman to receive a solo exhibition at New York's Whitney Museum.



Xiuhtezcatl Martinez is an indigenous environmental activist, hip hop artist, and youth director of Earth Guardians, a worldwide conservation organization.



Julia Butterfly is an environmental activist best known for having lived in a 180-foot-tall, 1500-year-old California redwood tree for 738 days to prevent loggers from cutting it down.



At age 8, **Mari Copeny** brought attention to the water supply crisis in Flint, Michigan with a heartfelt letter to then-President Obama that garnered national attention.



Beloved keeper of The Berkeley School space, **Yuren Lin** has been a part of our school community for more than 20 years and we wouldn't be who we are without him!!



Irena Sendler was a Polish social worker who helped smuggle Jewish children out of harm's way in German-occupied Warsaw during WWII.



Habiba Mohammed is a teacher and the Co-director of Centre for Girls' Education, dedicated to providing educational opportunities for girls in Nigeria.



Randy Shaw is a tenants rights activist from Berkeley who helped fight on behalf of residents of the Tenderloin's against luxury hotel development.



Mother Mary Ann Wright was a food security activist and humanitarian from Oakland who fed more than 450 people a day on a budget of \$137,000 a year.



Ericka Huggins is a human rights activist, poet, educator, and former Black Panther leader. She is currently a facilitator of the World Trust organization.