



Making Your Contribution to Miss Columbia's Trip

HOW TO BECOME PART OF HISTORY

Part of the learning and adventure inherent in hosting Miss Columbia at your school will come from making a contribution to her voyage. While you are free to pick and choose from among the many activities in this Guide, we do ask that host schools at a minimum complete the following basic activities:

1. **Let your world see Miss Columbia.** Please display Miss Columbia and the other items that accompany her when she visits your school, so that as many children, parents, teachers, and others in your community can come to meet her and feel that they are part of this history-making project.
2. **Make a journal entry.** Please select a group of students to submit an entry (in your own language, with an English translation) in Miss Columbia's hardbound journal. This journal will document her visit to each site and will serve as a vehicle for information-sharing during her later visits. It will become part of the permanent collection at the Wenham Museum, and may ultimately become published in book form.

Ask students to think creatively about their entry. What made Miss Columbia's appearance at their school special? What did they and their classmates think of her and the story of her 100-year-old predecessor? How was her visit to their school different from those chronicled by other students before them? Can they think of one especially interesting story they can tell about her visit? (See Activity 4.3.3 for more ideas.) And if your school has access to the World Wide Web, please have your students post this journal entry in the journal section of Miss Columbia's website — www.wenhammuseum.org.

3. **Contribute to the Miss Columbia Web site.** This site (www.wenhammuseum.org) will serve as the main "engine" for global communication about Miss Columbia's journey. You'll find easy ways at the site for you to contribute stories and anecdotes about Miss Columbia's visit to your school—and you'll want to read the submissions sent in from other host sites and use the site to keep track of her continuing progress around the world.



4. **Send us a paper doll.** We are hoping to build one of the world's largest collections of paper dolls (if not the largest) as one of the "treasures" resulting from this project. Please ask one or more art classes at your school to do the Paper Doll activity (Activity 4.2.3). Send us a small sampling of the dolls you would like to have represent your school and community in this exhibit. Please mail your paper dolls to the Wenham Museum, 132 Main Street, Wenham MA 01984, USA.
5. **Present a gift to Miss Columbia.** Please add something to Miss Columbia's treasure-chest of souvenirs and remembrances from all of the places she visits around the globe. This gift should be inexpensive and should represent something special about your community. All gifts will be displayed as part of the Miss Columbia exhibit at the Wenham Museum following her return, and will become the property of the Wenham Museum. Your gift can be mailed along with your paper doll to the Museum.

WHAT'S IN MISS COLUMBIA'S "STEAMER TRUNK"

- ◆ Miss Columbia 1900 (a replica of the original, which is being kept safe and sound at the Wenham Museum)
- ◆ Miss Columbia 2000
- ◆ Map of the 1900-1902 Journey
- ◆ Map of the 1999-2002 Itinerary (confirmed and proposed)
- ◆ Pictures of souvenirs and artifacts given to the original Miss Columbia
- ◆ Miss Columbia's Year 2000 Journal
- ◆ Miss Columbia's Passport

