# Exhibition guide Ann Telnaes & Liza Donnelly

# **Unarmed Truth**



06/06/2002



#### 10/12/2005

At the time, the Bush administration was facing growing criticism over the Iraq war and the use of patriotism to justify contested actions.



#### 31/06/2006

In January 2006, President George W. Bush came under fire for his handling of homeland security, particularly with the revelations of domestic spying by the NSA.



#### 18/05/2018, Medium

Drawing in response to the school shooting in Santa Fe, Texas, 05/18/2018.



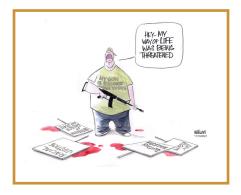
29/05/2020, Medium

Protest following the death of George Floyd.



25/06/2021, The Washington Post

According to Ann Telnaes, Republicans are not only mocking the truth, but also whitewashing history.



19/11/2021, The Washington Post

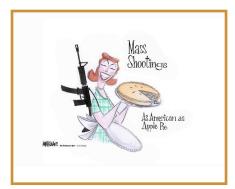
Kyle Rittenhouse, a 17-year-old teenager, shot three people, killing two, during protests in Kenosha in August 2020, claiming to be acting in self-defense. His high-profile trial ended in November 2021 with an acquittal on all charges, triggering divided reactions in the United States. The case fueled debates on gun ownership, self-defense and racial tensions in the country.



30/01/2022, The Washington Post

In the U.S, children's exposure to profanity, nudity and offensive words still provokes outrage. The same cannot be said for violence.

On January 10, 2022, the McMinn County School Board in eastern Tennessee decided to remove Maus from its school curriculum, just as To Kill a Mocking Bird had been in 2017.



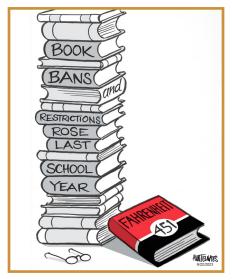
#### 31/05/2022, The Washington Post

Even after the horrific elementary school shooting in Uvable, Texas, which killed 19 children and 2 adults, at least 12 mass shootings took place over the Memorial Day weekend.



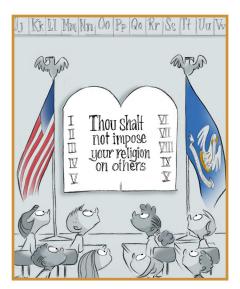
#### 09/03/2023, The Washington Post

Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders signs law easing protections for child workers. The law signed by Sarah Huckabee Sanders in Arkansas removes the requirement for 14 and 15 year olds to obtain a work permit, reducing protections against exploitation. This reform is part of a broader trend in the United States, where several states are easing restrictions on underage work.



#### 19/06/2024, The Washington Post

Book bans and restrictions increased last school year.Next to this pile, a book fell to the floor: Fahrenheit 451, a dystopian novel by Ray Bradbury about a future where books are banned and burned by the government.In recent years, debates about book censorship in American schools have intensified, with bans targeting works dealing with race, gender, history and LGBTQ+ rights.



#### 19/06/2024, The Washington Post

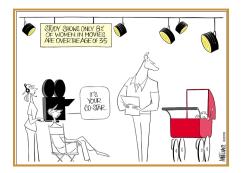
On Wednesday June 19, Louisiana became the first U.S. state to enshrine in law the requirement to display the Ten Commandments in all public school classrooms, from kindergarten to university, by early 2025.

# **Nasty Woman**



17/06/2003

Almost two years after the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, President George W. Bush, without the support of the United Nations, is sending troops to Iraq.self-defense and racial tensions in the country.



20/08/2003

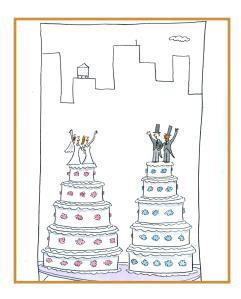
A study shows that only 8% of women in films are over 35.



21/11/2003



2013, The Nib



2013, Forbes

In June 2013, the U.S. Supreme Court validated same-sex marriage in California, overturning an unconstitutional amendment.



2015, New York Times Newsletter

With this drawing, Liza Donnelly denounces unconscious bias.

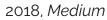


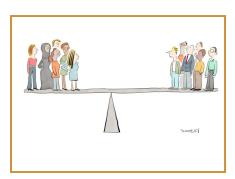
2015, The Nib



2017, Medium

The #MeToo movement is a social movement encouraging women to speak out, with the aim of spreading the word that rape and sexual assault are more common than is often assumed, and enabling victims to speak out on the subject. It is sometimes presented as having started in 2007, but has only become particularly well known since October 2017 following the Harvey Weinstein affair.







17/08/2020, The Washington Post

August 18, 2020 is the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment, granting American women the right to vote.



22/03/2021, The Washington Post

The Virgin and ChildMadame X (Sargent)Les demoiselles d'Avignon (Picasso)Whisler's Mother (Whisler)The paintings depict classical female figures, often associated with traditional or idealized roles.



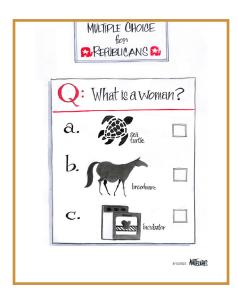
22/03/2021

Ironic drawing on the place of women in government.



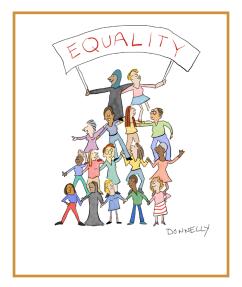
05/2022, Medium

Drawing made against the forthcoming decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on the repeal of Roe v. Wade, which will be adopted on 24/06/2022. This ruling legalized abortion in the United States since 1973.

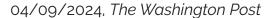


13/05/2022, The Washington Post

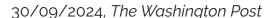
This question was posed by Republican senators (Senator Marsha Blackburn) during the confirmation hearings of Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson to the U.S. Supreme Court in March 2022.



2024, Medium & Substack







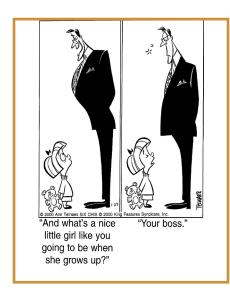


# WERE NOT GOING BACK!

#### 07/08/2024, The Washington Post

The various female figures from the past represent different eras and struggles for women's rights: A woman in a bonnet and apron, symbolizing the first generations of women relegated to domestic tasks. A suffragette holding a "Suffrage" sign, representing the struggle for the right to vote in the early 20 century. A woman from the 1940s-50s, probably a war worker (Rosie the Riveter style). A 1950s housewife with a spatula, embodying the traditional roles imposed on women at the time. An activist from the 1960s-70s wearing a peace symbol, representing the feminist and civil rights movement. The evolution of women's roles and rights throughout American history. Women's gains must not be called into question, especially in a context where debates (such as those on abortion or equal pay) remain topical. Kamala Harris, center, suggests that she is a key figure in this struggle for progress and female emancipation.

# When I Grow up



#### 27/01/2000

The man seems to assume that the little girl will choose a traditionally feminine or subordinate profession. But his straightforward response overturns expectations and puts forward the idea of emancipation and gender equality in the professional world.



#### 2010

Drawing from a series done during his TED Talk "Drawing on Humor for Change".



#### 2012

A drawing from a series produced during his TED Talk "Rendering the Unspoken".



2014, MSNBC



#### 2018, The Nation



2021, Medium & Substack



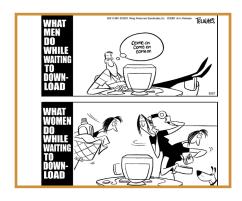
02/2022



30.01.2025, Medium

Drawing made after Robert F. Kennedy Jr. was appointed Secretary of Health.

# My Body My Choice



21/06/2001



#### 02/10/2004

During the Iraq war, George W. Bush waged a "war" on women's rights, and according to Ann Telnaes, the Bush administration focused on restricting women's reproductive rights rather than prioritizing other more urgent and legitimate issues.

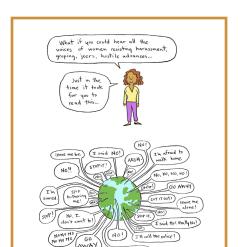


#### 24/02/2005

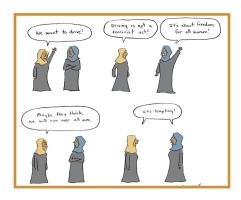
Larry Summers suggests that one of the reasons why there are relatively few women in top positions in science may be "intrinsic aptitude issues". Although he acknowledges the existence of discrimination, he generally downplays its importance.



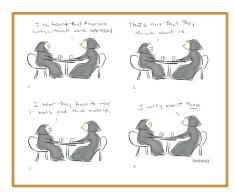
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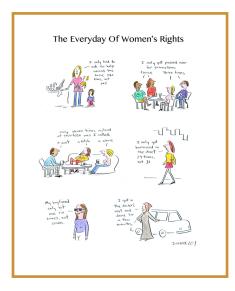
2012, The Nib



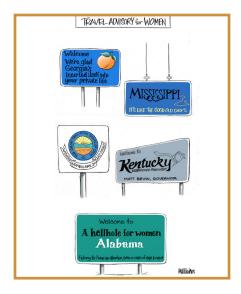
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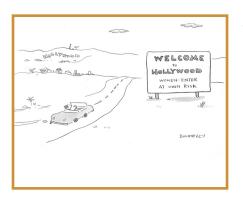


2014, Forbes Magazine



14/05/2019, The Washington Post

Encouraged by a more conservative Supreme Court, states are pushing to ban abortion.

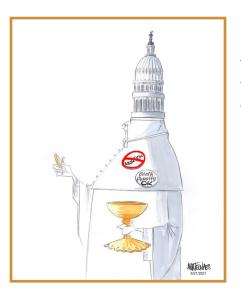


06/2020



17/07/2020, The Washington Post

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was a member of the US Supreme Court from 1993 to 2020, the second woman to be appointed to the highest federal court. She adopted resolutely progressive positions, defending the causes of women, minorities and the environment all her life. She died on September 18, 2020.



21/06/2021, The Washington Post

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has waded into abortion politics by supporting a measure that could lead to prochoice Catholics being denied communion.



10/05/2022, The Washington Post

The Senate passes a bill strengthening the security of Supreme Court justices. This is a bill passed by the US Senate aimed at strengthening the security of Supreme Court justices, particularly after a rise in tensions and threats against them. The bill, known as the "Supreme Court Police Parity Act", was proposed in May 2022 after the leak of a draft decision suggesting that the Court might overturn Roe v. Wade, the ruling guaranteeing abortion rights.



27/11/2022, The Washington Post

Anti-abortion Republicans plan to prevent women from crossing state lines for abortions..



27/06/2022

«When the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade, I felt sickened. I've done many press cartoons on women's rights; this time, I felt a strong urge to express outrage, fear and sadness. I could have attacked anti-abortion activists, ridiculed judges who lied to us, attacked the Americans who brought Trump to power or those who didn't vote in 2016 because a woman was running. I could have drawn women screaming at the top of their lungs for freedom. I chose to go with what came first in my mind: fear for our democracy. Lady Liberty represents the best of ourselves, a symbol of justice, freedom and equality. Like me, I imagined that she had felt kicked in the stomach, unbalanced, suffering, insulted and dejected. Yet, like so many other women, Lady Liberty will once again stand strong for the principles on which our country was founded.»

#### 01/04/2023, The Washington Post





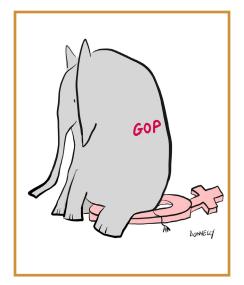
#### 15/09/2023, The Washington Post

These terms symbolize the multiple forms of control and discrimination suffered by women in different societies. During this period, debates took place on women's rights, abortion bans in certain countries or states, and struggles against gender discrimination and violence...



#### 11/04/2023, The Washington Post

Ronna McDaniel, former chairwoman of the Republican National Committee (RNC), who talks about a "communication problem" on abortion, suggesting that the Republican Party's problem isn't the restriction of rights, but the way it talks about them. On the iconic costume from The Handmaid's Tale, a dystopia by Margaret Atwood where women are reduced to reproductive objects and deprived of their basic rights, we see yellow smileys, an attempt to embellish an oppressive reality.



2024, Medium & Substack

The Republican Party (represented by an elephant) prepares for the elections by sitting on women's rights.



03/05/2024, The Washington Post

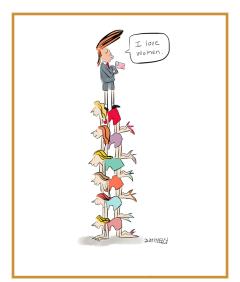
The impact of abortion bans and the role of politicians in imposing laws can have serious, even fatal, consequences for women. The drawing highlights the absurdity and cruelty of certain legislative restrictions that ignore the medical and humanitarian risks.

# **Trump Fiction**



08/10/2016, The Washington Post

Donald Trump has repeatedly claimed that "nobody has more respect for women" than he does. In 2005, the billionaire was caught up in obscene remarks about women in which he said he could do "whatever he wants" with women. Including "grab them by the pussy".



14.05.2016, *Medium* 

J'aime les femmes.



23/01/2017, The Washington Post

On his first day as president in 2017, Donald Trump complained that the crowds at his inauguration were much larger than advertised. By comparison, women's marches in many cities around the world drew huge crowds.

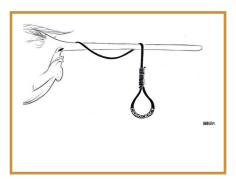


#### 26/11/2018, The Washington Post

The construction of a wall on the Mexican border and the closure of reception offices are designed to maintain the support of the president's base.

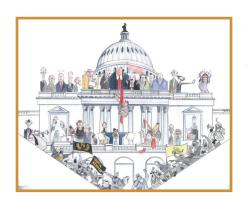


08/2020. Medium & Substack



#### 29/09/2021, The Washington Post

Trump lies, democracy dies. The 2021 Arizona ballot audit, initiated by Republicans, confirmed Joe Biden's victory by an even wider margin. Despite this, Donald Trump continued to claim he had won, and his supporters continued their efforts to question the integrity of future elections. The audit was controversial because of Trump's previous attempts to invalidate the election and accusations of irregularities in the recount process, leading to it being seen as a disinformation operation.



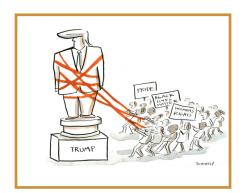
#### 05/01/2022, The Washington Post

On January 6, 2021, a crowd cheered on by Donald Trump stormed the U.S. Capitol.



#### 05/01/2022, The Washington Post

We recognize several Republican Party figures, including Ted Cruz (suitcase with a "Cruz" label), and other political figures known for their support of Trump. Another figure holds a gavel marked "15", a possible reference to the 15th Amendment or a Trump-related legislative issue. The characters have blank, dark eyes, giving them the appearance of blind followers or zombies.

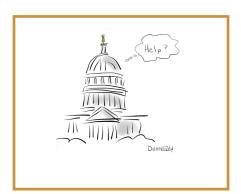


06/2022, Medium & Substack



#### 2023, Medium & Substack

The Mueller report is a 448-page document called Russiagate: "The Russian government radically and systematically interfered in the (US) 2016 presidential election." In March 2019, Trump is cleared by the Attorney General. In 2021, the American media will do their mea culpa on the handling of this affair.



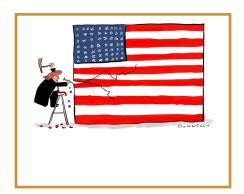
#### 2024, Medium & Substack

This drawing is part of a series on the Capitol.



#### 23.01.2024, Substack

«Trump is a malicious Pied Piper. We all vaguely know the story of the Pied Piper, but I checked to make sure. The Meriam-Webster dictionary defines a Pied Piper as "someone who offers a strong but illusory appeal". And of course, I added to the imagery by making MAGA followers sheep.»

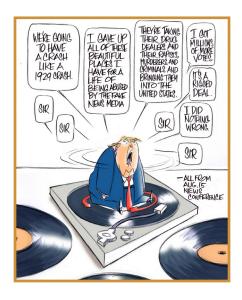


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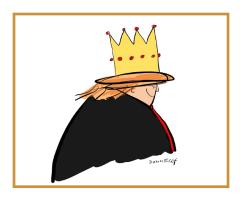
#### 23/02/2024, Medium

«Trump will take away our rights as women, blacks, immigrants, LGBTQ+, anyone who isn't white and Christian. He'll deport whoever he wants if he becomes president. If you don't praise him, if you don't say you believe what he believes, if you don't agree with him, he will run you over.»



#### 16/08/2024, The Washington Post

Trump is depicted as a broken record, repeating over and over iconic statements he made at a press conference on August 15, 2024. The text bubbles repeat several of his typical statements.



#### 1.07.2024, Medium

Following the trial on the January 6 insurrection, Judge Sotomayor wrote: "The Court is effectively creating a lawless zone around the president, upsetting the status quo that has existed since the founding." She added: "The president is now a king above the law".



#### 29.08.2024, *Medium & Substack*

«I woke up this morning furious that the Republican presidential candidate is still treated like a normal person, a normal candidate. I came up with this drawing with no disrespect for people in therapy, including myself.»



#### 20/06/2018

Under the 1st Trump presidency, nearly 4,000 undocumented migrant children have been separated from their families.



#### 23/08/2024, The Washington Post

Ann Telnaes shares the excitement of the Democratic National Committee, adding a pinch of feminine pride to the contrast between joyous celebration and sour fear that drives the Grand Old Party campaign.



01/11/2024, The Washington Post

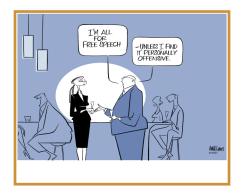
Before Election Day on November 4, the Statue of Liberty consults the polls.

### Fake News? Real Issues!



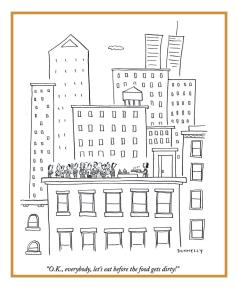
#### 02/10/2004

Published in 2004, an election year in the United States (Bush vs. Kerry). This cartoon illustrates the danger of partial information and underlines the importance of diversifying one's sources to be a well-informed voter.



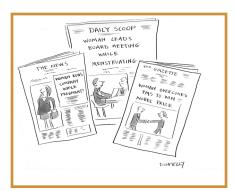
#### 16/04/2007

The inconsistency between principle and reality in discussions of freedom of expression remains highly relevant to contemporary debates on the subject.



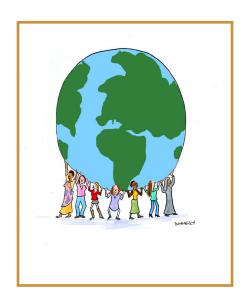
2001. The New Yorker



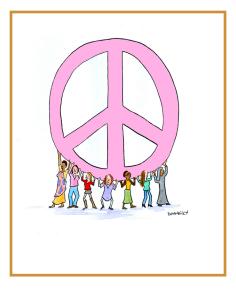




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2015, Moms clean Air Force



02/12/2013, Cartooning for Peace

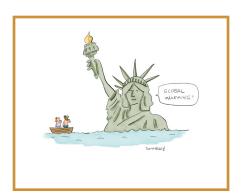


20.12.2021, Medium

"My favorite places to create and say things in a drawing are the Sabrette hot dog stand, the swing set and the sandbox."



20/05/2022, Substack

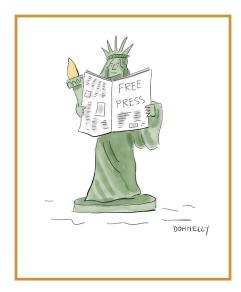


21/03/2023 Substack



2023, Substack

Making peace is an art, says Liza Donnelly



03/05/2023, Medium

A drawing for International Press Day.



07/02/2025, Medium & Substack



08/02/2025, Substack

«Needless to say, it's a stressful time. But we have to keep laughing.» Liza Donnelly at the Sabrette stand, #1 hot dog in New York.

# **Videos**

Ann Telnaes : drawings for the Los Angeles Times that won him the Pulizer Prize for Editorial

Cartooning in 2001.

Duration: 2 min 47

Liza Donnelly: Film about Live Drawing work.

Duration: 17 min 24