

Lynn Ruehlmann & Megan Hicks

together for the first time

present

"DISCORDANT BELLES"

Stories from two unconventional women of the Civil War

Bring the Civil War to life for your audiences!

Meet the "Discordant Belles" --

Elizabeth Van Lew

- *raised in Richmond in a slaveholding family*
- *ardent abolitionist*
- *kept a diary that details her adventures during the war*
- *inadvertently became a Union spy*



Lynn Ruehlmann tells stories through theatrical portrayals of real people in history, real people she has known, and bigger than life characters of myths. Her performances and workshops have taken her to colleges, schools and museums all across the country. Young Audiences of Virginia named her Artist of the Year, she won a Folio award for Best Actress in a Comedy, and the audiobook of her portion of this program, "Spy! The Story of Civil War Spy Elizabeth Van Lew," won two national awards. www.cascadingstories.com

The audience loved the suspense of the story. Lynn did a wonderful job of creating atmosphere and taking her audience back in time. --Norfolk Academy

Martha Stephens

- *loyal daughter of the Confederacy*
- *an outcast of Fredericksburg's society*
- *frontline eyewitness to the carnage of December, 1862*
- *recounts the selfless heroism of "The Angels of Marye's Heights"*

Megan Hicks tells intelligent tales that empower listeners and bring them into the heart of the action. "What Was Civil About that War..." Megan's part of this program, received a Parents' Choice award for teens and older listeners and was named a finalist for The Audies 2005. Named National Storyteller of the Year (2000), her performances and workshops for children and adults have won her an enthusiastic following nationwide. www.meganhicks.com



Not only did this program teach...a great deal about the Civil War, it provided...a stunning example of the art of storytelling. --Waples Mill School

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