

**Poughkeepsie AAUW 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting and Installation of Officers**  
**Guest Speaker Lisa Maatz**  
**Former AAUW Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy**

Register in advance for this meeting:

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**Thursday, June 10, 2021**  
**7 pm on Zoom**

Join us at this culminating event of our AAUW year to **celebrate our accomplishments, honor branch members, approve the budget\* for the coming year, and elect new officers to the 2021-2022 Board\***.



We will also welcome **Lisa Maatz**, former AAUW Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy, as our guest speaker. **She will provide a Washington Update and send us off with ways to support the national organization and advocate for public policy issues that align with the AAUW mission.**

A sought-after speaker, Ms. Maatz served from 2002 to 2017 as AAUW's top policy adviser. In this role and in partnership with other organizations, she worked to advance AAUW's priority issues on Capitol Hill and in the White House. At the same time, she spent sixteen months serving as the interim director of the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund.

Noted for her strategic approach to legislation and advocacy, Lisa has directed several successful, multifaceted coalition efforts organizing around issues such as higher education, K-12 education, voting rights, equal pay, ending gender-based violence, educational equity and Title IX, career & technical education, girl's issues, hate crimes, STEM, workplace opportunity, retirement security, healthcare, climate change, and Get Out to Vote (GOTV) efforts. She cites women's rights as her specialty.

Lisa Maatz's nonprofit career began when she was the Executive Director of Turning Point, a battered women's program recognized for excellence by the Ohio Supreme Court. She is currently a Senior Advisor with Ohio Citizen Action which organizes and mobilizes people to advocate for public interests. In person, by phone, and online, the organization works to engage people in actions that protect public health, improve environmental quality, and benefit consumers. She is also a freelance Community Manager Online for Real Voices Media, a company that sees a future where community members offer support, share ideas, and discuss the important issues of the day through civil dialogue and authentic storytelling. Real Voices Media teaches storytelling around the country.

Ms. Maatz is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Ohio University and has two master's degrees from Ohio State. Honors she has received include the National Committee on Pay Equity's Winn Newman Advocacy Award (2013), National Association of Partnerships in Equity's first-ever Public Policy Advocate for Equity Award (2012) and the U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce's 10th anniversary Trailblazer Award (2011). Lisa has also received the Women's Information Network's Karen Mulhauser Award (2010) for mentoring and service, and WIN's Young Woman of Achievement Award (2001). She was a recipient of the Mentor Award from the Public Leadership Education Network (2003), awarded a Congressional Fellowship in Women and Public Policy from the Women's Research and Education Institute (1997,) and was a mayoral appointee to the Washington, D.C., Commission on Women (2006–10). Ms. Maatz was also featured in the book *Secrets of Powerful Women*.

\*see *The Branch*, June 2021 at <https://poughkeepsie-ny.aauw.net>

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