



# Plus Size Women in History

Costume College 2023

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# Time Periods in focus

- Renaissance
- 1600s
- 1700s
- Regency
- Early Victorian
- Late Victorian
- Edwardian
- 1920s
- 1930s



# Renaissance

How we love the Italian Renaissance women, let me count the ways!









































LYCRETIA RICASOLI.

DEL CONTE A SANSECO









Georgian



























































# Regency











































































































A.P. Webb & Co. Youngstown, O.



































































































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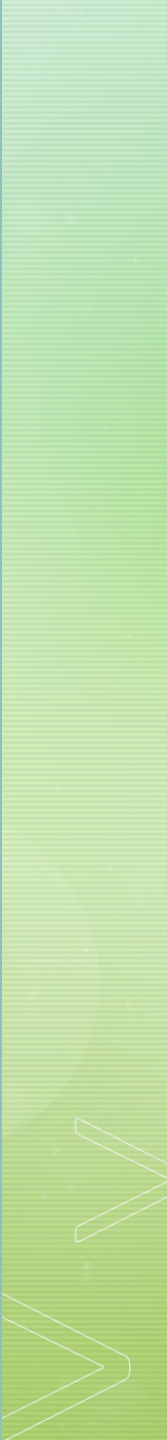




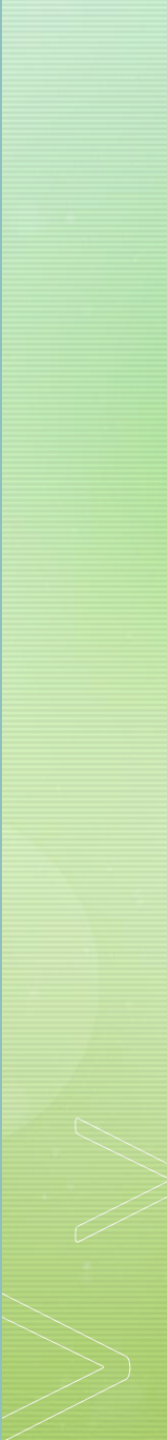














Smart  
Styles  
Each in  
Two Distinct  
Proportions

For the  
Short Stout  
Woman  
and the  
Average and  
Taller Stout  
Woman

Designed So  
the Bust Line,  
Waist and  
Hip Line, and  
Length Come  
in the  
Correct Place  
On Each Figure



is an Unusual  
dress Value

no reason why you  
can't be Easter! Even  
the large and tall!

3 5 323  
48 INCHES LONG  
FOR SHORT  
STOUT WOMEN  
3 5 324  
51 INCHES LONG  
FOR AVERAGE  
AND TALLER  
STOUT WOMEN

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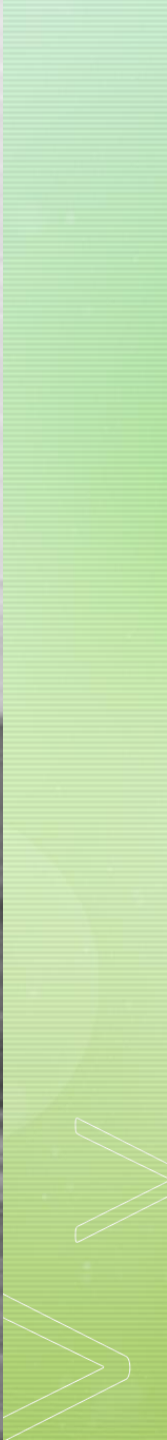


















JD Doyle  
Collection

Gladys  
Bentley











# 1940s Plus Size Fashion Advice

- \* A-line Dresses
- \* Matte fabrics
- \* No collars
- \* V or sweetheart neckline
- \* Small prints, dark colors
- \* Matching belts
- \* Pleated skirts
- \* Long sleeves, no cuffs
- \* Tall hats, small brims
- \* Large accessories
- \* Sturdy shoes

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