

A History Of Protest Apparel

From suffragette white to "pussy hats" to hoodies, clothing (or the lack thereof) has a long history as a protest tool. Because fashion often plays an instrumental role in re-affirming social norms, it is simultaneously a powerful vehicle for social change. Art historian Quentin Bell once wrote, "The history of dress is a history of protests."

In this hour-long online class, artist and curator Suzanne Zoe Joskow will present fashions from the past as a jumping off point for students to design their own protest-wear relevant to today. We will also be discussing the "sustainable fashion" movement, as well as Jewish symbolic and statement clothing.

