

Katherine Wright graduated from Oberlin in 1898 (neither of her brothers graduated from high school). She played a HUGE role in developing the first airplane with her brothers.



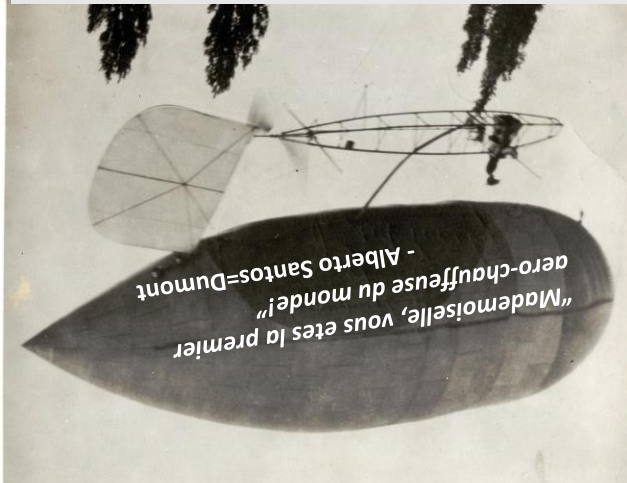
We really should talk about the Wright Siblings, not the Wright Brothers!

"If ever the world thinks of us in connection with aviation, it must remember our sister."
- Wilbur Wright



Who taught Orville & Wilbur how to use tools? Their mom, Susan Wright (1831 - 1889)

Her parents were horrified and made sure she told nobody, because "no man would want to marry a woman who had done such a thing."

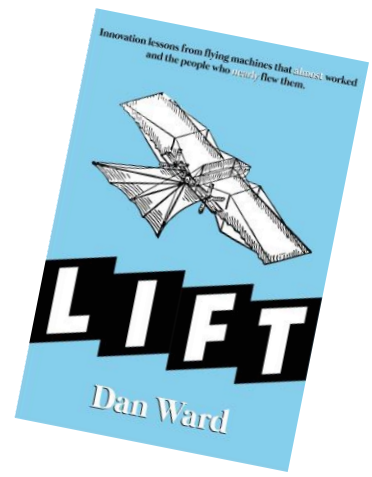


Aida de Acosta, the first woman to fly a dirigible (1903)... and the only person Alberto Santos-Dumont ever allowed to do so!

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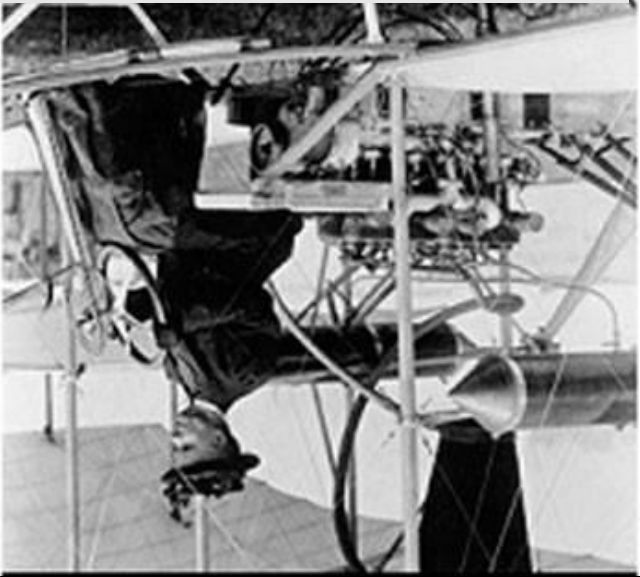


Learn more about these women in Dan Ward's new book LIFT!

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Rossa Richter, aka Zazel, the FIRST human cannonball performer, began at age 14. She's not in the book, but I think she's amazing



Emma Lilian Todd - The first woman to design & build an airplane (1909). She was too small to actually fly it, so a male friend sat in as the test pilot.



Catherine Lilienthal
1825 - 1872

"Our mother fostered in every way our mechanical proclivities..."

- Otto Lilienthal