



Founding Friendships: Friendships between Men and Women in the Early American Republic (Paperback)

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Oxford University Press Inc, United States, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . This book usually ship within 10-15 business days and we will endeavor to dispatch orders quicker than this where possible. Brand New Book. When Harry Met Sally is only the most iconic of popular American movies, books, and articles that pose the question of whether friendships between men and women are possible. In *Founding Friendships*, Cassandra A. Good shows that this question was embedded in and debated as far back as the birth of the American nation. Indeed, many of the nation's founding fathers had female friends but popular rhetoric held that these relationships were fraught with social danger, if not impossible. Elite men and women formed loving, politically significant friendships in the early national period that were crucial to the individuals lives as well as the formation of a new national political system, as Cassandra Good illuminates. Abigail Adams called her friend Thomas Jefferson one of the choice ones on earth, while George Washington signed a letter to his friend Elizabeth Powel with the words I am always Yours. Their emotionally rich language is often mistaken for romance, but by analyzing period letters, diaries,...

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