

10 Million Names



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339 Manumissions and Beyond Project

The 339 Manumissions and Beyond Project is a reparative, spirit-led genealogical and family history initiative researching the lives and descendants of people emancipated by Quaker enslavers in early America. In partnership with 10 Million Names, the project is documenting family histories, expanding access to records, and reconnecting descendants with ancestors long obscured from the historical record. Researchers are populating spreadsheets and family trees with the information on the more than 500 enslaved individuals that have been thus far identified. It has started with the Philadelphia area but will expand to other areas over the years. An independent public facing website is being built which will also include historical context materials. For now, progress can be tracked on the organization's [website](#).



ABCNews

ABC News is the news division of the American television network ABC. Its flagship program is the daily evening newscast *ABC World News Tonight with David Muir*; other programs include morning news-talk show *Good Morning America*, *Nightline*, *Primetime*, and *20/20*, and Sunday morning political affairs program *This Week with George Stephanopoulos*.

In addition to the division's television programs, ABC News has radio and digital outlets, including ABC News Radio and ABC News Live, plus various podcasts hosted by ABC News personalities. [Learn more.](#)



Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc.

The Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. (AAHGS) is a non-profit 501(c)3, which strives to preserve African-ancestored family history, genealogy, and cultural diversity by teaching research techniques and disseminating information throughout the community. Our primary goals are to promote scholarly research, provide resources for historical and genealogical studies, create a network of persons with similar interests, and assist members in documenting their histories.

AAHGS was founded in 1977 in Washington, DC by a small group of historians and genealogists, who felt a need to share resources and methodology for pursuing historical and genealogical research. For more than 46 years, our members have worked together to trace the historical ties that bind us one to another, mold the present, and shape the future. We operate as a national organization with 35 local chapters nationwide. [Learn more.](#)

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AVERY RESEARCH CENTER
FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN
HISTORY AND CULTURE

Avery Research Center for African American History and Culture at the College of Charleston

Avery Research Center, a culturally diverse, comprehensive, research-intensive center, provides an exceptional educational and research experience at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Avery Research Center is dedicated to preserving and promoting the history and culture of African Americans and fostering academic and cultural interchange through teaching, research, and community engagement. It remains a vital resource for understanding the history and culture of African Americans, with a particular emphasis on the Lowcountry region and beyond. [Learn more.](#)



California Genealogical Society

The California Genealogical Society, organized in 1898, is based in the San Francisco Bay Area. It helps Californians of all backgrounds trace their family history through its classes, special interest groups, library, digital resources, and research services. [Learn more.](#)



CATHOLIC
CULTURAL CENTER
OF NEW ORLEANS
ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL | OLD URSULINE
CONVENT MUSEUM

Catholic Cultural Center of New Orleans

The Catholic Cultural Center of New Orleans strives to be a premier place for the exhibition, preservation, and discussion of Catholic culture in the southern United States. The Center will leverage the deep history and beauty of its campus at the Cathedral-Basilica of St. Louis, King of France, and the Old Ursuline Convent (the oldest documented structure in the Mississippi River Valley), as well as the unique cultural context of New Orleans. They offer cultural experiences that reflect the faith, creativity, love of beauty, and critical minds of our region and the diversity of the people who built it. They always remain mindful of how their work affects the well-being of the most vulnerable people in their community and beyond.

It is their mission to maintain meaningful spaces in the French Quarter where visitors experience a sense of wonder and leave St. Louis Cathedral and the Old Ursuline Convent as different and better people. They create programs, exhibits, and experiences that educate, inspire, and deepen people's attention to history, culture, truth, beauty, and faith. To be a vital part of the evangelization work of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. [Learn more.](#)

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The Community Foundation for the Virgin Islands

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands was created to serve both donors and nonprofit organizations of the Virgin Islands that want to ensure the highest quality of life for both present and future generations. Its primary goal is to build a growing collection of permanent funds, from which the income is disbursed to institutions and programs whose purpose is to enhance the educational, physical, social, cultural and environmental well-being of the islands' people. CFVI's grant-making from unrestricted sources focuses on innovative programs and projects that show promise of developing into longer-term responses to the needs of children, youth and families in the Virgin Islands. [Learn more.](#)



Daughters of the American Revolution

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) was founded in 1890 to preserve the memory and spirit of those who contributed to securing American independence. DAR is committed to bringing more awareness to Revolutionary War Patriots of all backgrounds as the nation approaches the 250th anniversary of the founding of our country. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from

a Patriot of the American Revolution is eligible for membership. Through the DAR Genealogical Research System (www.dar.org/GRS), the public can access a free database of information amassed by the DAR about these Patriots as well as other valuable resources for family history research. DAR is one of the world's largest and most active women's service organizations with nearly 190,000 current members worldwide. These members passionately carry out the timeless mission of promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism. [Learn more.](#)



FamilySearch

FamilySearch is dedicated to preserving important family records and making them freely accessible online. Our work is worldwide and has involved collaborations with more than 10,000 organizations in over 100 countries.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints provides FamilySearch free of charge to everyone, regardless of tradition, culture, or religious affiliation. FamilySearch resources help millions of people around the world discover their heritage and connect with family members. [Learn more.](#)

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FamousKin.com

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FamousKin.com delves into the world of celebrity ancestry, uncovering the hidden connections that unite us all. In partnership with the 10 Million Names project, FamousKin.com proudly supports the vital work of recovering the identities of enslaved people in America. The goal of this collaboration is to shed light on the shared history that links us, not only to notable figures, but also to those whose stories were long forgotten. By bridging these historical gaps, this collaboration will offer users an exciting opportunity to uncover notable connections to their own family history. Ultimately, FamousKin.com aims to make genealogy fun and engaging, helping people discover surprising connections to both notable figures and their own ancestors. [Learn more.](#)



Fordham University Press

Fordham University Press not only represents and uphold the values and traditions of the University itself but also furthers those values and traditions through the dissemination of scholarly research and ideas. The Press publishes boundary-breaking print and digital books that bring recognition to itself, the University, and authors while balancing the need to publish in new formats and work collaboratively on and off campus. Its regional imprint, Empire State Editions, and location in New York City's Lincoln Center neighborhood reinforce the university's motto, New York is My Campus, Fordham is My School. [Learn more.](#)



The Georgetown Memory Project (GMP)

The GMP is an independent group founded by friends, allies & alumni of Georgetown University, aligned with the Georgetown slaves and their living descendants. The GMP is guided by the Jesuit philosophy of magis (doing more), and committed to the ideals of Truth, Reconciliation & Reunion. [Learn more.](#)



Godfrey Memorial Library

Godfrey Memorial Library (GML) was incorporated as a nonprofit organization in the state of Connecticut in 1947 and first opened its doors in May 1951. GML has designed and launched the Godfrey Scholar, an online research tool that contains searchable databases and digitized content. It is also a Family History Center, a licensed branch of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT. It houses a large physical collection of books, family histories, and other records, as well as an extensive digital collection available online. While on site, visitors can access their physical and digital collections, plus the Library Editions of Ancestry and MyHeritage, as well as the suite of databases on American Ancestors. [Learn more.](#)

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Harvard & the Legacy of Slavery Initiative

Harvard University

Harvard & the Legacy of Slavery (H&LS) Initiative was launched in 2022 to implement the recommendations outlined in the Report of the Presidential Committee on Harvard & the Legacy of Slavery. Its mission is to understand and cast light on Harvard’s legacies of slavery and address enduring consequences through purposeful change, grounded in Harvard’s educational mission and the Report’s recommendations. [Learn more about the H&LS Initiative.](#)

The collaboration with 10 Million Names supports groundbreaking research into Harvard’s historical ties to slavery. Working with American Ancestors through the H&LS Initiative, researchers have identified more than 1,600 individuals enslaved by Harvard leaders, faculty, and staff between 1636 and 1865, while also tracing hundreds of living descendants. The resulting research, database, and family histories will contribute to 10 Million Names’ mission to recover and preserve the identities of enslaved African Americans and reconnect families across generations. [Learn more about the collaboration.](#)



HEARTS

HEARTS (History, Ecology, Arts, Reunion, Trails, Store) is a nonprofit dedicated to weaving the threads of people, places, and things together into a vibrant interconnected tapestry of our region’s historical identity. The project began with the National Register property Cedar Grove in Huntersville, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina,

presenting an inclusive space celebrating the site’s whole history, and has since expanded into a comprehensive project serving the Catawba Valley region.

The Reunion Project is the “R” in HEARTS and provides an important genealogical component with the mission to connect descendants of historic sites. This land was once home to indigenous people, European colonists, enslaved people, and tenant farmers. Through the Reunion Project, we seek stories and connections with all those who once called this place home, bridging connections and building community. In June of 2024, the Reunion Project honored the memories of the 143 individuals once enslaved at Cedar Grove by recovering their histories, connecting descendants with their heritage, and contributing to the preservation of narratives of all enslaved African descendants in America. We are honored to share HEARTS Reunion Project findings with the 10 Million Names Project. [Learn more.](#)



Heritage Library Foundation

The Heritage Library offers research assistance on ancestry in addition to classes and tours focused on Hilton Head Island’s history from prehistory to the modern era. It owns two historic sites, Ft. Mitchel in Hilton Head Plantation and the Historic Zion Cemetery & Baynard Mausoleum. The library houses a wealth of historical information, old photographs, and maps of Hilton Head Island and the Lowcountry, including 71 audiocassette tapes, recorded between 1989 and 1994 by Hilton Head High School students, in partnership with what was then the Museum of Hilton Head Island. The

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interviews feature prominent local islanders with stories to tell of the island's past and current events including modern development. [Learn more.](#)



Historic Sotterley

A National Historic Landmark and a UNESCO Site of Memory for the Routes of Enslaved Peoples, Historic Sotterley is one of the oldest museums of its kind in the United States, with a history dating back to the turn of the 18th Century. Through the preservation of the site's historic structures and natural environment and the use of powerful stories to educate and bring American history to life, the organization strives to foster a better understanding of our world today by providing a living link to America's complex history and legacy of slavery. Through the preservation of our historic structures and nature environment and the use of powerful stories to educate and bring American history to life, we strive to foster a better understanding of the world today by providing a living link to America's history. [Learn more.](#)



Howard University

Howard University is a historically Black, research-intensive university committed to academic excellence and leadership. It emphasizes educational opportunities for Black students and fosters a distinguished, socially aware faculty. Student interns will support The Treasury of the Weary Souls, a groundbreaking resource documenting the history of slave insurance—from policies on enslaved people as cargo to those insuring workers in America's most dangerous

industries. The database includes over 1,300 policy records and exposes how financial firms profited from these practices into the 20th century. Howard students will help expand the dataset by identifying and adding the names of enslaved individuals. [Learn more.](#)



**INTERNATIONAL
AFRICAN AMERICAN
MUSEUM**

International African American Museum

The Center for Family History (CFH) at the International African American Museum (IAAM) is dedicated to helping individuals uncover and connect with their African American ancestry. Through expert guidance and access to unique resources, CFH empowers researchers at all levels—from beginners to advanced genealogists—to explore their family histories. IAAM provides access to an expanding collection of digital African American primary sources, created by, from, and about the African American community. [Learn more.](#)



Mother Emanuel AME Church

Mother Emanuel AMEC is a church in Charleston, South Carolina, founded in 1817. It is the oldest AME church in the Southern United States; founded the previous year in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, AME was the first independent black denomination in the nation. Mother Emanuel AME Church houses numerous boxes of historical church materials and records requiring archival processing, organization,

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and rehousing in archival-quality storage. To enhance access to these significant collections, a detailed finding aid must be developed.

The Avery Research Center for African American History and Culture trains students in archival best practices. Leveraging this expertise, Avery Research Center staff will identify two undergraduate students to process the collections at Mother Emanuel AME Church during the 2026-2028 academic year. [Learn more.](#)



Free Public Library

New Bedford Free Public Library

Established in 1852, the New Bedford Free Public Library is among the earliest free municipal libraries in the United States. The collection includes more than 373,000 items in print, audio, and video format for adults, young adults, and children, and is home to significant historical holdings including the third largest collection worldwide of American Whaling materials, early 19th century Quaker materials, museum-quality art, and an extensive genealogy collection. The core of the library's original holdings contains books, periodicals and other materials purchased from the New Bedford Social Library (founded in 1807), which assimilated the collections of the Encyclopedia Society, New Bedford Library Society, New Bedford Athenaeum and Lyceum. [Learn more.](#)



NEW BEDFORD *Historical Society*

New Bedford Historical Society

The New Bedford Historical Society, founded in 1996, is committed to preserving and celebrating the contributions of African Americans, Cape Verdeans, Native Americans, West Indians, and other people of color in the city's rich history. Through educational workshops, walking tours, oral history projects, and cultural exhibitions, the society ensures that the city's multicultural heritage continues to be shared with future generations. [Learn more.](#)



New Bedford Whaling Museum

Anchored in the story of New Bedford's whaling industry, the New Bedford Whaling Museum documents and shares the diverse stories of this vibrant maritime region and its people, both bygone and current. Through our partnerships and our Collection, the Museum stands as an institution for learning from, teaching about, and reflecting on humans' collective impact in our community. Our expanding reach as a cultural and scientific leader can be seen in our growing scholarship, research, and increased presentations of fine art. As a compelling destination that anchors a national park and vibrant urban seaport, we encourage exploration of our region's cultural, artistic, historic, and scientific contributions. [Learn more.](#)

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Newport Historical Society

Founded in 1854, the purpose of the Newport Historical Society is to collect, document and preserve Newport's unique contribution to our national narrative over the course of five centuries. Their continuing mission is to chronicle, advocate for the importance of, and communicate this history to a broad audience, so that knowledge of our past will contribute to a deeper understanding of the present and better preparation for the future. [Learn more.](#)



The Northeast Slavery Records Index (NESRI)

The Northeast Slavery Records Index (NESRI) is an online searchable compilation of records that identify individual enslaved persons and enslavers in the northeastern states of New York, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. As part of its purpose as a genealogical and historical institution, NESRI offers family history related research services and access to genealogical and historical records through a bricks and mortar research center and online through its website, to interested persons and entities. It also maintains public records of enslaved people which are accessible through NEHGSA's online database. [Learn more.](#)



Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association

Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association (PVMA) is a non-profit, membership-based cultural and historical organization incorporated by an official act of the Massachusetts Legislature in 1870. PVMA has located noteworthy evidence in its library collections of African Americans, free and enslaved, in Deerfield and is creating an online database of over 2,800 18th century entries from documents, including account books, church, medical, and military records, etc., from Deerfield and surrounding towns. The organization is also transcribing and digitizing each entry image and linking them to their database record, and researching and writing biographies to provide a snapshot of the web of community that demonstrates the interconnectivity of the enslavers, enslaved people, freed African Americans, and those who profited from the labor of the enslaved. [Learn more.](#)



Prince Project

Launched in May 2014, The Prince Project has grown from a simple list of a handful of enslaved people in a small town, to a database of almost 2000 who lived all over the State of Maine before 1800. Every person who has been found has made it increasingly clear that we need to teach our future generations a more accurate/complete history of our State. [Learn more.](#)

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The Reckoning

Reckoning, Inc. is nonprofit organization whose mission is to examine the legacy of slavery in America, and to create ways for communities to engage with this information through research projects, media productions, educational curricula, online content, and other means. Past initiatives include the public radio/podcast series *The Reckoning: Facing the Legacy of Slavery in America*, the Kentucky U.S. Colored Troops Project, the Kentucky Enslaved Church Records Project, the Kentucky USCT Pension Files Project, and the Kentucky Black Ancestors database. [Learn more.](#)



Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy

Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG), a flagship program of the Utah Genealogical Association, is known for offering advanced genealogical education, unique networking opportunities, and easy access to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. This partnership strengthens both organizations' commitment to uncovering untold stories and preserving African American family history for future generations. [Learn more.](#)



Slave Legacy History Coalition

Since its establishment in the fall of 2021, the Slave Legacy History Coalition has developed educational programming and monthly virtual gatherings to bring together local organizations engaged in the work of documenting the histories tied to slavery and Black New Englanders. It has created a much-needed space in the community to discuss the embedded legacy of slavery throughout the local landscape. [Learn more.](#)



The Texas Freedom Colonies Project

The Texas Freedom Colonies Project is an evolving social justice initiative that documents Black landscape heritage and historic sites and conducts research that supports grassroots preservationists' goals. In addition, it is a statewide, educational, social justice initiative dedicated to preserving Black settlements' landscapes, heritage, and grassroots practice through participatory research. Academics, practitioners, and descendants are their co-researchers. Freedom colony descendants' long history of struggle against systemic racism

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and commitment to self-determination, asset building, and collective identity formation inform the principles of the Texas Freedom Colonies. [Learn more.](#)

THE WHITE HOUSE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The White House Historical Association

The White House Historical Association is a private nonprofit organization founded in 1961 by First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy. Its mission is to protect, preserve, and provide public access to the rich history of America's Executive Mansion. In addition to conducting research of First Family life, architecture, fine arts, and the White House Gardens and Grounds, the White House Historical Association launched Slavery in the President's Neighborhood in February 2020. This research initiative seeks to identify enslaved and free African Americans who built, lived, and worked at the White House. [Learn more.](#)