

# African Americans in Georgia: Education, History, and Genealogy

A three-day event presented by the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society Metro Atlanta Chapter and the Georgia Archives

February 2 –  
February 4, 2023  
onsite at the Georgia Archives  
in Morrow

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## Education Thursday, February 2

8:45 am – 9:15 am Registration

9:15 am – 9:30 am Welcome and housekeeping

**Session 1** 9:30 am – 10:30 am  
Road to Desegregation: An Overview to Georgia's Response – Tamika Strong

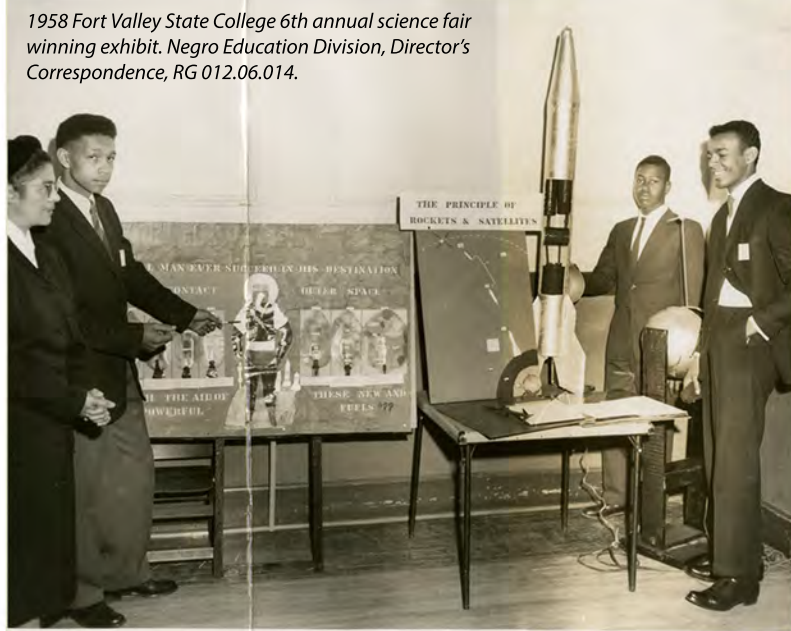
10:30 am – 10:45 am Break

**Session 2** 10:45 am – 11:45 am  
A Moment In Time: A Discussion of School Desegregation – Madelyn Nix and Doris Thomas

11:45 am – 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Reference Library Orientation and Independent Research

1958 Fort Valley State College 6th annual science fair winning exhibit. Negro Education Division, Director's Correspondence, RG 012.06.014.



## WHITE PASSENGERS SEAT FROM FRONT COLORED PASSENGERS FROM REAR

Transit Decal, 1957. MARTA - Atlanta Transit System Records - Administrative Records, RG 087.31.066.

Atlanta, ca. 1885. Unidentified family. Vanishing Georgia Collection, ful0351.



## African Americans in Georgia Friday, February 3

8:45 am – 9:15 am Registration

9:15 am – 9:30 am Welcome and housekeeping

**Session 1** 9:30 am – 10:30 am  
Mamie George Williams: Getting Everything of Value out of it for the Race – Velma Fann

10:30 am – 10:45 am Break

**Session 2** 10:45 am – 11:45 am  
African Americans in Georgia: A General History – Michael Thurmond, DeKalb Co. CEO

11:45 am – 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 am – 4:00 pm Reference Library Orientation and Independent Research

World War I. Meuse-Argonne Defensive Section Music Corps African American Division. Vanishing Georgia Collection, usa026.



## African American Genealogy in Georgia Saturday, February 4

8:45 am – 9:15 am Registration

### Track 1: African American Genealogy Basics

Prior-registration is required for the Genealogy Basics workshop.  
Register at: <https://forms.office.com/r/t91xXa4Tp6>.  
Registration deadline: January 28th.

9:15 am – 9:30 am - Welcome

**Session 1** 9:30 am – 10:30 am  
Getting Started – Tamu Taylor

10:30 am – 10:45 am - Break

**Session 2** 10:45 am – 11:45 am  
Finding Resources – Tamika Strong

11:45 am - 1:00 pm - Lunch

**Session 3** 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Document Analysis/Evaluations & Timelines – Sandra Bush

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm - Break

**Session 4** 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm  
Hands On Research – AAHGS Members

3:15 pm – 3:30 pm – Questions, Closing

### Track 2: African American Genealogy in Georgia

9:15 am – 9:30 am Welcome and housekeeping

**Session 1** 9:30 am – 10:30 am  
Resources to Trace your African American Roots at the Georgia Archives – Tamika Strong

10:30 am – 10:45 am - Break

**Session 2** 10:45 am – 11:45 am  
Analyzing and Evaluating Your Research Documents – Doris Posey

11:45 am - 1:00 pm - Lunch

**Session 3** 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Researching Enslaved Ancestors in Georgia – Tammy Ozier

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm Break

**Session 4** 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm  
Using DNA to Enhance African American Research – Janice Bryant and Stephanie Powers

3:15 pm – 3:45 pm Questions, Closing