

Registration

Name (please print)

Affiliation (museum, school, etc.)

Address

E-mail address

Daytime phone number

Registration includes continental breakfast and box lunch.

____ Consortium member site/ \$30
 Student with ID

____ Non-Consortium site \$40

Mail this form, with check made out to PGC History Consortium by March 22, 2013 to:

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Event location:

**Patuxent Research Refuge
National Wildlife Visitor Center
10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop
Laurel, MD 20708-4027
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<http://patuxent.fws.gov>**

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The Prince George's County History Consortium advocates for the collection, preservation, and education of the County's history, encourages collaboration among its members to promote the County's diverse natural and cultural resources, and attract public participation in the quality programs of our member sites.

African American History Symposium

*The Long Road Ahead—
Benevolent Societies'
Role in the Empowerment
of the Black Community
after Emancipation*

**Saturday, April 6, 2013
9:30 am—4 pm**

**Sponsored by
The Prince George's County
History Consortium**

Schedule

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9:30 am – 4 pm

- 9:30 am Registration & morning refreshments**
- 10:00 am Welcome, Mary Jurkiewicz, President, Prince George's County History Consortium**
- 10:15 am Rosenwald Schools
Susan Pearl**
- 11:15 am Freedmen's Bureau
Reginald Washington**
- 12:15 pm Lunch break and self tour of visitor center**
- 1:30 pm Women's Labor Organizations and Their Impact on Citizenship Participation and Politics
Dr. Sharon Harley**
- 2:30 pm Discovering the Colbert Family – Archeology of a 19th to 20th Century African American Site – Colt's Neck in Prince George's County
Jennifer Stabler**

SUSAN G. PEARL holds a Bachelor's degree from Brown University and several advanced degrees from the University of Michigan where she taught history and archaeology. In 1978, she conducted the County-wide survey of historic properties which led to the enactment of the Historic Preservation Program for Prince George's County in 1981. As research/architectural historian for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), Principal Investigator of Prince George's County's historic sites survey, and as a member of the Planning Department staff that implements the County's Preservation Ordinance, she conducted field surveys and research on over 500 historic buildings and communities. In 1996, she authored *African-American Heritage Survey*, an M-NCPPC publication that includes 14 African American communities and 107 individual historic sites. Ms. Pearl is the local authority on the County's African American historic buildings and communities, in particular on Rosenwald schools, which has led to several presentations at national conferences, including the American Association of State and Local History; the National Trust for Historic Preservation Annual Conference; the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society Annual Conference in 2001, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Rosenwald Initiative Conference (Nashville, TN, 2004). She serves on the Rosenwald Task Force for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and has published an article on the Rosenwald Schools of Prince George's County in the winter 2004 issue of the *Journal of the Maryland Humanities Council*. She served on the Ridgeley School Working Group to raise awareness and funding for the preservation and restoration of the Ridgeley Rosenwald School, in the Capitol Heights area of the County, a project that was completed in 2011. In 2010, Ms. Pearl completed a study, funded by the State, of all of the Rosenwald schools in Maryland. In 2012 she reported on this study at the National Trust Rosenwald Conference at Tuskegee University, and presented it to the Governor's Consulting Committee for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

REGINALD WASHINGTON is a retired archivist and genealogy specialist formerly with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). He has lectured frequently on records and research procedures and served for the past

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eighteen years as the agency's African-American Genealogy Specialist. He has spoken at Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society conferences, National Genealogical Society, Federation of Genealogical Societies, National Institute on Genealogical Research, the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, and numerous local genealogical societies and clubs. Mr. Washington has conducted numerous workshops on the use of Federal records for African-American genealogical research, and his articles have appeared in *Ancestry Magazine*, the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, the *Negro History Bulletin*, *Prologue*, and NARA's *The Record*. Mr. Washington gave congressional testimony in support of The Freedmen's Bureau Preservation Act of 2000 that authorized 3 million dollars for the preservation of more than 1000 linear feet of field office records of the Freedmen's Bureau. He is a past member of the Editorial Advisory Board for the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*. Mr. Washington compiled *Black Family Research: Records of Post-Civil War Federal Agencies at the National Archives*, NARA Reference Information Paper 108.

Dr. SHARON HARLEY, Associate Professor and former chair of the African American Studies Department at the University of Maryland, College Park, researches and teaches black women's labor history, women in the civil rights movement. A leading scholar in the field of black women's history, she is the editor and a contributor to the noted anthologies *Sister Circle: Black Women and Work* (Rutgers, 2002) and *Women's Labor in the Global Economy: Speaking in Multiple Voices* (Rutgers, 2008).. Both publications resulted from two major "Women and Work" Ford Foundation grants. Her most recent essay appears in *Telling Histories: Black Women Historians in the Ivory Tower* (UNC Press, 2008), edited by historian Deborah Gray White. Her *Timetables of African American History* was selected as a Book of the Month as well as History Book of the Month. She published a widely-cited article on "Gloria Richardson and the Cambridge (MD) Civil Rights Movement" and co-edited the first scholarly volume of essays in the field of Black Women's History. She has been a fellow at the National Humanities Center at the Research Triangle, North Carolina, where she completed a historical

monograph about gender, labor, and citizenship in the lives of African Americans in the United States from 1862 to 1920. She has held fellowships at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and at the W. E. B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research at Harvard University. In 2010, she was awarded the prestigious Carter G. Woodson Medallion for Outstanding Scholarship given by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History.

JENNIFER STABLER is a graduate of the University of Maryland, College Park (B.A. Anthropology, M.A.A. Anthropology, Ph.D. American Studies), with a concentration in historical archeology and cultural landscapes. She has participated in cultural resource management projects in Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, and Texas, and has archeological work experience in Israel and Italy. Ms. Stabler joined the Historic Preservation Section, Planning Department of The Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission in 2006 and reviews all subdivision plans for their impacts on archeological resources. She is also supervising a survey of all historic cemeteries in Prince George's County. Some of her recent papers and presentations include: Archeology at the Local Level in Prince George's County: Accomplishments and Future Needs – at the Middle Atlantic Archeology Conference, March 2011; Live and Enjoy: How to Best Honor the Past and Plan for the Future: Development and the Archeology Review Process in Prince George's County – Prince George's County Planning Department Speaker Series, presented with John Peter Thompson, Vice-Chairman of the Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission, July 2011.