



48th Annual

Southern California Genealogical Society

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Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel, Burbank, CA June 8-11, 2017

Researching African American Genealogy

Genetic Genealogy & Jamboree 2017

Two Events to Help Grow Your Family Tree!

A full conference track tailored for African American Research at the Genealogy Jamboree and the Genetic Genealogy Conferences.

Featuring:

- Case Studies on Ancestral Origins
- Using DNA, Online and Offline Genealogy
- Pension Research
- Slave Narratives: Telling the Story of Slavery in Families
- Probate Records to find Enslaved Ancestors before 1865
- Freedmen's Bureau Records
- Breaking Through the Wall of Slavery: African American Genealogy
- Researching Ancestors Who Owned Slaves
- DNA, Research Techniques and more!

Over 150 sessions by more than 80 outstanding speakers

Jambo**FREE** sessions Friday morning: Genealogy World Round Tables; DNA World Round Tables; Genealogy Basics: Tools and Strategies for Success; Growing Your Society Track; and Professional Genealogist Track.

FREE Exhibit Hall throughout the weekend
Genealogical Societies, Exhibitors and vendors with African American expertise

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Discounts are available for SCGS members and those attending both conferences.



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Dr. Edna F. Briggs

JF-D Friday June 9, 2017 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Preparing Our Genealogical Society for Future Generations

This presentation will focus on the survival of a 30-year-old African American Genealogical Society, and explore how a survey is being used to prepare for future generations - Generation X, the Millennials, and Generation Z.

Part of the JamboFREE Friday Growing Your Society Track. Free to the public. Advance registration requested.

David R. Dowell, PhD

TH017 Thursday June 8, 2017 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Was Henderson Dowell's Father of African or European Descent?

At Emancipation Henderson Dowell of Wilkes County, North Carolina, was 20 years old and enslaved by Pricilla Dowell. His living descendants are mixed African-American and European-American. Did his paternal ancestors come to America from Europe or from Africa?

Part of the Genetic Genealogy 2017 Conference. Separate registration is required for all sessions at this event.

Janice Lovelace, PhD

SU017 Sunday June 11, 2017 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Breaking through the Wall of Slavery - African American Genealogy

Many African American researchers struggle to break through the brick wall of slavery. This presentation looks at techniques to identify emancipated slaves and their prior slave-owners through the use of land, probate, census and court records.

SU020 Sunday June 11, 2017 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Did Your Ancestors Own Slaves?

Do you have Pre-Civil War ancestors? Might they have owned slaves? This presentation discusses researching prewar censuses, wills, court proceedings, business records and newspapers for information. What economic impact did owning slaves have on your family?

Gerard B. McKay

SU004 Sunday June 11, 2017 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Probate Records: Finding Enslaved Ancestors Before 1865

This presentation will examine three probate files to show how these records can provide an effective means to overcome the so-called "1870 brick wall" in identifying and documenting the lives and locations of enslaved ancestors prior to the end of slavery in the United States in 1865.

Diane L. Richard

SU033 Sunday June 11, 2017 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Freedmen's Bureau Records - Valuable to ALL Southern Research

The impact of the Civil War was keenly felt by many living from Delaware to Texas. The Freedmen's Bureau Records are full of pertinent records, not just the records of freed slaves. While records of freedmen are found, a lot of information about ALL impoverished southerners is also found.

Nicka Smith

FR001 Friday June 9, 2017 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Finding John Lee: Using DNA, Online and Offline Genealogy

Discover how DNA, online and offline genealogy converged to break down a more than 100-year-old brick wall revealing the life, times, and relations of a mysterious multi-ethnic man named John Lee.

FR026 Friday June 9, 2017 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM The Proof is in the Pension

Learn about the history of African American involvement in the Civil War and how a soldier's pension file can be a goldmine. From the names of former slaveholders to photos and vital records, this largely untapped resource can break down many a brick wall.

C. Ann Staley, CGSM, CGLSM

SA033 Saturday June 10, 2017 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Slave Narratives: Telling the Story of Slavery and Families

The WPA Federal Writers' project provides over 2,300 first person accounts. How can we use this rich resource? Are they reliable? The slave narratives, with their autobiographical accounts, can provide insight into the institution, rich context for family stories, and clues for family research.

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