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## EXPLORING AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY IN NEW JERSEY: A WORKSHOP

Tuesday, MAY 23, 2017 – 9am to 4 pm

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**80 Sculptors Way, Hamilton, NJ**

### AGENDA

- 8:30 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 am Welcome from the Sponsoring Institutions**
- 9:30 am Plenary Presentation: Dr. Gretchen Sullivan Sorin, Director/  
Distinguished Professor of Museum Studies, SUNY-Oneonta  
“The Immovableness of Color: African Americans in New  
Jersey History”**
- 10:15 am Questions, Comments, and Discussion: Dr. Linda Caldwell  
Epps, Moderator**
- 10:45 am Break**
- 11:00 am Panel Presentation: Introduction to Workshop Presenters,  
Dr. Epps, Moderator**
- 12:15 pm Lunch – Speaker: Junius Williams, Esq., Director of Abbott  
Leadership Institute, Rutgers University-Newark**
- 1:15 pm Concurrent Workshops**
- 2:15 pm Break**
- 2:30 pm Concurrent Workshops**
- 3:30 pm Summary and Next Steps: Dr. Epps, Moderator**

## Workshop Sessions & Presenters

- **Navigating the Archives at the NJ Historical Society and the NJ State Archives**
  - **James Amemasor, New Jersey Historical Society**
  - **Catherine Medich, New Jersey State Archives**
  
- **Digging into the African American Experience through Archaeology**
  - **Ian Burrow, consultant, BurrowIntoHistory**
  - **David Orr, Department of Anthropology, Temple University (retired)**
  
- **Finding a Needle in a Haystack: Genealogical Research on African American Families**
  - **Beverly Mills, Elaine Buck, & Kate McGuire, Stoutsburg Cemetery & Stoutsburg Sourland African American Museum**
  - **Gene Armstead, New Jersey Chapter of the Afro American Historical & Genealogical Society**
  
- **Exploring African American History in New Jersey's Libraries**
  - **Christine Lutz, Rutgers Special Collections & University Archives**
  - **Regina Fitzpatrick & Deborah Mercer, New Jersey State Library**
  
- **What the Land Can Tell Us: Maps, Deeds, and Wills**
  - **Guy Weston, Timbuctoo NJ**
  - **Joseph Grabas, The Grabas Institute**

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