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2022

January 21-29

ONLINE EVENT



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HISTORY

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

On behalf of Montgomery History and our many partners and sponsors, **welcome to the 2022 Montgomery County History Conference!**

We are so pleased you are joining us for the 16th edition of the conference which, like last year, is being held entirely online. While we will all miss the face-to-face aspect of previous events, this format provides a number of significant benefits. Rather than squeezing a keynote address, two breakout sessions, and a closing talk or performance into a single day, we are now able to spread the conference out over eight days, providing you with more opportunities to learn than ever before. This year you can participate in three keynote sessions, choose from twelve breakouts, enjoy an award-winning documentary, and test your knowledge on Trivia Night. For those of you who selected the premier ticket package, which provides yearlong access to recordings of the talks, you'll be able to enjoy four times as many presentations—at your leisure—than ever before!

This conference would not be possible without the support, assistance, and commitment of so many people. The members of our Planning Committee, who work on the event's program and logistics year-round, deserve special recognition. I also want to thank our generous sponsors because their financial support enables us to maintain the quality and diversity of voices that you've come to expect. The dignitaries who take time out of their busy schedules to introduce sessions help make this a true community event. Finally, I want to give a very special thank you to the speakers whose passion for local history and storytelling is evident in their talks.

My fervent hope is you will find the conference enriching and inspiring, leaving you better prepared to face the challenges of this coming year.



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Executive Director, Montgomery History

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Presented by Robert Plumb

Sponsored by GRF CPAs & Advisors

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(Spanish translation will be available for this session)

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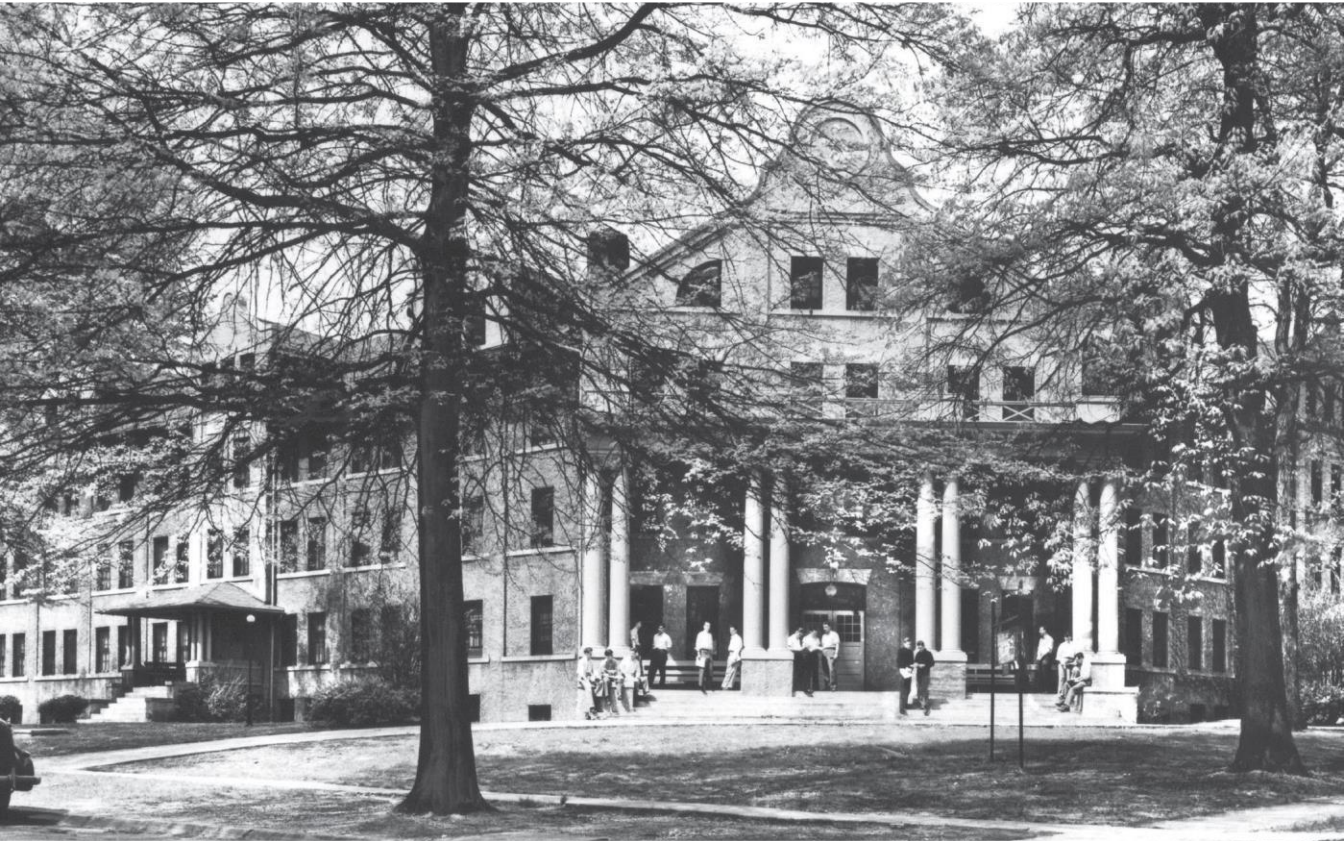
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On September 16, 1946, Montgomery Junior College held its first classes in the evenings at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School with a student body of 186 students (151 men and 35 women). In 1950, the College took over the old Bliss Electrical School (shown here), establishing its first campus in Takoma Park. Now, 75 years later, more than three quarters of a million students have taken at least one class at Montgomery College, which boasts three campuses in Montgomery County.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 21

Trivia Night 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Emcee: Ralph Buglass

Sponsored by Chevy Chase Historical Society

Test your knowledge of Montgomery County and Maryland history and win fun prizes!



Ralph, a Montgomery County native, says if you hang around long enough you become walking history. He has no illusions that helping out with Trivia Night will put him in the running for Jeopardy host – just hoping to advance the cause of greater awareness for local history.

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Shaunta Vaughn and The Honorable Gabe Albornoz
President, Montgomery County Council

Morning Keynote 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Richard Montgomery: "A Grateful Remembrance"

Robert Plumb

Sponsored by GRF CPAs & Advisors

Richard Montgomery—who was this man whose name today identifies our county and 15 others in the United States? Join Robert Plumb as he presents the life of General Richard Montgomery, the first general officer killed in the Revolutionary War and what, if any, connections he has with Montgomery County, Maryland. Plumb will discuss Montgomery's arrival in the American Colonies, his role in the American Revolution and the ill-fated American Northern Expedition into Canada. The speaker will also cover Montgomery's relationship to slavery as practiced in 18th century New York.

Robert Plumb is a former U.S. Navy officer and corporate executive at two Fortune 500 companies. He is the author of Your Brother in Arms: A Union Soldier's Odyssey (University of Missouri Press, 2011) and The Better Angels: Five Women Who Changed Civil War America (University of Nebraska Press). He is a long-time resident of Montgomery County and member of Montgomery History and its Speakers Bureau.



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Sponsored by Montgomery College

*****Spanish Translation will be available for this session*****

Montgomery College's origins began with 175 students, mostly WWII veterans, in 1946. Today, more than 55,000 students from about 160 countries attend the college. In celebration of the college's 75 years, a diverse panel of MC alumni will tell their MC stories about learning, inclusion, equity and building careers and composing lives in Montgomery County. The conversation will be in English and simultaneously translated in Spanish.



Anita Neal Powell '79 is a lifelong Montgomery County, Lincoln Park resident, community activist, advocate, researcher, historian, and public speaker. Anita has played a major role in coordinating projects with the Montgomery County government, collaborating on activities like Black History Month, Juneteenth, the Maryland Civil Rights Bus Tour, and Tracking the Footprints of African Americans. She is on the Board of Governors of the MC Alumni Association.

Marcelo Alborno '70, general accountant, is now retired from the Bureau of National Affairs, a nationwide publisher of business and finance laws and regulations. Marisol Alborno also attended MC. She is retired from a career running a medical office. Today they both enjoy their four beautiful grandchildren. They are the parents of Montgomery County Council President Gabe Alborno.



Fernando Andrade '95 is an IT Principal Program Manager for AT&T Global Business. He has over 20 years of experience in IT engineering, operations, managed service delivery and program management. He has a BS, MS and MBA from the Johns Hopkins University as well as multiple certifications. He attended Montgomery College on the Germantown Campus.

Gloria Aparicio Blackwell, Montgomery College Trustee, is the Director of the Office of Community Engagement at the University of Maryland College Park under the Division of Administration & Finance. She has an educational background in safety and fire science and earned a Master of Science in management from the University of Maryland Global Campus. She both studied and worked at Montgomery College.



Sidney A. Katz is a County Councilmember and Chair of the Council's Public Safety Committee and a member of the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee. Previously he was the Mayor of Gaithersburg. A lifelong resident of Gaithersburg, he was the owner of Wolfson's Department Store in Olde Towne, a small retail store started by his grandparents in 1918 and family-operated until 2013. He attended Montgomery College.

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Option 2

Beyond Policing: Making Freedom in Montgomery County's Historically Black Communities

Dr. Celeste Winston

Sponsored by Mayor Jeffrey Slavin

Across generations, residents of Montgomery County's historically Black communities demonstrate how to struggle for freedom and sustain Black life in contexts of seeming impossibility. This presentation connects slavery-era and present-day Black community organizing in Montgomery County, Maryland. Dr. Winston will highlight the history of policing in Montgomery County and outline lessons from Black communities for why we must, and how we can, reimagine safety and community well-being without police.

Dr. Celeste Winston is an Assistant Professor of Geography and Urban Studies at Temple University. She received her PhD in Earth and Environmental Sciences From the CUNY Graduate Center in 2019 after completing a dissertation based on the history and geography of Montgomery County's historically Black communities.



Option 3

Old Roads, New Histories

Kacy Rohn

Sponsored by Darnestown Civic Association

For 25 years, Montgomery County's Rustic Roads Program has protected the historic and scenic roadways that reflect the county's agricultural character and rural origins. An update to the Rustic Roads Functional Master Plan is currently in progress. This presentation will describe the work underway to bring new roads and new histories into the program that reflect the diversity of the county's past with previously underrepresented stories of women, freedom seekers, and early African American communities that enrich the historic landscapes traversed by these roadways.



Kacy Rohn is a Historic Preservation Specialist at the Montgomery County Planning Department, part of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). Kacy conducts research and designation projects and leads historic preservation outreach and education programs. She completed a dual master's program in Community Planning and Historic Preservation at the University of Maryland, College Park in 2017.

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Afternoon Breakout Session II

1:45-3:00 p.m.

Option 1

Potomac's Storied History

Judith Welles

Sponsored by Friends of the Library Potomac Chapter

Produced in coordination with the release of her book in November 2019, POTOMAC, Judith Welles dives into never-before-seen photos—many from Montgomery History's collection—that shed new light on the storied history of this area of the county. With the photographs as a backdrop, Welles tells the impact of the C&O Canal and the Civil War; the story of the Gold Rush and ghosts; the Potomac Hunt; the growth of a bustling commercial and residential area and much more.

Judith (Judy) Welles is a writer and former journalist who has authored local history books about the area in which she lives including Cabin John: Legends and Life of an Uncommon Place and Lilly Stone. She also wrote a work life e-book for Kindle, Get a Life, Try This! Judy was media relations manager for PricewaterhouseCoopers and IBM and a speechwriter for U.S. Cabinet members. She has chaired Montgomery County's Commission on Aging, been a Board member of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Trust for the national park, and a speaker for Montgomery History.



Option 2

When the Stars Came to Gaithersburg: Remembering the Shady Grove Music Fair

Ralph Buglass

Sponsored by Washington Metro OASIS

For most of the 1960s and '70s Gaithersburg was an entertainment mecca for the greater DC area. Shady Grove Music Fair—first under a big-top tent and then in a theater-in-the-round venue complete with a revolving stage—hosted Broadway hits and a wide variety of pop, rock and soul singers. Stars included Simon and Garfunkel, Bruce Springsteen, Aretha Franklin, Bette Midler, Duke Ellington and even the Jackson 5 for a full week with tickets starting at \$4.75. After only 16 years, the curtain came down in 1978—but what a run!



Ralph Buglass, a frequent speaker on local history, is a Montgomery County native who "graduated" from Shady Grove—only because his high school, Winston Churchill, like many others in the county, held commencement exercises at the venue back in the day. He went on to earn a BA in American history from Cornell and MA in journalism from American University. In 2020, with Peerless Rockville, he coauthored the pictorial history Images of America: Rockville.

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Option 3

The White House and Montgomery County

Bill Allman

Sponsored by Anonymous

From the porticoes to the presidents, Montgomery County has many fascinating connections to our nation's "First House." Perhaps most famous is Brookeville for serving as "White House for a day" during James Madison's term, but our County's ties to the White House continue to this day. Former White House Curator Bill Allman will recollect on the many ways in which Montgomery County has interacted with the President's House and its occupants.



Bill Allman served in the Office of the Curator of the White House for 41 years, the last 15 years as the Curator until his retirement in June 2017. A native and resident of Bethesda, Bill is a life member of Montgomery History, a former board member, and an active member of its Collections Committee.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 28

Keynote 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Cokie: A Life Well Lived

Steve Roberts

Sponsored by Ike and Catherine Leggett

Join renowned journalist Steve Roberts as he shares excerpts from his new book *Cokie: A Life Well Lived*. Steve will reflect on his life with Cokie, her passion for Montgomery County (where they lived together for 42 years in the house on Bradley Blvd her parents bought in 1952) and history, and her journalistic legacy. Cry, cheer, and laugh along with Steve as he encourages us all to live like Cokie.

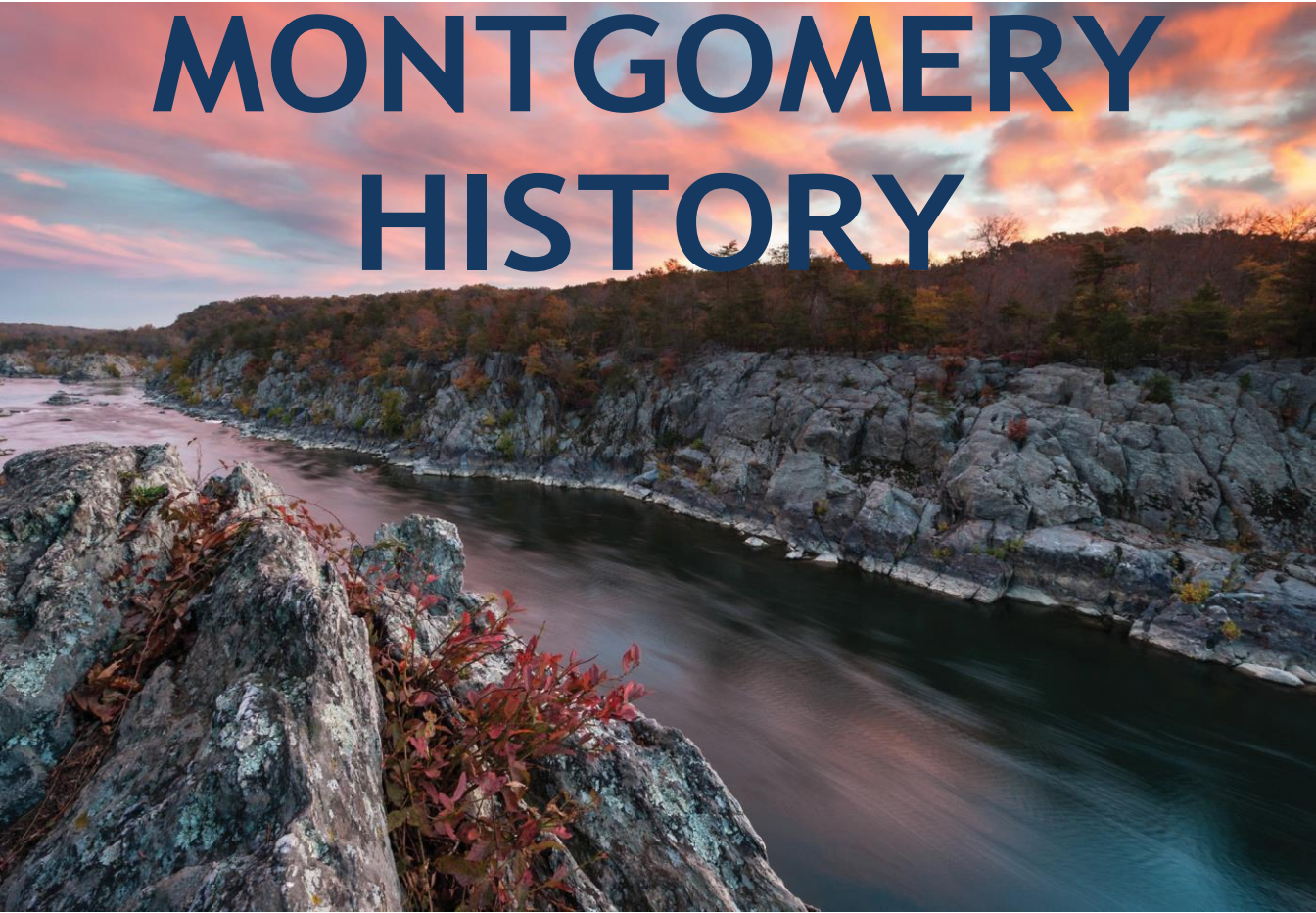


Steve Roberts has been a journalist for more than 50 years, covering some of the major events of his time, from the antiwar movement and student revolts of the 1960s and 1970s to President Reagan's historic trip to Moscow in 1988, to twelve presidential election campaigns. Steve graduated from Harvard University magna cum laude in 1964, then spent the next 25 years with the New York Times. Steve and his late wife, TV journalist Cokie Roberts, wrote a nationally syndicated newspaper column, and they published a book together titled From This Day Forward. Steve also writes a bi-monthly column, "Hometown," for Bethesda Magazine, and as a life-long baseball fan, he reviews sports books for the Washington Post. As a broadcaster, Steve appears regularly as a political analyst on the ABC radio network and is a substitute host on NPR's Diane Rehm show. Since 1997, Steve has been the Shapiro Professor of Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University, where he has taught for the last 25 years.



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Saturday, January 29

Opening Remarks 9:30-9:45 a.m.

Ian Shuman and **The Honorable Chris Van Hollen**, *United States Senator*

Morning Keynote 10:00-11:30 a.m.

The Legacy of Rachel Carson Sixty Years After *Silent Spring*

Dr. Robert K. Musil

Sponsored by Clarence and Mary Hickey

Dr. Musil will describe Rachel Carson's legacy of environmental writing, speaking and advocacy while a resident of Montgomery County, including little-known aspects of her concerns about global warming, factory farms, and environmental justice. Musil also discusses Carson's contribution to the birth of the modern environmental movement, including the founding of the Rachel Carson Council.

Dr. Musil, President & CEO of the Rachel Carson Council, is the author of Rachel Carson and Her Sisters: Extraordinary Women Who Have Shaped America's Environment and is an Adjunct Professor at American University who teaches about the environment and American society.



Afternoon Breakout Session I 12:00-1:15 p.m.

Option 1

The Road to Sprawl: The Intercounty Connector and the Limits of Mobility, Development, and Land Preservation

John Spiers, Ph.D.

Sponsored by the Mary Kay Harper Center for Suburban Studies

Suburban communities have spent a lot of time dealing with sprawl but keep making the same choices that got them there in the first place. Focusing on the case of the Intercounty Connector, I will discuss how efforts were made to support public participation and environmental review for the highway, but ultimately, the highway's creation was an attempt to build one's way out of congestion without modifying underlying land use policies to support compact growth. Recent proposals to expand I-270, the Capital Beltway, and other major thoroughfares reaffirm that auto-based transportation limit the possibilities for local development and land preservation.



John Spiers is author of Smarter Growth: Activism and Environmental Policy in Metropolitan Washington (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2018). He is Director of Faculty Affairs for the Department of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital and an appointed member of the Preservation Commission for the Town of Brookline, MA. He was the inaugural recipient of a fellowship from the Mary Kay Harper Center for Suburban Studies of Montgomery History.

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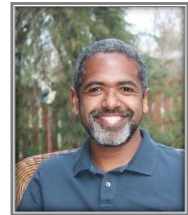
Great Escapes: Journeys on Maryland's Underground Railroad

Anthony Cohen

Sponsored by Montgomery Preservation, Inc.

Join historian Anthony Cohen for a lecture and preview of the upcoming book *Great Escapes: Journeys on Maryland's Underground Railroad*. A project of The Menare Foundation, Inc. and Heritage Montgomery, the book explores the people, places and social forces that created a pathway to freedom, forged by self-liberators and their allies from the 1830s to the Civil War.

Anthony Cohen is an historian, author, and explorer of the American past. An early purveyor experiential history, Cohen launched his career in 1996, walking two months from Maryland to Canada, along a route of the Underground Railroad. Cohen is the Founder and President of The Menare Foundation, Inc., a national non-profit organization, "Preserving the Legacy of the Underground Railroad," and operates the Button Farm Living History Center, a 40-acre farm depicting 1850s plantation life in Maryland.



Option 3

The Montgomery County Sports Hall of Fame

Trish Heffelfinger

Sponsored by Kensington Historical Society

Montgomery County has a long history of sporting excellence. Join Trish Heffelfinger, Chair of the Board of Directors, as she discusses the athletic history of Montgomery History with members of the Hall of Fame.

- *Shawn Springs, former all-Pro NFL cornerback, played 13 years with Seahawks, the Washington Football Team and the Patriots, all-America at Ohio State, all-state at Springbrook playing for Bob Milloy, CEO of Windpact, Inaugural Inductee Montgomery Sports Hall of Fame • Bob Milloy, Maryland's all-time winningest high school football coach with 405 wins and 8 state titles, coached at Whitman, Springbrook and Good Counsel where he won 4 straight WCAC titles, Inaugural Inductee Montgomery Sports Hall of Fame • Trish Heffelfinger, Chair of Montgomery County Sports Hall of Fame and Founding Executive Director of the Maryland SoccerPlex, Board Member of Maryland State Youth Soccer Assn. and Montgomery Parks Foundation • Joe Yasharoff, Director of Content at MyMCMedia, 12-time Emmy-winning TV producer and Adjunct Professor at the University of Maryland's Merrill College of Journalism*

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Afternoon Breakout Session II

1:45-3:00 p.m.

Option 1

Suburban Wasteland: Punk Culture in Montgomery County from 1977 to 2002

John Davis

Sponsored by UMBC at the Universities at Shady Grove

Since the late 1970s, the punk rock subculture has thrived in Montgomery County. The time between the opening (1977) and closing (2002) dates of Yesterday & Today Records—a punk scene hub that both inspired and employed countless punks—was a profoundly active time for punk music and culture in Montgomery County. This presentation explores the bands, record labels, fanzines, record stores, and other pieces of the local punk ecosystem that made Montgomery County an integral part of the highly influential Washington, DC-area punk subculture.



John Davis is the Curator of Special Collections in Performing Arts (SCPA) in the Michelle Smith Performing Arts Library (MSPAL) at the University of Maryland. He is a certified archivist and holds a Master's in Library and Information Science from the Catholic University of America. He has curated and co-curated exhibits at MSPAL and at Lost Origins Gallery in Washington, DC. His articles appear in Notes (the journal for the Music Library Association), The Washington Post, NPR and Punk & Post-Punk. He is currently writing a monograph on the history of DC punk fanzines for Georgetown University Press.

Option 2

Artifacts and Archives: How Museums Collect and Preserve

Elizabeth Lay

Sponsored by Montgomery County Medical Association

Many museums use the phrase “protect and preserve” in their mission statements, but what does it mean? What are the challenges that face museums regarding the collections? How do we make decisions about accession and deaccession? What are the conditions required to conserve papers, photos, and objects? Elizabeth Lay will reveal the answers as she shares the poignant history of Billy O. Hazard, Jr. using the items assembled following the child's death in 1918 as well as objects from our medical collection. By sharing the story of his life and tragic death, she will weave answers to these questions and consider how collections serves us both today and in the future.

Elizabeth Lay is a Design Historian and the Curator at Montgomery History's Beall Dawson House and Stonestreet Museum in Rockville. She holds a master's degree in the History of Decorative Arts from the Smithsonian-GMU program in Design History, specializing in 20th century textiles, fashion, and design. Additionally, she is an Adjunct Professor at George Washington University teaching Women Designers of the Twentieth Century and 20th Century Costume. Lay is a regular speaker with Smithsonian Associates through her “Lunch with the Curator” series and was the Project Coordinator for the Women in Preservation Symposium sponsored by the National Society of Colonial Dames, and the Smithsonian American Women's History Initiative.



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Option 3

Unearthing the Jackson Homestead: Archaeological Investigations of a Rural African American Site Varna Boyd

Sponsored by Archaeological Society of Maryland Mid-Potomac Chapter

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration sponsored archaeological investigations of the 19th to early 20th century African American Jackson Homestead site. The homestead is associated with Malinda Adams Jackson, a former slave, and her family. The home was catastrophically destroyed by fire ca. 1915, but historic research, genealogy, excavations within the home, and the analysis of over 160,000 artifacts provided a rare glimpse into the daily lives of the family and historic African American lifeways. Images of the archaeological excavations, historic documents, and a wide range of artifacts will be shown during the presentation.

Ms. Boyd has 40 years of experience in the design, management, and technical execution of historical and archaeological investigations throughout the US and Caribbean. She is a senior manager at SEARCH, Inc., a cultural resource management consulting firm. She is on the Board of Directors for the Register of Professional Archaeologists and a former Vice President and Board Member of the Archaeological Society of Maryland. She lived in Montgomery County for 15 years, but currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia.



Closing Session

3:30-5:00 p.m.

Finding Fellowship Documentary screening and discussion Jason Green

Sponsored by The Montgomery County Remembrance and Reconciliation Commission

Finding Fellowship shares a story from our past to shape our future. The title is a double entendre referencing the importance of unearthing history -- Fellowship is the name of the street that the film's producers grew up on, named after the camaraderie of those living on the street. The film is also about the power of people coming together in a shared interest and how that can only be achieved through intention. In a world where we are often told that we are irreconcilably divided, we still believe in finding fellowship, and it's this story that gives us hope.



Jason Green is a DC-based attorney, entrepreneur and thought leader on economic opportunity and the future of work. In 2013, Green co-founded SkillSmart, an award-winning enterprise that empowers communities by providing a skills-based ecosystem and ensuring local communities are able to participate in economic development. In addition to his co-founder responsibilities, Green is Senior Vice President & General Counsel, leading external engagement, business development, communications, risk mitigation and government relations. Recently Jason completed his first documentary entitled Finding Fellowship – a story of hope about the unlikely merger of three racially-segregated churches in the divided 1960s. Green is a frequent contributor on Bloomberg News discussing workforce trends, politics, and the economy, and his TEDx talk on the skills to master the future has over 40,000 views. Jason is a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis and earned a law degree from Yale Law School.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Representatives from the following organizations serve on the History Conference Planning Committee. Their efforts around the county provide historical interpretation, planning, preservation, education, and more which help to **enrich the cultural heritage of our community.**



Montgomery History (*MontgomeryHistory.org*) has been serving the local community through its exhibitions, programs, educational activities, library, and conferences since its founding in 1944. Its mission is to collect, preserve, interpret, and share the histories of all of Montgomery County's residents. Through weekly *History Conversations*, an award-winning Speakers Bureau, a vast collection of artifacts, photos, and papers, historical documents made accessible through a digital repository, and events such as the annual History Conference, the organization uses history to better understand and tackle 21st century issues. Visit **MontgomeryHistory.org** to learn more.

Historic Takoma (*HistoricTakoma.org*) is a non-profit founded in 1979 to carry on the legacy of Takoma Park, MD and Takoma Park, DC. Its mission is to preserve Takoma Park's architectural heritage, to share the rich history gathered in its archives and to record the stories of its citizenry.



Maryland-National Capitol Park and Planning Commission, Montgomery Parks (*MontgomeryParks.org*) protects and interprets the parks' valuable natural and cultural resources; balance demand for recreation with the need for conservation; offer various enjoyable recreational activities that encourage healthy lifestyles; and provide clean, safe, and accessible places. Montgomery Parks' staff of historians and archaeologists are dedicated to preserving and interpreting historical resources for current and future generations. Among these resources are buildings, archaeological sites (like cemeteries and ruins), and other culturally significant objects.

Montgomery College's (*MontgomeryCollege.edu*) mission is to empower its students to change their lives, and to enrich the life of the community. Montgomery College is accountable for its results.



The Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission (*MontgomeryPlanning.org*) is the county-wide body that recommends County Council designation of historic sites in the county. It is the official organization that evaluates proposals and issues Work Permits for exterior changes to designated historic resources in the county.

Peerless Rockville Historic Preservation, Ltd. (*PeerlessRockville.org*) is an award-winning nonprofit, community-based organization founded in 1974 to preserve buildings, objects, and information important to Rockville's heritage. Peerless Rockville advances its goals through education, example, advocacy, and community involvement.



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