

Discovering Slave Owners in the Family Tree

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No matter where your ancestors lived the names of the enslaved may be found in their records.

Where Can Names Be Found?

Wills
Probate Packages
Slave Census
Newspaper Articles

Plantation Records
Freedman's Bureau Records
Family Papers
Land and Property Records

Dealing with Emotions-Don't Hide the Truth Do Something Positive

Extract Names

Share Documents and Relationships
Research and Connect

Releasing Names-Where to Share

Blog Posts

- Your own
- Slave Name Roll Project
- AfriGeneas.com

Facebook Pages

- Center for Family History at the International African American Museum
- AfriGeneas Genealogy Community
- Local Genealogy Group and Society pages

Donate to Repositories

- Local and State Archives
- Local and State Historical Societies
- Local and State Libraries
- Local and State Museums

Bringing it Full Circle-Connecting with Descendants

Research the Names

-can you find them in other records of your ancestor, his family or neighbors?

Keep a Log

-track names, owners, locations, family members and others mentioned

Use Your Skills

-research down the generations from slavery to emancipation and beyond.

Speak their names, share the records. Help families connect.

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Links:

Releasing Names

Slave Name Roll Project <http://slavenamerollproject.blogspot.com/p/about-project.html>

Africageneas Slave Data <http://www.afrigeneas.com/slavedata/>

African American Research

FamilySearch-African American Record <https://www.familysearch.org/campaign/african-american-genealogy>

LowCountry Africana <https://www.lowcountryafricana.com/>

The Center for Family History at the International African American Museum

<https://www.facebook.com/IAAMCFH/>

AfriGeneas: <http://www.afrigeneas.com/>

The African-Native American Genealogy Homepage <http://www.african-nativeamerican.com/>

The Freedman's Bureau Online <http://freedmensbureau.com/>

Cyndi's List/African American <https://www.cyndislist.com/african-american>

African Roots Podcast <http://africanrootspodcast.com/>

African American Gateway <http://www.genealogycenter.info/africanamerican/>

Black Progen <http://www.whoisnickasmith.com/blackprogen/>

Facebook Pages for both researching and releasing:

AfricaGeneas Community <https://www.facebook.com/groups/afrigeneascommunity/>

LowCounty Africana Research Community

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LowcountryAfricana/>

African American Genealogy Forum <https://www.facebook.com/groups/303161506386629/>

Also consult for updates: Kathryn Willson's Genealogy on Facebook/African American

<https://moonswings.files.wordpress.com/2018/06/genealogy-on-facebook-list-summer-2018.pdf>

Books:

Burroughs, Tony. Black Roots: a Beginner's Guide to Tracing the African American Family Tree. Fireside Book, 2001.

Streets, David H. Slave Genealogy: a Research Guide with Case Studies. Heritage Books, 2008.

Garrett-Nelson, LaBrenda. A Guide to Researching African American Ancestors in Laurens County, South Carolina and Selected Finding Aids. Xlibris, 2016.

Bailey, Harris, et al. Our Ancestors, Our Stories. The Write Image, 2014.

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