Lemon Project Spring Symposium 2013

“Campus & Communities: The African American Experience Along the Peninsula”

Program Schedule

**Friday, March 15th  Bruton Heights School (across from the Rockefeller Library)**

6:00pm  Opening Remarks  Jody L. Allen, Lemon Project Managing Director & Co-Chair Visiting Assistant Professor of History, College of William & Mary

Welcome  Michael Halleran, Provost, College of William and Mary

**Dramatic Presentation**

“Flight to Freedom: The Fields Family and Freedom's Fortress” with Ms. Drusilla Pair, genealogical researcher and Park Ranger, Ms. Ajena Rogers, historical interpreter and a Fields family descendant. This is a dramatic interpretation of the Fields family’s escape from enslavement in Hanover County, VA to freedom at Fort Monroe, VA during the Civil War.

**Saturday, March 16th  College of William & Mary School of Education**

8:00am – 8:45am  Check-in and Continental Breakfast

9:00am  Opening Remarks  Terry Meyers

Welcome  Kate Slevin, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

9:15am – 10:45am  Panel: William & Mary: Then and Now

The College of William and Mary, Then & Now
Moderator: Bonnie Winston, Communications Manager, Office of Development
Current student  Brittney Harrington, ’13
Current Staff  Charlotte Brown
Community Member  Tony Conyers
Former Student  Karen Ely ’71

10:50am  Remarks  Taylor Reveley, President, College of William and Mary
11:00am – 12:45pm  Panel Sessions

I.  Doing Oral History: Three Communities
    Moderator: Iyabo Osiapem, Visiting Assistant Professor, Linguistics, College of William & Mary
    - Speaking of the Past: Oral Histories of African Americans at the College of William and Mary Sarah McLennan, Lemon Fellow, Ph.D. Candidate History, Lemon Fellow, College of William & Mary
    - Make the Ground Talk: Bringing to Life the Vanished African American Communities of Virginia’s Tidewater Through Personal Stories, A Video Documentary in Progress Erin Hollaway & Brian Palmer, Journalists, Community members
    - “You Can’t Erase Our Memories”: The Building of, the Demolition of, and the Preservation of Fulton Caroline Morris, Ph.D, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Randolph-Macon College

II.  Shaping Race: Diversity, Identity, and Place
    Moderator: Julia Kaziewicz, Ph.D. Candidate American Studies; Teaching Fellow, English and Film, College of William & Mary
    - Affirmative Action and the Conceptualization of Diversity at the College of William and Mary Ashleigh Ramos, ’13, undergraduate student, College of William & Mary
    - “So, How Should We Talk About This?:” Examining Multi-Racial Discourse in the Post-Obama Era Andrew Ojeda, MA Candidate, New York University

III.  Recovering the Past: Enslaved and Free Blacks at the College of William and Mary
    Moderator: Terry Meyers, Chancellor Professor of English, College of William & Mary
    - What Could Jupiter Learn at William and Mary that he didn’t already know? Susan Kern, Visiting Associate Professor, College of William & Mary
    - The Bray School Archaeological Project: A Report on the First Season of Excavation Mark Kostro, Ph.D. Candidate, Anthropology, College of William & Mary

IV.  No Silver Spoon: Maggie L. Walker and Black Resilience
    Moderator: Heather Huyck, Visiting Associate Professor of History, College of William & Mary
    - 12 Boxes Later: Maggie Walker & Blacks during the Great Depression Heather Huyck
    - Ticket to Freedom: Maggie Walker and Blacks Voting Kameron Melton,’15 undergraduate student, College of William & Mary

1:00pm – 2:00pm Lunch
    - Continuing the Conversation: Reflection and Discussion