

*A List of Negroes at College*



# The Lemon Project

The College of William & Mary



*Kate a invalid  
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*Negroes hired out*

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Turner  
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**The Lemon Project**  
Spring Symposium  
The Journey Continues:  
Learning from Differences

MARCH 17, 2012 - BRUTON HEIGHTS SCHOOL



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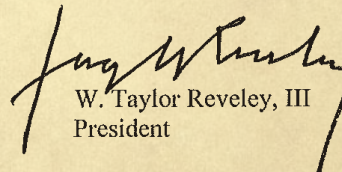
Greetings and welcome to the second annual Lemon Project Spring Symposium. I'm delighted you have chosen to spend your Saturday with us.

In 2009, with the support of the Student and Faculty Assemblies, the College's Board of Visitors resolved to create "The Lemon Project: A Journey of Reconciliation." The BOV defined Lemon "as a long-term research project under the sponsorship of the Office of the Provost, involving College faculty, staff, and students as well as members of the Greater Williamsburg community, to better understand, chronicle, and preserve the history of blacks at the College and in the community and to promote a deeper understanding of the indebtedness of the College to the work and support of its diverse neighbors."

In the year since we last came together the Project has continued to move forward. It has co-sponsored several programs, including public lectures and a student dramatic production. Its leadership has spoken to community groups and appeared on the local public radio show, Another View. Three Lemon Project courses have provided students with the opportunity to study the Jim Crow Era, slavery, and the education of African Americans in Virginia. Today, you will have an opportunity to hear from undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty about their current research aimed at providing a broader understanding of relevant aspects of the university, its alumni, archeological finds, and area leaders. When brought together, these pieces of the puzzle that comprise the College's and community's past will help us see the broad scope of our history.

While work has begun, there remains much to do, and we want you to join us. Bring your ideas and your enthusiasm. There is no end to what we can accomplish if we work together.

Cordially,



W. Taylor Reveley, III  
President

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Greetings. I hope that you enjoy the second Lemon Project Spring Symposium. Once again, you'll have the opportunity to learn about ongoing research projects, to hear from community members, and to share your thoughts on our next steps.

Our task is an important one, and to accomplish it we need your help. Please share your ideas with us. There may already be a committee or project that would benefit from your knowledge, experiences, skills or vision. Of course, yours might be a concept that we have not thought of yet. If this is the case, Lemon staff will work with you to identify like-minded individuals to join you on a new committee.

We really want to hear from you. We are committed to making the Lemon Project a community project, and your feedback will help us achieve that goal. Remember, *The Journey Continues...*

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Michael R. Halleran  
Provost



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THEME: *The Journey continues:*  
 Learning From Difference

SCHEDULE

- 8:45am – 9:20am      Advisory Committee Meeting
- 8:30am – 9:15am      Check-in and Continental Breakfast
- 9:30am -9:45am      *Opening Remarks*  
 Jody L. Allen, Lemon Project  
 Managing Director & Co-Chair  
 Visiting Assistant Professor of History
- Introduction of the Provost*  
 Cindy Hahamovitch,  
 Professor of History
- Welcome*  
 Michael Halleran, Provost  
 College of William and Mary
- 9:45am – 11:00am      **Panel:** Jim Crow Education in  
 Williamsburg
- Moderator:** Robert F. Engs, Visiting  
 Distinguished Professor & Lemon  
 Project Consulting Scholar
- Vivian Brown Bland, Bruton Heights  
 School Class of 1952
- Wilbert Hunter, Bruton Heights  
 School teacher and coach
- Selma Mitchell Harriod, Bruton  
 Heights School Class of 1965

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 HIGHLIGHTS....



Spring Symposium 2011



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11:15pm -12:15pm

## Panel Sessions

### PANEL 1 ROOM 119

**Chairperson:** Jackson Sasser, Visiting Assistant Professor, Government

*"The Rockefeller's Colonial Williamsburg Dream & The African-American Community"*

Danielle Greene, College of William and Mary, Class of 2012

*"African Americans in the News at the College of William & Mary: 100 Years of Flat Hat History"*

Sebastian Kreindel, College of William and Mary, Class of 2012

*"A Persistent Romance: The Progress of Interracial Relationships in Virginia"*

Andrew Ojeda College of William and Mary, Class of 2012

### PANEL 2 ROOM 204

**Chairperson:** Betsy Schlabach Visiting Assistant Professor, History & American Studies

*"The Early Development of William Short's Abolitionism"*

John P. Mohler, College of William and Mary, Class of 2012

*"Property and People: The Construction of James Monroe's Views on Slavery"*

William F. Rison, College of William and Mary, Class of 2012

### PANEL 3 ROOM 117

**Chairperson:** Meghan Holder, Lemon Project Fellow, American Studies, College of William and Mary Ph.D. student

*"In the Shadow of the Wren Building: Archaeological Perspectives on Slavery at the College of William and Mary"*

Stephanie Bergman, College of William and Mary Anthropology, Ph.D. student

*"Creating Her World With Her Words: The Letters and Speeches of Maggie L. Walker"*

Matthew Caterine College of William and Mary Class of 2012

*"Reconstructing History at William and Mary"*

Terry Meyers Chancellor Professor of English, College of William and Mary

12:15pm – 1:15pm

## Lunch

1:20pm

Introduction of President Reveley

Francis Tanglao-Aguas, Associate Professor, Theatre, Speech, and Dance

Taylor Reveley, President College of William and Mary

1:30pm – 2:45pm

Ain't I Free -- Colonial Williamsburg Interpreter Emily James portrays Edith Cumbo

3:00pm – 3:30pm

Q & A with the audience

Moderators: Terry Meyers, Lemon Project Co-Chair

Jody L. Allen, Lemon Project Co-Chair

3:30pm – 4:00pm

Ebony Expressions Gospel Choir College of William and Mary

Cienna Wesley, Director

Talita Sueldo, President

4:00pm

Closing Remarks



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WM class meets with James City County Training School/  
Burton Heights School Alumni Association



Lemon Project Celebration of Dance



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## *Steering Committee*

Berhanu Abegaz, Africana Studies and Economics  
Jody L. Allen, Managing Director and Co-chair, History  
Robert F. Engs, History  
W. Fanchon Glover, Assistant to the President, ex officio

Cindy Hahamovitch, History  
Terry L. Meyers, Co-chair, English  
Hermine D. Pinson, English

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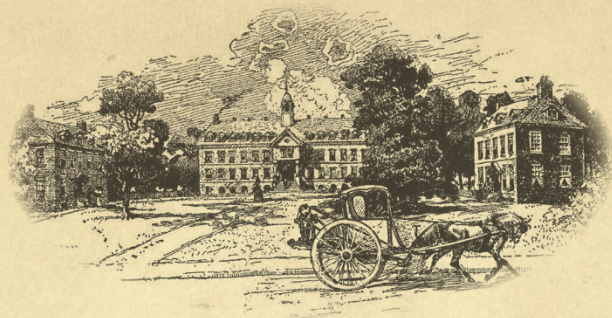
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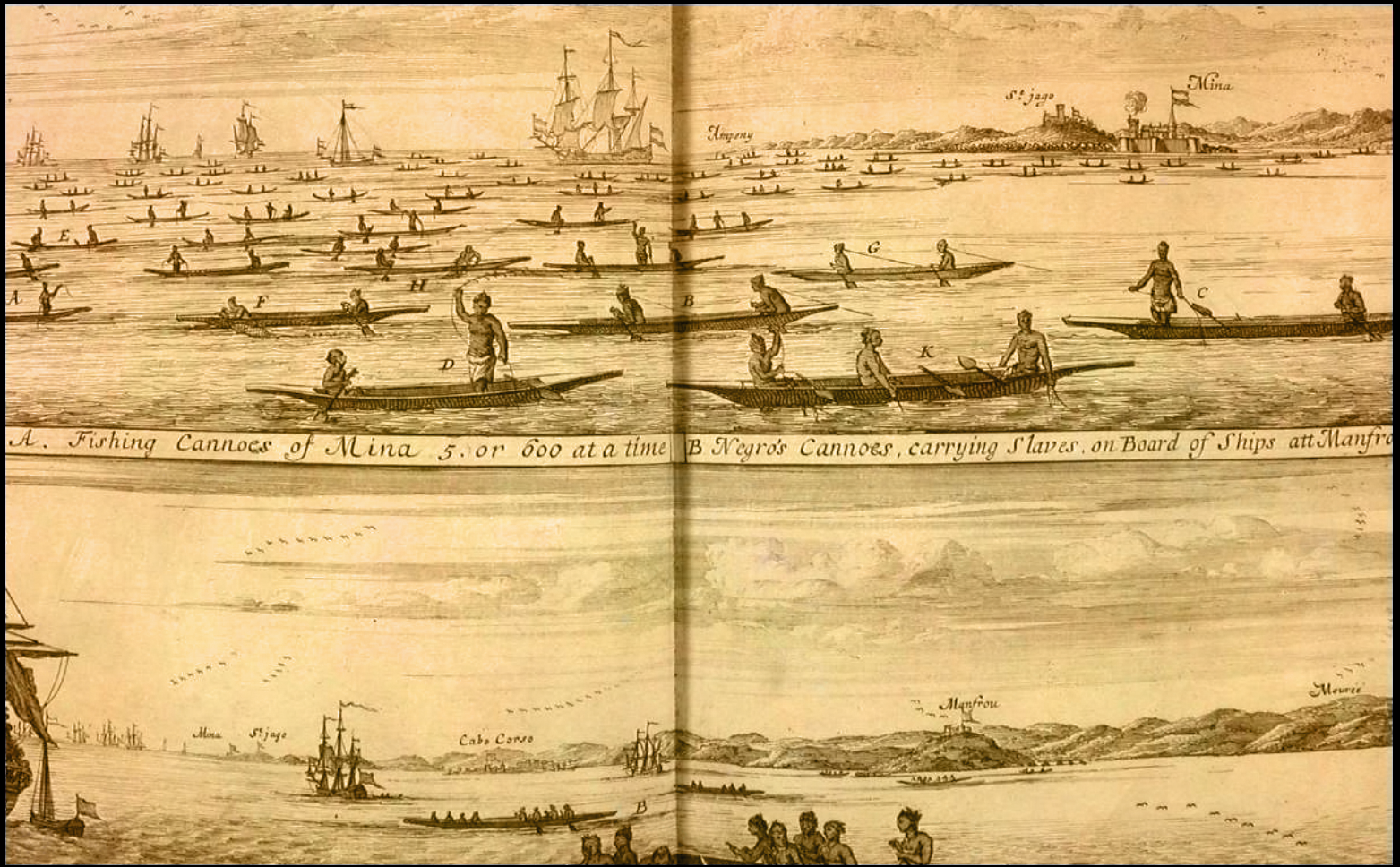


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Swem Library-The World of Henry Billups class exhibit Spr. 2011



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For More than 30 years, Colonial Williamsburg's African American-focused programs have explored the stories of Williamsburg's population that was of African descent. Programs examining how topics such as familial relationships and kinship ties, music, storytelling, slave laws, resistance, race relations and miscegenation impacted their lives help guests to identify and understand the paradox of slavery

in the midst of the American revolutionary fight for freedom. Colonial Williamsburg's continued dedication to probing these issues fosters guest exploration of the founding principles that motivated the fight for American freedom and provides opportunities to engage the public in a dialogue on national issues of race, class and identity that we have grappled with for centuries. A variety of African American history programs are offered on a regular schedule.

Visit [www.history.org/almanack/people/African/](http://www.history.org/almanack/people/African/) for details and for further information on these upcoming special events commemorating the African American experience:

**March 24-25 International Remembrance of Slavery and the Slave Trade** -- Colonial Williamsburg joins in the observance of the United Nations' International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade by offering programming that recognizes people of African descent who suffered the inhumanity of slavery, the slave trade, and discrimination.

**July 6-8 More Than Slaves** -- Join us for a special weekend of programming that illustrates the inspiring story of people actively seeking political, economic, and social change.