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Spring Symposium Campus & Communities: The African American Experience Along the Peninsula





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#### **Lemon Project Symposium**

Greetings and welcome to the fourth annual Lemon Project Spring Symposium "Aspiring for Change: Representations of the African American Experience."

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 the project "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."

One way of marking the growth of the Lemon Project is the annual symposium. Once again, the symposium is taking place over two days and aims to address the interests of a broad audience. I am delighted that Craig Steven Wilder, author of *Ebony* & *Ivy: Race, Slavery, and The Troubled History of America's Universities*, will be joining us this year. The program also includes a poetry slam where participants will perform works written with the symposium theme in mind. Finally, panel sessions presented by faculty, students, and community members will highlight new research.

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.

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Taylor Reveley President



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March 14, 2014

Welcome to the fourth annual Lemon Project Spring Symposium, and I hope that you will enjoy "Aspiring for Change: Representations of the African American Experience." We are thrilled that historian and author Craig Steven Wilder will be with us this year. He will be joined by faculty, student, and community presenters from Virginia Commonwealth University, James Madison University, the University of Alabama, the nation's capital and from right here at home.

Thinking beyond this weekend, it is my hope that you will continue to be involved with the Lemon Project. We still want and need your input; 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 effort, and any feedback you can give us will help us achieve that goal.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Michael Hallen

Michael R. Halleran Provost

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The Lemon Project Spring Symposium Campus & Communities: The African American Experience Along the Peninsula

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14** 6:00pm- 7:30pm

Bruton Heights School, Lane Auditorium 301 1st Street Williamsburg, VA

Opening Remarks

Jody L. Allen, Lemon Project Managing Director and Co-chair

Michael Halleran, Provost

Introduction

#### Community Read -Book Discussion

Ebony & Ivy: Race, Slavery, and the Troubled History of America's Universities by Craig Steven Wilder Led by the author

8:30pm -10:00pm

Sadler Center, Tidewater AB 200 Stadium Dr. Williamsburg, VA

**Open Mike** Hosted by James Padilioni, Lemon Project Graduate Assistant AMST MA/Ph.D.



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Terry Meyers, Lemon Project

2:30pm

Co-Chair

Archaeologist, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation Moderator: Susan Kern, Visiting Associate Professor, History, College of William and Mary - Miller Hall Room 1082

Krauss, '15 Student, College of William and Mary "African American Burials and the Historic Landscape

of Williamsburg" Ywone Edwards-Ingram, Ph.D. Staff

Anthropology/Archaeology "The Bray School: Findings and Questions" Stephanie

Moderator: Alphine Jefferson, Professor, History & Director of Black Studies, Randolph-Macon College -Miller Hall Room 1088

Moderator: R. Trent Vinson, Associate Professor, History, College of William and Mary - Miller Hall Room 1082

12:00pm - 12:45pm

African Americans at School

"The White Response to Black Resistance: African

"Teaching About Africa at Virginia Schools: The

American Educational Change in Virginia 1936 to 1967" Marissa Beale, '14 Student, College of William and Mary

Development of African Studies at the College of William

and Mary and Hampton Institute/University Alexandra (Lexi) Hartley, '14 Student, College of William and Mary

"The Cultivation of the Black Experience" Tanisha

Ingram, '14 Student, College of William and Mary



1:00pm - 2:15pm

#### Living Histories

"'If These Walls Could Talk': Oral Histories of the Holley School" Mary Lamb Shelden, Assistant Professor, Virginia **Commonwealth University** 

"Make the Ground Talk" Brian Palmer & Erin Hollaway,

Community Members and Documentary Film Producers

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# Taylor Reveley, President

Q&A

Remarks

10:30am - 11:45am

10:20am

Panel Session One

#### Narratives: Making Meaning, Decoding Meaning

"Historical What? New Ideas On Classifying Slave Narratives" Benjamin S. Flax, Student, University of Alabama

"Tommie's Camera: The Family Photographs of Louise Miller" Carol Hill & Burnell Irby, Educators, Washington D.C.

Moderator: Andrew Ojeda, graduate student, New York University - Miller Hall Room, 1069

### Leaders in the African American Community

"Transformational Leadership & Resilience: An Exploratory Study of African – American Women Leaders in Nonprofits" Donovan Branche, James Madison University, Doctoral Candidate

"Janie Porter Barrett: Transformational Leader and Institutional Founder" Karen Ford, Ph.D., Professor, James Madison University

Moderator: Leah Glenn, Associate Professor, Dance, College of William and Mary - Miller Hall Room 1078

8:00am - 8:30am

8:00am - 3:00pm

8:45am - 9:00am

9:00am - 10:15am

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 College of William & Mary Mason School of Business 101 Ukrop Way Williamsburg

Check-in & Continental Breakfast

Opening Remarks Introduction

Kate Conley, Dean, Arts & Sciences Keynote - Craig Steven Wilder Professor and Head, History Massachusetts Institute of Technology



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"Peninsular Women: Making A Difference" "The Bray School Archaeological Project" Mark Kostro, Archaeologist Swem Library Special Collections Research Center

Steering Committee

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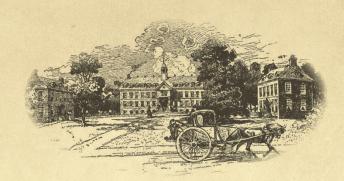
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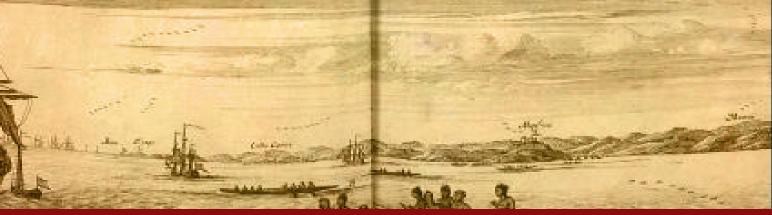
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Visitors of the College of William and Mary heartily supports the creation of the Lemon Project: A Journey of Reconciliation that will be a longterm research project under the sponsorship of the Office of the Provost, involving College faculty, staff, and 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.



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