

Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture Celebrates Black History Month in Atlanta with

# Save Our African American Treasures

in association with the Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History, a special library of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System

## Attend workshops on topics such as:

- Textile Preservation
- Paper/Photo Preservation
- Authenticity of Objects
- Oral Histories

## Featuring

- Hometown Treasures Object Reviews
- Bring up to *three items* for a 20-minute, one-on-one consultation with experts.

ceramics • uniforms • cloth dolls • metalwork • flags • hats • clothing • lace • quilts • needlework and table linens • family Bibles • historic pictures • documents



**Saturday, Feb. 6, 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History  
101 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta 30303



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**Space is limited. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED for object reviews only by calling toll free 877-733-9599 or e-mailing [treasures@si.edu](mailto:treasures@si.edu).**

Please state what item(s) you will be bringing. Furniture, art, rugs/carpets, firearms or objects larger than a shopping bag will not be reviewed. Maximum of three (3) items per participant.

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A National Collections Initiative of Discovery and Preservation

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**10:00 a.m. Doors open**

**10:15 a.m. Welcome Program, Auditorium**

**11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Preserving Clothing and Textiles**

What is a “Textile” in the museum world? Rag dolls, flags/banners, hats, lace, linens, needlework, quilts/blankets, uniforms, upholstery/curtains—think fabric. Come and get some tips on how to better preserve your daughter’s Christening gown, your grandmother’s wedding dress, or your father’s military uniform from professionals who work in the field of textile preservation.

**12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. What is Provenance?**

Do you know that before donating or selling a personal treasure to a cultural institution or organization one must establish the “provenance” of that object? This presentation will focus on the process of establishing the place of origin and the records needed to authenticate your special item(s).

**1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Preserving Your Family Stories and Voices**

By recording the stories of our lives with the people we care about, we experience our history, hopes, and humanity. Since 2003, tens of thousands of everyday people have interviewed family and friends through StoryCorps. StoryCorps Atlanta facilitators will share tips and resources for recording and archiving your family’s oral history.

**2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Saving Your Family Photographs and Papers**

Great Aunt Mary left you with the responsibility of preserving the family photographs and papers... Now what do you do? Learn about how light, heat, and humidity affect your family collections. Discover some simple things you can do to be a good steward of your family paper and photography collections.

