

California African American Genealogical Society, Inc. (CAAGS)
30th Anniversary Conference
Los Angeles, CA

“African American History Is American History: Reaching In, Reaching Out”

Friday, March 18, 2016
(Tentative)

Session	Time	Breakout Room #1	Breakout Room #2:	Breakout Room #3	Breakout Room #4:
1	8:00 am to 9:00 am	Opening Plenary Session (TBD)			
2	9:15 am to 10:15 am	FR-1 You Joined a Genealogy Web Site. Bernard Wilson (Beginners)	FR-2 Finding the Family Farm Joy Fisher (Beginners, Intermediate, Advanced)	FR-3 Finding Hidden Ancestors in DNA Alice Fairhurst (Beginners, Intermediate)	FR-10 Manumissions and Motivations: Decoding Freedom Papers Michael Henderson (Intermediate, Advanced)
	10:15 am to 10:30 am	Mid-Morning Break			
3	10:30 am to 11:30 am	FR-4 Bagging a Live One: Connecting With Cousins You Never Knew Mary Roddy (Beginners, Intermediate)	FR-5 Two Sets of Books? Courthouse Research for African American Ancestors Janice Lovelace (Beginners, Intermediate)	FR-6 Have You really Looked Everywhere? Unusual Places to Find Information Charlotte Bocage (Intermediate, Advanced)	FR-11 Who, What, When, Where? Using Journalism Techniques To Write Your Story Anita Henderson (Intermediate)
4	11:45 am to 1:00 pm	Exhibits Lunch on Your Own			
5	1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	FR-7 Read ‘Em or Weep: Promise and Pitfalls in Newspapers Mary Roddy (Beginners, Intermediate)	FR-8 The Power of a Personal Narrative: Getting Started Elise Woodson (Beginners)	FR-9 Insiders’ Guide to US Genweb Joy Fisher (Beginners, Intermediate, Advanced)	FR-12 Nuts and Bolts of Story Telling Anita Henderson (Intermediate)
6	2:45 pm To 4:00 pm	Plenary Session Finding Samuel Lowe Paula Madison			

Evening Special Event - Celebrating Women’s History Month
7:00 pm - 8:30 p.m. “1940s at Club Sweet Lorraine’s” (USC Radisson Ballroom)

Saturday, March 19, 2016
(Tentative)

Session	Time	Breakout Room: 1	Breakout Room: 2	Breakout Room: 2	Breakout Room: 4
1	8:00 am to 9:00 am	Plenary Session Harriet Mason: From the Dark Into the Light Michael Sanborn			
2	9:15 am to 10:15 am	SA-10 Why and How to Source Your Documents Charlotte Bocage (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-11 Breaking Through the 1870 Brick Wall Elyse Hill (Intermediate)	SA-12 Is the Trauma of Slavery in Your Genes? A Look at Epigenetics and Health in African Americans Janice Lovelace (Beginning, Intermediate)	SA-19 D.O.A. (Dead on Arrival) Will Your Family Be Prepared? Tamela Tenpenny-Lewis (Beginning)
	10:15 am to 10:30 am	Mid-Morning Break			
3	10:30 am To 11:30 am	SA-13 Preserving Family History in Photo Books Monica Maurasse (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-14 Researching Your Roots: Challenges Unique to African Americans Marti Lewis (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-15 Our Journey Through Song Tamela Tenpenny-Lewis (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-20 Black Women, White Men- Embracing the Forbidden Fruit of Genealogy Michael Henderson (Intermediate)
4	11:45 am to 1:00 pm	LUNCHEON John W. Franklin Presenting the New Smithsonian Museum of African American History and Culture			
5	1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	SA-16 African American Confederate Pension Applications Elyse Hill (Intermediate)	SA-17 Identifying & Researching Your Ancestors Who Served in the Military Marti Lewis (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-18 Get Me To the Church on Time! Charlotte Bocage (Beginners, Intermediate)	SA-21 Collaborating to Tell Your Story Panel: Anita Henderson. Michael Henderson (Beginners, Intermediate)
	2:30 pm to 2:45 pm	Mid-Afternoon Break			
6	2:45 pm to 4:00 pm	Closing Plenary Session The Changing Face of Genealogy Kenyatta Berry			