

AFRICAN-AMERICAN GENEALOGY

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A Selected List

This is a sample listing of the kinds of materials you can find in our collection. Most African-American genealogy materials are located in 973.0496, 929.108996 and in the respective locality. To locate any of the titles or subjects, please use our online catalog <http://www.irclibrary.org>. Some items are not catalogued and can be found in the areas indicated. In addition, there are numerous books that can be found in some of our Internet subscriptions such as Heritage Quest Online and Ancestry Library Edition. Ask the librarian for assistance.

Where to Begin

- *Black roots: a beginner's guide to tracing the African American family tree* by Tony Burroughs
- *How to Trace Your African-American Roots: Discovering Your Unique History* by Barbara Howell.
- *Finding a place called home: a guide to African-American genealogy and historical identify* by Dee Woodtor
- *Family pride: the complete guide to tracing African-American genealogy* by Donna Beasley
- *A Student's Guide to African American Genealogy* by Anne E. Johnson (Circulation)
- *African American Genealogical Sourcebook.*
- *Black Indian genealogy research* by Angela Y. Walton-Raji
- *Afro-American genealogy sourcebook* by Tommie Morton Young
- *Ethnic genealogy: a research guide*
- *Black genesis* by James M. Rose
- *Black genealogy* by Charles L. Blockson
- *African-American Genealogy: A Bibliography and Guide to Sources* by Curt Witcher.

Audio-Cassette Tapes

- *The Freedmen's Bureau and Other Federal Records for African-American Research.* By Del Jupiter- Florida State Genealogical Society Conference, 1993.
- *Identifying Slave Owners* by Tony Burroughs – Federation of Genealogical Societies, 2002

Church

- *African American Baptist Annual Reports 1865-1990*

Census

- *Free Negro Heads of Families in the United States in 1830: Together With a Brief Treatment of the Free Negro.* By Carter Woodson.
- *1850-1860 Slave Schedules.* Microfilm- located in their respective states

Civil War

- *Guide to Tracing Your African American Civil War Ancestor.* By Jeanette Braxton-Secret.
- *The Roster of Union Soldiers, 1861-1865.* United States Colored Troops (Vol 4-5)
- *Voices From the Past: 104th Infantry Regiment, USCT: Colored Civil War Soldiers From South Carolina* by J. Raymond Gourdin
- *Black Union Soldiers in the Civil War.* By Hondon Hargrove
- *On the Trail of the Buffalo Soldier II: New and Revised Biographies of African Americans in the U.S. Army, 1866-1917*

Freedmen's Bureau

- *Freedman's Bank Records* now available at HeritageQuest online subscription.
- *The Freedmen's Bureau in Virginia: Names of Destitute Freedmen Dependent Upon the Government in the Military Districts of Virginia* by Elizabeth Cann Kambourian
- *Index to the Signatures of Deposits from the Freedman's Savings and Loan Bank, 1865-1869, From the State of Mississippi: Columbia, Natchez, Vicksburg.*

- *And Index of African Americans Identified in Selected Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands* by Jacqueline A. Lawson

Newspapers

- African American Newspapers: *Florida Evangelist* and *Florida Sentinel*

Revolutionary War

- *African American and American Indian patriots of the Revolutionary War*
- *Black Courage, 1775-1783: Documentation of Black Participation in the American Revolution.* By Robert Green

Slave Research

There are numerous books on this subject in all areas of the library. Use the online catalog for location.

- *A Comprehensive Name Index for the American Slave* by Howard E. Potts
- *Slave Ancestral Research: Its Something Else* by Mary L. Jackson Fears
- *Slave Genealogy: A Research Guide With Case Studies* by David H. Streets
- *African American frontiers: slave narratives and oral histories* by Alan B. Govenar (Circulation)
- *I was a Slave: True Life Stories Told By Former American Slaves in the 1930's* (Circulation)
- *The Underground Railroad* by Charles Blockson
- *The American slave: a composite autobiography* – Vol. 2-3 (SC), 13 (GA), 17 (FL)
- *The underground rail road; a record of facts, authentic narratives, letters, &c. narrating the hardships hair-breadth escapes and death struggles of the slaves in their efforts for freedom, as related by themselves and others, or witnessed by the author; together with sketches of some of the largest stockholders, and most liberal aiders and advisers of the road* by William Still (Also in circulation)

Other Sources of Interest

- *Index to the Cherokee Freedmen Enrollment Cards of the Dawes Commission, 1901-1906* by Jo Ann Curls Page
- *Index to the Journal of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society Quarterly: Issues of 1980-1990* by Barbara D. Walker
- *Researching Black Families at the Maryland Hall of Records* by Phoebe R. Jacobsen
- *Freedmen of Barbados: Names and Notes fro Genealogical and Family History Research* by Jerome S. Handler, Ronald Huges, and Ernest M. Wiltshire

Video

- *Pre-Slavery* (305.896 Bla)
- *Slavery* (305.896 Bla)
- *A Slave's Story Running a Thousand Miles to Freedom* (973.711 Sla)
- *Underground Railroad* (several available)