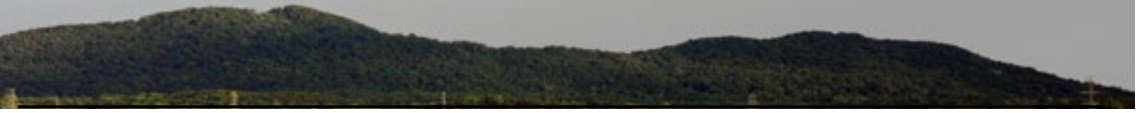




# EARTHWORKS



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## 8/14/21 Work Day

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club hosted a work day on 8/14/21. Approximately 45 members of the Hillgrove High School JNROTC and a about 8 other volunteers participated. This month's activity involved replacing the stacked rail fence around the Illinois Monument and the Unknown Soldier grave site nearby. It also involved cleaning mud and debris off of the plaza area surrounding the Illinois Monument, laid logs to prevent mud from flowing onto the plaza, relocated a sign, closed a social trail, and other miscellaneous work. Thanks to all of the NJROTC and other participants - job well done!

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Thanks to Dave, Andy, Bob, Bill, Fred, and Eric for staging the fencing materials and cutting the support blocks on Thursday ahead of time. On Saturday, thanks to Donald, Andy, Fred, Mike, Bill, and Dave and to the TAs (Janie, Laurie, Karen, Debbie & Rena) for running the crew. Finally, thanks to Andy for returning on Monday and completing screwing the fencing together. Danny and Eric were off somewhere in the jungle dealing with those evil invasive plants.

We also want to thank David Browne of the KMNBP staff for helping out and supporting our work.

In the last 25 years or so, historians have recognized the Atlanta Campaign as one of the most important if not the most important campaign of the Civil War – militarily, economically, and politically. Cheatham Hill may be the most important preserved site of that campaign. We still have a lot more work to do there, so stay tuned.



*Photo by Fred Feltmann*

**Bill Gurry**  
Trail Director  
KMTC

## Current NPS Covid 19 Status - As of 7/28/21

- There is a mask mandate for all persons to wear masks while indoors in the Visitor Center.
- The theater has closed until further notice - the NPS will not be showing the film at this time.

## KMTC Annual Business Meeting

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club's Annual Business Meeting is presently scheduled for September 18, 2021 at 9 am in the Education Room of the Park Visitor's Center. Club Officers/Directors will be elected and installed for the coming year, an update on Park status & activities, and a look-ahead to upcoming Club activities will be provided. Also, select Club Officers/Directors will report on their areas of responsibility. Per our current By-Laws, all Voting Members (Officers, Directors, Trail Ambassadors and Crew Leaders) and Community Volunteers (individuals who have participated in, at least, one club event/activity during the current calendar year) are welcome to attend the Annual Business Meeting.

While nominees will be accepted at the meeting from the floor, the present nominees for election to office for the 2021 – 2022 year are:

President	-Vacant-
Vice-President	Donald Olds
Secretary	Laurie Poppell
Treasurer	Tom Okerberg (incumbent)
Trails Director	-Vacant-
Communications	Fred Feltmann (incumbent)
Community Volunteers	Rena Bailey (incumbent)
Trail Ambassadors	-Vacant-
Invasive Plants	Danny Leigh (incumbent)

*See page 5 for further details regarding nominations specifically for the above vacant positions, along with our mission statement. (Floor nominations will also be accepted for the other positions as well.)*

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### October Newsletter Deadline

If you wish to have an article published in the October Newsletter, please submit it to Fred Feltmann at [faf1948@bellsouth.net](mailto:faf1948@bellsouth.net) no later than September 20th!

PS Even if you're just a "volunteer," you can also present an article for publication - and you won't be the first!

# Nominations Are Now Open for Board of Director Positions

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club (KMTC) Board of Directors seeks new directors to lead the club in accomplishing its important mission.

*Training positions are also available for the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club board of directors. Serve a year with a current director then take over that position the next year.*

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club is to work in partnership with the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, National Park Service to:

- I. Maintain recreational trails that maximize access to the historic and recreational value of the park and are:
  - a. – Environmentally friendly
  - b. – Sustainable with minimal future upkeep
  - c. – Protective of the historic features the park was created to preserve
- II. Educate visitors and neighbors about the trails and the history within the park
- III. Develop a sustainable organization capable of managing the volunteer and development activities of the trail club and the park
- IV. Recruit volunteers to help maintain the trails, to promote trail safety, and to involve visitors in the history at the park
- V. Train members about sustainable trail maintenance, team leadership and educational interaction with visitors
- VI. Work with the local community, businesses, charitable organizations and governments to gain their physical and/or financial assistance in supporting this mission

Contact **Jay Haney** - 770.313.4864 or [haney69jb@gmail.com](mailto:haney69jb@gmail.com) - for more information

*Jay Haney*  
770.313.4864

## I Love Public Places

Barry Diller and Diane von Furstenberg are a married couple who have worked hard to become philanthropists. They are able to donate money; vast amounts to make significant



contributions to their community. In this case they removed an old broken pier 54 along the Hudson River in New York City and built "Little Island" Hudson River Park. Go ahead and look it up, it's only 2.7 acres, a fantasy land. The designers made it dazzling at first site and a place to be happy.

Also, the couple donated some \$20 million (a fraction of how much "Little Island" cost) to transform a section of abandoned railroad track into "public park Green space". The "Little Island" and transformed rail are located within New York City. How do these places and the couple's contributions relate to Kennesaw Mountain?

The comparisons are not too difficult to understand. First of all the "Philanthropists" agreed that they love public places. That is places that are free to enjoy and bring both rest and the excitement one may desire. Of course New York City is a big concrete area and if you've ever been you'll see Central Park, then hunt and you'll find numerous pocket parks, That's kind of like the area we're in, "big" Kennesaw NBP and "smaller" neighborhood parks. And, as far as the "Railroad" park there is a railroad track that runs through our park and also there is the nearby "Silver Comet Trail." BTW the NYC Railline park is nowhere near as long as our park trail system.

I guess what really caught my attention about the "Little Island" was that it was built on concrete platforms and it is scaled like a hill in Kennesaw Mountain National



Battlefield Park (KMNBP); dirt, grass, trees and a trail. It was made to have little if any environmental impact to the surrounding



area. That is indeed similar to what has been done at KMNBP, work on existing trails and doing approved work like when we put in the concrete foundations for bridges on the Assault Trail and used rock for bridge work on numerous other bridges, no digging but made to last. And, another feature of "Little Island" is it has a built in amphitheater, and, yes, there is one at KMNBP.

These new parks were constructed with the main thought of being open to the public. They did that as we also have that feature here, free to enjoy, take a jog, do a hike, sit and relax, enjoy a program at the amphitheater. They now have it there and we've had those qualities here for a long time.

Being a philanthropist is like being a volunteer, giving freely what you are able to give. Some give money, some give their time, some both but I believe that they're doing so because they love public places.

And one more thing, "We have it here and you don't have to go to New York City."



Congratulations go to both Barry and Diane for their contributions and to all who have done so at our Battlefield Park.

*Doug Jasse*

Little Island Park:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2a1YLk9VAyc>

High Line Park:

<https://www.walksofnewyork.com/blog/the-high-line>

## Newsletter Sign-up

Would you like to receive our newsletter? To sign up, click on the following link: <http://eepurl.com/gKjX1n> Complete and submit this form. You'll be added to our subscription list.

Wish to unsubscribe? Simply follow the instructions at the bottom of the email forwarding the newsletter link, and you'll be permanently removed from our mailing list. To re-subscribe, you will need to use a different email address - removal is permanent for the original email address!

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*Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!*

## A Special Thanks!

Each year we have various groups who come out and help us. Henceforth, we will make every attempt to list your group here for the current/past fiscal year. If you are participating as a group, be sure to let us know when you are registering!

Following is a list, in alphabetical order, of the groups who participated during Fiscal 2019 (October 2019-September 2020 and Fiscal 2021 (October 2020-Present):

### **FY 2020**

ALLATOONA HS JNROTC  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 89  
KING'S ACADEMY HS ARMY JROTC  
HILLGROVE HS JNROTC  
POPE HS - NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
RIVER RIDGE HS  
RIVER RIDGE HS ARMY JROTC  
TRUST (KSU)  
WALKER HS

### **FY 2021**

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC  
ATLANTA OUTDOOR CLUB (AOC)  
HILLGROVE HS JNROTC  
KMTCCREW LEADERS  
KSU CROSS COUNTRY TEAM  
KSU HEALTH CLASS  
REI  
WALTON HIGH SCHOOL



### **This Past Month's Volunteers**

We had 45 volunteers from Hillgrove HS JNROTC, along with a couple of other volunteers, including a couple from the Atlanta Outdoor Club, participate in our August Work Day. Their efforts were a job well done! Thanks!

### **Trail Ambassador Highlights**

The August 14, 2021, trail work day was the first time we have had a group of more than 30 volunteers for a work day. The Hillgrove JROTC performed outstanding work tearing down and putting up new fencing around the Cheatham Hill monument. Rena Bailey, Karen Evanoff and Debbie Dement had registration well under control. One could imagine 45 high school students, along with about 8 other volunteers, clustered around the registration table to be a chaotic scene but nothing of the sort took place! These ladies have registration down to a fine art. Greeting drivers in the parking lot and directing parking were Laurie Poppell and Janie Brier. Before the start of the work Janie gave a brief talk on heat related

problems, how to avoid them and when to ask for help. There was a lot of sweating and drinking water happening and no one sustained any injuries or heat problems.



While preparing for the heat related conditions mini talk, I found a great application developed by the Centers for Disease Control called the OSHA-NIOSH Heat Safety Tool. It gives a heat index, based on temperature and humidity, which tells if one is at minimal, low, moderate, high or extreme risk to engage in strenuous physical activity. It has a screen for signs and symptoms of heat cramps, heat rash, heat exhaustion and heat stroke. There is another screen for first aid. It is quick, easy to follow and has all the information you need at a glance. Best of all, it's FREE!

*Janie Brier*

Trail Ambassador Director

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### **September, 2021 Work Day**

In honor of the 20th commemoration of the September 11th terror attacks, there will be no trail workday on Saturday, September 11th, our normal work date. Please plan to attend scheduled park activities that coincide with the commemoration.

In conjunction with National Public Lands Day, which promotes both the popular enjoyment and the volunteer conservation of public lands, the club has scheduled a trail workday for Saturday, September 25th from 8 am - 12:00 pm.

More information on the workday location will be released in the coming weeks. Please sign up to attend.

Thank you!

To greater success,

*Donald V. Olds*

President, KMTCC

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### **Crew Leader & Trail Ambassador**

#### **Positions Available!**

Contact Bill Gurry (regarding Crew Leader positions) or Janie Brier (Trail Ambassador positions) if interested.

Bill Gurry - [trails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org](mailto:trails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org)

Janie Brier - [ambassador@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org](mailto:ambassador@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org)

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## 2021/2022 Fund Raising

Your volunteer hours help greatly for the many projects we do in the park and we greatly appreciate you contributing your “sweat equity” alongside our 80+ staff volunteers who routinely support each event. We are a non-profit all volunteer organization. However, like any business, we do have bills to pay.

Many of our projects are funded by the park or through grants we apply for. These funds are typically targeted for specific projects and do cover the big expenses such as rocks, stone dust, dirt, wood beams, bridges, fences, and such. But, after all the big stuff is paid for, we still have need to cover our day-to-day operating expenses for things like saw blade sharpening, fuel, tool repairs, equipment maintenance, work gloves, bug spray, drinking water, snacks, and porta-potties, along with basic business expenses - e.g. insurance. For these expenses, we rely on your donations.

Each year we kick off a new round of fund raising and this is the 2021/2022 big “ask.” We need your help with this, even small donations help. We will conclude this drive at the end of FY 2022 (September, 2022).

**As we approach our 19th year in operation, we ask you to please think ‘20’, like \$20.. \$40.. \$60..... \$200... \$2000. All donations to the Trail Club support our work at the park, and are tax deductible.**

We are a nationally recognized club - having been presented the highest award in the National Park Service in 2014, “The Hartzog Award for Volunteer Group.” There are several ways to donate:

- Use Guidestar on the bottom of our home page on the Trail Club website <http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>
- Subscribe to Amazon “Smile” where they will donate to us based on your purchases <https://smile.amazon.com/> - look for KEMO Trails Corps
- Send a tax deductible contribution to:

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club\*  
Attn: Tom Okerberg  
Whitlock Accounting Services  
739 Kennesaw Avenue NW  
Marietta, Ga. 30060

ALSO: Please check with employers about matching donations.

\* Corporate name is KEMO Trail Corps, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization.



# Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
9/4 - 9/18		Field in front of Visitor Center	Field of Flags - see page 8 for additional details
9/25	8:00 am - noon	Amphitheater	<b>KMTC Work Day - Environmental Trail Maintenance</b>
10/9	8:00 am - noon	TBD	<b>KMTC Work Day</b>
11/13	8:00 am - noon	TBD	<b>KMTC Work Day</b>
12/11	8:00 am - noon	TBD	<b>KMTC Work Day</b>

All NPS outdoor events at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park are still being conducted.

**See Page 13 for list of NPS Staff Events for September!**

All trails are open. All parking lots, and the Mountain Rd, are open. Visitor Center is now open, however masks are required. The Visitor Center theater is closed - the movie will not be shown. The Mountain Rd is open to motorized vehicles on weekdays.

The Mountain Top Concession Stand is now open on weekends and Holidays through September, from 10 AM till 5 PM.

## Register for Our Work Days!

Be sure to register online for our Work Days at <https://signup.com/go/QKAUKsQ>. By registering, we can be better prepared with the amount of tools, bottled water, gloves, etc. on hand.



## Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Work Day Schedule:

We are back in the business of trail maintenance! See the sign-up links, above. We are still limiting our numbers, but anyone one is now welcome to sign-up.

The Trail Club will provide supervision and tools. Volunteers should wear work clothes and closed toed shoes. Participants are encouraged to bring their own water, work gloves and masks. The NPS Volunteer Service Agreement and COVID forms are required, signed by a parent or guardian, if the student is under 18 years old. The forms are available on the trail club web site: <http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/volunteer.php>

**Registration for this month's Work Day (9/25/21) will held in the Old Highway 41 Parking Lot. It is an approximately 10 minute walk to the Amphitheater near the Visitor Center. Registration will open at 8 am. Temporary Vehicle Entrance Passes will issued at registration.**

*It will be good till noon on the 25th.*

If your school, church, business, or community organization would like to schedule a special work day as a team building or public service activity once we resume our work day schedules, e-mail us at [kmtctrails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org](mailto:kmtctrails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org) at least 4 weeks in advance. Trail work can be performed any day of the week.

We work closely with the Park Service and assist the park staff by providing critically needed volunteer effort to install signs, build bridges, and maintain the 20+ miles of trails. Since our beginning in 2002, the Trail Club has donated over 45,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day as soon as we return to our normal work days.

## Field Of Flags - 9/4/21 - 9/18/21

Each life lost to the senseless tragic events of September 11, 2001, will be honored by our 5th Field of Flags installation in 2021. This powerful commemorative event begins on Saturday, September 4th, and will be open to the public until Saturday, September 18th. [Click here](#) for park hours. Please join us as we remember and honor those who lost their lives that fateful day.

The entire community is invited to participate in what has become one of the largest commemorative events in the nation. There are many ways to become involved (details are being updated, so please check back soon):

- [Visit](#) the 2021 Field of Flags installation
- 
- [Sponsor a flag](#) to be flown at the 2021 Field of Flags
- (Don't want to sponsor online? [Click here](#) to download a fillable PDF that can be emailed or mailed.)
- 
- [Carry a flag](#) in the Processional for the installation of flags at Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield
- 
- [Attend the Memorial Service](#) and Reading of the Names of those who lost their lives on 9/11
- 
- [Share a personal](#) memory of that day
- 
- [www.911FieldofFlags.com](http://www.911FieldofFlags.com)



*Field of Flags - September, 2016  
Photo by Fred Feltmann*

Organized by the Kiwanis Club of Marietta through the Marietta Kiwanis Foundation, the 9/11 Field of Flags is displayed every five years and has become one of the largest commemorative events in the nation. Flag sponsorship helps to fund this project and ensure its continuation in the future. The Marietta Kiwanis Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization, #58-1409116.

Keep up with us on [Facebook](#) and post your pictures with [#911FieldofFlags](#).

Thank you to Club member [Johnny Walker](#) for many of the beautiful pictures.

For additional information or media inquiries, please email [pathuey@comcast.net](mailto:pathuey@comcast.net).

Fred's photos of the 2016 Commemoration - <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?vanity=kmtcsocial&set=a.10153688346961261>



# 8/12/21 - Work Day Prep

Photos by Fred Feltmann



# 8/14/21 Work Day

Photos by Fred Feltmann



**Before/After Photos** *After* → *Before* ↓  
*Photos by Fred Feltmann*





## The Friends Of Kennesaw Mountain

The Friends of Kennesaw Mountain's mission is to raise funds to support programs and projects at the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

Your Membership helps to fund this mission.

Please join us.

Our website is [FriendsOfKMNB.org](http://FriendsOfKMNB.org).

Visit to find out more info, to donate, or to sign up for one of our Board positions or to register as a member of the Friends organization.

### Our Mission:

The mission of the Friends of Kennesaw Mountain is to work in partnership with the National Park Service and the local community to provide volunteers and raise funding to support activities such as:

- Visitor & Away Events
- Transportation, Housing, and Feeding of volunteer groups (example: Living History, Student Conservation Association, Invasive Plants Team)
- Museum Upgrades and Indoor and Outdoor Exhibit Additions (& the Wallis House)
- Restrooms, Parking, and Picnic Area Facilities
- Trails, Fire Roads, and Bridges Maintenance
- Educational Day Trips and Vacation Camps
- Volunteer-In-Park Training Programs

The ultimate goal is to create endowments for the most significant expense items and move them toward a sustainable and perpetual self-funded status that reduces the need for these items to rely on federal budget support.

## Contact List - Updated 10/27/20

### POSITION

### NAME

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Amazon Smile

<https://smile.amazon.com/>

KMTC Website

<http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/>

NPS Website

<https://www.nps.gov.KEMO>

Facebook Page

<http://www.facebook.com/kmtcsocial>

Volunteer Sign-up website

<https://signup.com/go/QKAUKsQ>

\* updated



## Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Interpretive Programs for September

All park programming is free and open to the public. No registration required.  
A parking fee is required - season passes are available.

\*All programs are outdoors and weather dependent.

***Please bring plenty of water and sturdy shoes for hikes.***

***Field of Flags September 4- 17 (flag removal on the 18<sup>th</sup>) - Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club -  
See page 8 for details***

### **September 4 @ 11:00 am ‘The Fighting McCooks’**

On June 27, 1864, Colonel Daniel McCook, Jr. led the Federal assault up Cheatham Hill, where he was mortally wounded. This brave man was not the only McCook to fight for the Federal army. This 30- minute program will introduce the ‘Fighting McCooks’, the story of 3 Ohio brothers and their 15 sons who joined the Federal forces and fought throughout the Civil War.

*\*This program is **not at the Visitor Center**;*

*parking is at 947 Cheatham Hill Dr., Marietta (the Illinois Monument parking lot)*

### **September 5 @ 11:00 am: Assault Trail Hike**

Re-trace the footsteps of the Union soldiers who faced fearful odds during the action at Cheatham Hill during the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. This historical hike will begin at the Activity Area 3 parking lot and end at the Illinois Monument. The Ranger will use primary accounts of the battle to get you as close to the attack as possible.

**September 11th and 12th @ All Day: 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 9/11 Tragedy**  
In conjunction with the Field of Flags, a Ranger will be staffing a station in the Visitor Center where visitors can interact find more information on the Flight 93 National Memorial Park. This program will be held outside on the Visitor Center Patio

### **September 18 @ 11:00 am- 1:00 pm: Illinois Monument**

A Ranger will be in the area of the Illinois Monument at Cheatham Hill in the early afternoon. Come see the monument and have a chat about the battle!

### **September 19th @ 11:00 am: Guided 24-Gun Battery Hike**

This 3- mile hike will take you out to the Union artillery position known as the 24- gun battery. The Ranger will guide you through the uses of Civil War artillery, anecdotes of the battle, and show you some of the flora and fauna that can be found throughout the park. Meet the Ranger at the front desk of the Visitor Center to attend.

### **September 25 @ 11:00 am- 1:00 pm CCC Camp**

A Ranger will be in the area of the ruins of the CCC Camp (“Camp Brumby” along the Camp Brumby Trail) in the early afternoon. Come out and have a conversation about this site with us!

### **September 26 @ 11:00 am: Pigeon Hill History Talk**

Meet the Ranger at the Pigeon Hill parking lot for an overview of the fighting that took place in this area of the battlefield during the assault on Kennesaw Mountain.

\*\*\* For more program details, please contact Visitor Center at 770-427-4686, ext. 0,  
or visit our website at [www.nps.gov/kemo](http://www.nps.gov/kemo)



August 18, 2021

N. Mankato, MN

## **CILC Pinnacle Awards Recipients Announced**

The Center for Interactive Learning and Collaboration (CILC) is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, founded in 1994, and is the nation's leading clearing house for interactive, virtual programs for students and Lifelong Learners. CILC is pleased to announce its 2020/2021 Pinnacle Award winners!

Each year, content providers from around the world are recognized for their "Programs of Distinction," and for receiving outstanding ratings on program evaluation by educators and activity directors. Content providers, representing museums, science centers, art galleries, zoos, aquariums, musicians, and authors, as recipients of this annual award, stand out as demonstrating remarkable quality of educational content and exceptional skill at program delivery.

Jan Zanetis, Managing Director of CILC notes "The last year of operations has been an unprecedented challenge for our content providers with many schools and museums closed due to the Pandemic. CILC's content providers not only rose to the challenge, they surmounted it. This year's group of Pinnacle award winners is the largest ever!"

Jennifer Rudnick, Education Specialist at National Mall and Memorial Parks was a first time Pinnacle winner *and* a first-year content provider. She states "DC Area Parks and Partners is honored to receive this award. We enjoyed the opportunity to meet with students around the country, especially during such a difficult year. We loved sharing the nation's capital with students who may not have a chance to visit anytime soon and introduce new audiences to the amazing resources here."

The Pinnacle Award was first awarded in 2008 and has become a CILC tradition.

In its second year of recognition, CILC is inducting 3 content providers into the Pinnacle Hall of Fame. These content providers have achieved 10 years of attaining the Pinnacle Award. Congratulations to the Ohio History Connection, the Lee Richardson Zoo and the Buffalo Zoo.



## 2020-2021 CILC Pinnacle Award Winners

Actors Company	Glacier National Park	Royal Botanical Gardens (Canada)
Adventures In Medicine & Science (AIMS)	Hank Fincken: A National Theatre Company of One	Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology (Canada)
Alaska SeaLife Center	Hartley Outdoor Education Center	Science Central Sea Turtle, Inc.
Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum	Hillwood, Estate, Museum & Gardens	Smithsonian American Art Museum
Aquarium of the Pacific	Inner Asian & Uralic National Resource Center	Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery
Author Sissy Mary Sue (Dr. Wendy Muhlhauser)	International Spy Museum	Sunset Zoo
Author Valerie Marsh	International Wolf Center	The BLM Campbell Creek Science Center
Authors on Call, iNK Think Tank	ISRAED-(Formerly JETS-Jerusalem EdTech)	The Cowles Center for Dance & the Performing Arts
BAM Education	JamaicaBob	The Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center
Banyan Global Learning	Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation	The Mariners' Museum
Boonshoft Museum of Discovery	Joshua Tree National Park	The National WWII Museum
Booth Museum	Kenai Fjords National Park	The Sheffield Museum of Rural Life (Canada)
Born 2 Move Movement Adventures	<b>Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park</b>	The Toledo Zoo
Boston Tea Party Ships & Museum	Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park	Thomas Jefferson's Monticello
Buffalo Zoo	Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site	Transcended Educational Collaborations
Byrnes Health Education	Lee Richardson Zoo	Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site
Casa Grande Ruins National Monument	Longwood Gardens	
Center for Puppetry Arts	Manhattan School of Music	
Challenger Learning Center (Rochester, NY)	McMillen Health	
Cleveland Museum of Natural History	Michigan Science Center	
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium	Midwest Archeological Center - NPS	
Connecticut Historical Society	Mote Marine Laboratory - SEA Trek	
Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum	Museum of World Treasures	
Cranbrook Institute of Science	National Archives	
Cross Bay Media	National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum	
DC Area National Parks and Partners	North Carolina Zoo	
Denali National Park and Preserve	Odaiko New England	
Denver Museum of Nature & Science	Ohio History Connection	
Don Harrington Discovery Center	Oiada International	
Amarillo East Central Ohio Educational Service Center	Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo & Aquarium	
Explore Natural History: University of Nebraska State Museum	Panhandle Plains Historical Museum	
FASNY Museum of Firefighting	Penn Museum	
Fizzics Education (Australia)	Pro Football Hall of Fame	
Ford's Theatre	Reef HQ Aquarium (Australia)	
Gateway Arch National Park	Rocky Mountain National Park	
Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve	Roper Mountain	
		Royal Botanical Gardens (Canada)
		Royal Tyrrell Museum of Palaeontology (Canada)
		Science Central Sea Turtle, Inc.
		Smithsonian American Art Museum
		Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery
		Sunset Zoo
		The BLM Campbell Creek Science Center
		The Cowles Center for Dance & the Performing Arts
		The Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center
		The Mariners' Museum
		The National WWII Museum
		The Sheffield Museum of Rural Life (Canada)
		The Toledo Zoo
		Thomas Jefferson's Monticello
		Transcended Educational Collaborations
		Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site

### ***Pinnacle Award Honorable Mention***

Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center  
Playful Engineers  
Wind Cave National Park  
History Connects from the Virginia Museum of History & Culture  
Greenville Zoo  
Long Island Science Center  
Author Dave Schwensen  
Cleveland Museum of Art

### ***Pinnacle Hall of Fame Award***

Ohio History Connection  
Lee Richardson Zoo  
Buffalo Zoo

## Georgia State University is hosting an Oral History Symposium.



Georgia State University is hosting the first ever Oral History Symposium, *Uncovering Hidden Narratives*, on Saturday, September 25th from 9 am to 5 pm. The symposium was organized by oral historians from Atlanta History Center, Center for Civil and Human Rights, Emory University, Georgia State University, Kennesaw State University, **National Park Service**, Oral History Association, Storycorps, University of Georgia, and We Love Buford Highway. The symposium will kick off with keynote speaker Althea Sumpter with her talk centered on trauma in oral histories. Throughout the day attendees can choose sessions that best suit their needs and interests for those that are just beginning or thinking about starting an oral history project to those that are part of established programs. We will wrap up with a meet and greet where attendees to network with other attendees and organizations who support and manage oral history projects.

Maximum capacity for this event is 75 registrants. Mask are strongly encouraged to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

We need a minimum of 25 registrations by September 10th in order for the program to proceed. All registrants will be notified by September 15th if the event cannot be held as planned and will be reimbursed for their registration costs.

For more information and to register go to <https://lib.gsu.edu/UHN>

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