

THE GEORGIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (GHS) AND NATIONAL HISTORY DAY

This document includes digitized primary sources, collections, and online resources from the Georgia Historical Society related to the National History Day theme: Breaking Barriers in History for 2019-2020

The Georgia Historical Society was founded in 1839 with the mission to collect, examine and teach Georgia and American history through education and research.

This document begins with a brief guide to general GHS resources at www.GeorgiaHistory.com, followed by five research topics and GHS resources for each topic.

FEATURED HISTORICAL FIGURES

<https://georgiahistory.com/education-outreach/online-exhibits/featured-historical-figures/>

Learn about individuals who significantly influenced Georgia's history through our Featured Historical Figures resources. Many of the featured historical figures include a teacher guide housed on the [For Educators page](#).

ONLINE EXHIBITS

<http://georgiahistory.com/education-outreach/online-exhibits/online-exhibits/>

GHS online exhibits showcase items and artifacts in the collections and provide a background for study. Digital images of artifacts and documents offer a visual aid and exemplify the ways in which the Society's collections can serve researchers and students alike. Many of the online exhibits include a teacher guide housed on the [For Educators page](#).

BUSINESS HISTORY INITIATIVE

<https://georgiahistory.com/education-outreach/historical-markers/business-history-initiative/>

Focusing on iconic companies like Delta, The Coca-Cola Company, Georgia-Pacific, and CNN, this multi-platform project shares the history of Georgia's leading businesses through the development of original educational resources as well as roadside historical markers. Educational materials are correlated to Georgia Standards of Excellence for social studies education and distributed to K-12 social studies and economics teachers across Georgia. Using a case study approach, the materials focus on specific aspects of a company's history to tell a larger story about the role of businesses in the evolution of our communities.

DIGITAL IMAGE CATALOG

<https://georgiahistory.pastperfectonline.com/>

The Georgia Historical Society's Digital Image Catalog contains select digital images of photographs, prints, artifacts, portraits, and other collection materials. It is not a complete catalog of all collections held by the Georgia Historical Society, but new digital images are added regularly. [Click here](#) to search our Research Center Catalog and Finding Aids Database.

HISTORICAL MARKER DATABASE

<https://georgiahistory.com/education-outreach/historical-markers/marker-index/>

Roadside historical markers can be found throughout Georgia, sharing the stories of our past in an easily identifiable and understandable format. The Georgia Historical Society has administered Georgia's historical marker program since 1998, erecting over 250 new historical markers across the state on a wide variety of subjects.

TODAY IN GEORGIA HISTORY

<https://www.todayingeorgiahistory.org/content/about-us>

Today in Georgia History is an exciting, award-winning educational project that focuses on an historical event or person associated with a particular day in Georgia history. A collaboration between GHS and Georgia Public Broadcasting, each video provides audiences innovative and engaging programming. GHS and GPB created an interactive website for Today in Georgia History to serve as an educational resource for teachers and students in classrooms statewide. The website maintains audio and video streaming of the segments, as well as transcripts, and includes tips for teachers, curriculum, writing prompts, review questions and discussion topics, classroom exercises, follow-up research topics and selected primary-source material.

1. CHARLES HERTY: BREAKING SCIENTIFIC BARRIERS

Digitized Resources:

- Featured Historic Figure: [Charles Herty](#)

Digitized Primary Sources:

- Artifact. [Turpentine cup, ceramic pot with a hole to allow it to be affixed to a pine tree with gutters above that would funnel the pine sap into the cup, A-1361-374](#)
- [Photographs regarding Herty and his lab](#), Foltz Photography Studio (Savannah, Ga.) photographs, MS 1360
- Photograph. Portrait and [Herty Pines Dedication Ceremony](#), Georgia Historical Society collection of photographs, MS 1361-PH
- [Photographs Herty, his paper and pulp laboratory in Savannah, and attendance at a movie screening regarding the paper industry](#), Lowry Axley Papers, MS 35

Historical Markers:

- [Birthplace of Charles Holmes Herty \(1867-1938\)](#)
- [Herty Field](#)
- [Pioneer Turpentine Experiment](#)

Search Terms:

- Herty
- Pine
- Paper
- Turpentine
- Pulp
- Chemistry
- Chemical
- Turpentine Labor Camps

2. GULLAH GEECHEE: THE IMPACT OF PHYSICAL AND CULTURAL BARRIERS

Digitized Resources:

- Online Exhibit: [African-American Life and Culture in the Georgia Lowcountry](#)
- [Geographical Sites](#)
- [Timeline](#) of African-American Life and Culture in the Georgia Lowcountry
- [Introduction to Ossabaw Island](#)
- [Interactive Primary Sources](#)

Digitized Primary Sources:

- Photo. [Wallace Quarterman and the Sea Island Singers](#), Walter Charlton Hartridge, Jr. collection, MS 1349
- Photograph Collection. [Lowry Axley Papers](#), MS 35
- Manuscript. [Thomas B. Smith bill of sale](#), MS 1025
- Plantation Records. [Manigault family plantation records](#), MS 1290
- Manuscripts, Maps, and Photograph Collection. [Ossabaw Island and Torrey family papers](#), MS 1326
- Manuscripts. [Port of Savannah slave manifests](#), MS 733
- Manuscripts. [Charlton H. Way slave bills of sale](#), MS 843
- Artifact. [Slave Tag](#), Robert L. Heriot records, MS 1371
- Photographs. [Hermitage Plantation, Ruth M. Aldrich photograph collection](#), MS 1687
- Photographs. [St. Catherine's Island, William E. Wilson photographs](#), photograph album, and gelatin dry plate negatives, MS 1375
- Letter. [Lillian Chapman Brag Papers](#), MS 83
- Manuscripts and photographs. [Lydia Parrish Papers, Walter Carlton Hartridge, Jr. Collection](#), MS 1349
- Scrapbook. [Works Progress Administration District 8 scrapbook and photo album](#), MS 1250
- Manuscripts and photographs. [Savannah Historical Research Association Papers](#), MS 994

Historical Markers:

- [Susie King Taylor \(1848-1912\)](#)
- [Cannon's Point Plantation](#)

- [Enslaved People of Butler Island](#)
- [Largest Slave Sale in Georgia History](#)

Today in Georgia History:

- [Eli Whitney](#)
- [Thirteenth Amendment](#)
- [Georgia Hurricane of 1893](#)

Search Terms:

- **"African American"**
- Art
- Basket
- "Butler Island"
- Carving
- "Folk Art"
- Geechee
- Gullah
- "Hog Hammock"
- "Macintosh County"
- Music
- Ossabaw
- Plantation
- Prayer
- Recipe
- "Ring Shout"
- Sapelo
- School
- "Sea Island"
- Singers
- Shout
- Slave
- Sweetgrass
- Tabby

3. JULIETTE GORDON LOW: BREAKING SOCIAL AND CULTURAL BARRIERS

Digitized Resources:

- [Juliette Gordon Low online exhibit](#)
- [Juliette Gordon Low and Suffrage](#)
- [Juliette Gordon Low: The First Girl Scout](#)
- [Birthplace of Juliette Gordon](#)
- [Sophia's Schoolhouse: Treasures from the Gordon Family Papers](#)
- [Juliette Gordon Low Teacher's Guide](#)

Digitized Primary Sources:

- Keyword search "[Juliette Gordon Low](#)" in the [GHS Digital Image Catalog](#) to find images of badges and other primary source material related to Juliette Gordon Low and the Girl Scouts.

Historical Markers:

- [Birthplace of Juliette Low](#)
- [Christ Church: The Mother Church of Georgia](#)
- [First Girl Scout Headquarters in America](#)

Today in Georgia History:

- [Juliette Gordon Low](#)

Search Terms:

- Juliette
- Gordon
- Girl Scouts
- Headquarters
- Low
- Birthplace
- Suffrage
- Badge

4. CENTRAL OF GEORGIA RAILROAD: BREAKING TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY BARRIERS

Digitized Resources:

- Three Centuries of Georgia History Online Exhibit: [Growth and Change in Georgia](#)
- [Central of Georgia records information](#)

Digitized Primary Sources:

- Keyword search “[Central of Georgia Railroad](#)” in the [GHS Digital Image Catalog](#) for various photographs.
- Photo. [Columbus District; Junction City; looking west](#), MS 1362
- Photo. [Gantry Crane over truck work; Locomotive smith shop beyond highway in background; Macon, GA](#), MS 1362
- Photo. [Central of Georgia Railroad, Turntable](#), MS 1360

Historical Markers:

- [Gordon County](#)
- [Wright Square](#)
- [Zero Mile Post](#)
- [Founding of Griffin](#)

Today in Georgia History:

- [William Washington Gordon](#)
- [Georgia Marble Company](#)
- [Georgia Peach: Official State Fruit](#)
- [W.C. Bradley](#)

Search Terms:

- Gordon
- Railroad
- Central of Georgia
- Wright
- Zero Mile

- Turntable
- Change
- Growth
- Train
- Technology
- Track/s
- Transportation
- Passenger
- Trade

5. THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN GEORGIA: BREAKING POLITICAL, SOCIAL, AND CULTURAL BARRIERS

Digitized Resources:

- [The Savannah Protest Movement](#)
- [Collection Highlights: 1968 NAACP Newsletter](#)
- [Carry Me Home: Birmingham, Alabama: The Climactic Battle of the Civil Rights Revolutions](#) by Diane McWhorter
- Featured Historical Figures: [Jackie Robinson and the Civil Rights Movement](#)
- Encounter and Exchange Online Exhibit [Early Movements for Civil Rights in Georgia](#)
- [Georgia Civil Rights Trail](#)
- GHS in the News: [Stan Deaton discusses prominent civil rights leader W.W. Law](#)
- Search [#MarkerMonday](#) on GHS website to find featured Georgia Civil Rights Trail Markers

Digitized Primary Sources:

- Photo. [Identification badge for W. W. Law member of the NAACP Youth Work Committee for the NAACP Youth Legislative Conference, A-2697](#)
- Speech. [Speech given by Law on October 27, 1984 at a retirement banquet for Lt. John A. White, MS 1670](#)
- Letter. [Letter from A. Pratt Adams to Mr. Bennet A. Brown, Executive Vice President of The Citizens and Southern National Bank regarding unrest and protests related to the Civil Rights Movement, MS 2165](#)
- Newsletter. [NAACP Newsletter](#) from Ethel Hyer collection, MS 2117
- Letter. [Letter discussing a meeting regarding Dick Gregory involving W.W. Law, Rev. Patterson, Mr. McClurkin, George Patterson, Malcolm Bell, Walter Henkel, Rev. Hooten, Henry Goldberg and Mr. Toomey, MS 2165](#)

- Letter. [Letter regarding hotels and motels in Savannah that have begun serving African American customers on a limited basis](#), MS 2165
- Letter. [Letter from John B. Miller to A. Pratt Adams regarding complaint by Bishop Alfred J. Scott regarding Central of Georgia's Integration policy](#), MS 2165

Historical Markers:

- There are many Civil Rights related historical markers across the state of Georgia. To find them all, search "[Civil Rights](#)" on the GHS [Explore Georgia's Historical Markers](#) page.

Today in Georgia History:

- There are many Civil Rights related episodes of Today in Georgia History. To find them—search "[Civil Rights](#)" on the [Today in Georgia History](#) page.

Search Terms:

- Civil Rights
- Movement
- Protest
- March
- W.W Law
- Jackie Robinson
- NAACP
- Integration
- Segregation
- Desegregation
- Trail
- African American