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### **EDUCATION**

University of Houston, Ph.D., History, May 2001

Texas Southern University, M.A., History, December 1991

Texas Southern University, B.A., Journalism with a History Minor, May 1989

### **DISSERTATION**

"For the Advancement of the Race: African-American Migration and Community Building in Houston, 1914-1945" (Dr. Linda Reed, Dissertation Advisor).

### **AREAS OF RESEARCH AND TEACHING SPECIALIZATION**

African-American History since 1865

African-American Urban History

The Great Migrations of the Twentieth Century

The Long Civil Rights Movement

African-American Studies

Race and Ethnicity in United States History

Recent United States History

African American Slavery

African History and the African Diaspora

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

#### **BOOK AWARDS**

Ottis Lock Superior Book Award, East Texas Historical Association, 2014 (external award)

#### **FELLOWSHIP AWARDS**

Post-Doctoral Fellow and Research Associate, Department of African-American Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago, awarded March 2005 for 2005-2006 academic year (external award).

Post-Doctoral Fellowship Award, Center for African American Urban Studies and the Economy, Department of History, Carnegie-Mellon University, awarded May 2005 for 2005-2006 academic year (Declined).

African-American Studies Graduate Fellowship Award, African-American Studies Program, University of Houston, awarded April 1998 for 1998-99 academic year (external award).

#### **GRANTS, RESEARCH AWARDS, AND OTHER HONORS**

Distinguished Alumni Award, The Graduate School, Texas Southern University, October 2010

Fred White Jr. Research Fellowship in Texas History. Texas State Historical Association, March 2010 (external grant).

*The Journal of Urban History* Article "'For the Advancement of the Race': African-American Migration to Houston, 1914-1941," Nominated for Best Article Prize, Urban History Association, June 2006.

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**AWARDS** (con.)

- Mary M. Hughes Research Fellowship in Texas History, Texas State Historical Association, awarded March 2004 (external grant).
- Miss Ima Hogg Student Res. Travel Award, Center for American History, University of Texas at Austin, awarded March 1998 (external grant).
- Huggins-Quarles Award, Organization of American Historians, awarded April 1997 (external grant).
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Educational Advancement Foundation Scholarship, awarded March 1997 (external grant).
- Ottis Lock Award, East Texas Historical Association, awarded September 1996 (external grant).
- Murray A. Miller Alumni Endowed Scholarship, Dept. of His., Univ. of Houston, awarded April 1996, April 1997, and April 1998 (external grant).
- Institute for African American Policy Research Summer Stipend (IAAPR), African American Studies Program, University of Houston, awarded April 1996 (external grant).

**PUBLICATIONS**

**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS**

*The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans in Houston, 1900-1941*. Sam Rayburn Series on Rural Life. College Station: Texas A. & M. University Press, 2013.

**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES**

"The Hayes of Third Ward: Community Building during the Great Migration to Houston, 1900-1941," *Houston History Magazine* 13, no. 2 (2015): 8-12, 46, <https://houstonhistorymagazine.org/2015/07/the-hayes-family-of-third-ward-african-american-agency-during-the-great-migration/>

"In Search of Freedom: Black Migration to Houston, 1914-1945." In *The Houston Review of History and Culture* 3, No. 1 (Fall 2005): 48-57, 85-86.

"For the Advancement of the Race: African-American Migration to Houston, 1914-1941." In *The Journal of Urban History* 31, No 4 (May 2005): 435-78.

**PEER REVIEWED SCHOLARLY BOOK CHAPTERS**

"Beautiful People": Community Formation in Houston, 1900-1941," in *Freedom's Racial Frontier African Americans in the Twentieth-Century West*, ed. Herbert G. Ruffin III and Dwayne A. Mack. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, forthcoming.

Forward in *"If Not Me, Who?" What One Man Accomplished in His Battle for Equality*. Edited by Bruce A. Glasrud and Milton S. Jordan. Nacogdoches: Stephen F. Austin State University Press, 2014.

Bernadette Pruitt, Caryn Newman, and Katrina Hamilton. "Seven Schoolteachers Challenge the Klan and Form Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority," in *Black Greek Letter Organizations: Our Fight Has Just Begun*, ed., Gregory S. Parks (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2008), 125-40.

**OTHER SELECT PUBLICATIONS**

**BOOK-REVIEW ESSAYS**

The African-American Experience in Slavery and Freedom: Black Urban History Revisited." Book review essay of *In the Company of Black Men: The African Influence on African American Culture in New York*, by Craig Steven Wilder; *African Americans in Pennsylvania: Shifting Historical Perspectives*, ed. Joe William

**CURRICULUM VITAE (PUBLICATIONS, con.)**

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

Trotter, Jr. and Eric Ledell Smith; *Brotherhoods of Color: Black Railroad Workers and the Struggle for Equality*, by Eric Arnesen. In *Journal of Urban History* 33, No. 6 (September 2007): 1033-47.

**PEER-REVIEWED SCHOLARLY ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS: WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Don't Judge Me According to My Needs but Judge Me According to My Hopes: Harris County Client Files, 1917-1967 and Emerging Black Houston." To be submitted to the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* in 2015.

"'If Not Me, Then Who?' Farmer, War Hero, Educator, Engineer, and Civil Rights Activist Wendell H. Baker of Huntsville, Texas." Revised and Resubmitted for peer-review to the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, May 2015. Originally submitted in April 2006.

**BOOK-LENGTH MANUSCRIPT PROJECTS AND PROPOSALS**

"Black Women Historians in the Texas Academy." Edited with LaGuana Gray and Yvonne Davis Frear. To be submitted for review in 2017.

**ENCYCLOPEDIA AND REFERENCE WORKS**

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Codwell, John E,"  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fcoen>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Countee, Samuel A."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fcoja>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Dent, Ernestine Jessie Covington."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fdabp>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Dupree, Clarence A."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fdu75>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Franklin, Nobia A."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/ffr50>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Giles, Robert C."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fqi66>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "McDavid, Percy H."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fmccu>.

*Handbook of African American Texas Online*, s.v., "Taylor, Hobart Jr."  
<http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/fta77>.

*African American National Biography*, s.v., "Grovey, R. R." Edited by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., and Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011. Accessed February 15, 2012,  
<http://dev.anb.org/article/opr/t0001/e5185?hi=&highlight=&pos=&pos2=&apos=&from=#>.

*African American National Biography*, s.v., "Joshua Houston." V. 4. Edited by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., and Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham. New York: Oxford University Press, 2008, 336-337.

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**ENCYCLOPEDIA AND REFERENCE WORKS**

*African American National Biography*, s.v., "Margaret Murray Washington." V. 8. Edited by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., and Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham. New York: Oxford University Press, 2008: 142-43.

*Encyclopedia of the Great Black Migration of the Twentieth Century*, 3 Vols., s.v., "Houston, Texas." Westport: Edited by Steven Reich. Westport, Greenwich, Connecticut: Greenwood Publishing Co, 2006, 408-11.

*Encyclopedia of the Great Black Migration of the Twentieth Century*, 3 Vols., s.v., "Chain Migration." Edited by Steven Reich. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood Publishing Co, 2006, 168-70.

*Encyclopedia of the Great Black Migration of the Twentieth Century*, 3 Vols. S.v., "Houston Informer." Edited by Steven Reich. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood Publishing Co., 2006, 411-13.

*Encyclopedia of the Great Depression*, s.v., "Domestic Service." Edited by Robert McElvaine. New York: Macmillan, 2003: 241-44.

*Encyclopedia of the Great Depression*, s.v., "Robert L. Vann." Edited by Robert McElvaine. New York: Macmillan, 2003: 1018-19.

**PUBLIC SITES ENTRIES**

*Arts in Texas*, Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas, Southeast Transit Line Corridor Black Houston History Project, s.v., "The New Negro of Texas: R. R. Grovey and the Hall of Negro Life of the 1930s." Director, Carroll Parrott Blue. Supervising Editor and Historical Consultant, Amilcar Shabazz. Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO). Purpleline Train, UH South/University Oaks Station, Houston, Texas, 2014. <http://38.100.36.184/adwheel2015/entries/METROArtsInTransit-0576b013.pdf>.

**OP/ED PIECES, NEWSPAPER ARTICLES, and POPULAR MAGAZINE PIECES**

"Bricks that Line Freedmen's Town Link to Our Past: African-American History Discarded in Name of Progress," *Houston Chronicle*, February 1, 2015, <http://www.chron.com/opinion/outlook/article/Pruitt-Bricks-that-line-Freedman-s-Town-link-to-6053811.php>.

Quoted in Will Haygood's "Trayvon Martin's Killing Galvanizes Florida Community, Civil Rights Groups." *Washington Post*, March 21, 2012, [http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trayvon-martins-killing-galvanizes-florida-community-civil-rights-groups/2012/03/21/gIQAAbQsISS\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trayvon-martins-killing-galvanizes-florida-community-civil-rights-groups/2012/03/21/gIQAAbQsISS_story.html).

**CONTRIB. TO ENCYCLOPEDIAS, DIGITAL SITES, AND LOCAL PUBLICATIONS: WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

"Rural to Urban Migration," in *The World of Jim Crow: A Daily Life Encyclopedia*, 2 vols. Edited by Steven Reich. Santa Barbara, California: Greenwood Press, 2018.

Oxford African American Black Studies Center, "Lesson Plans on The Great Migrations." Robert Repino, Managing Editor. Henry Lewis Gates, Editor-in-chief, 2013-present. Forthcoming May 2015, [http://www.oxfordaasc.com/public/index.jsp?url=%2F&failReason=Error+reason%3A+err\\_sub\\_none](http://www.oxfordaasc.com/public/index.jsp?url=%2F&failReason=Error+reason%3A+err_sub_none).

Oxford African American Black Studies Center, s.v., "McDavid Family." Robert Repino, Managing Editor. Henry Lewis Gates, Editor-in-chief, 2013-present. Forthcoming May 2015, [http://www.oxfordaasc.com/public/index.jsp?url=%2F&failReason=Error+reason%3A+err\\_sub\\_none](http://www.oxfordaasc.com/public/index.jsp?url=%2F&failReason=Error+reason%3A+err_sub_none).

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**PUBLICATIONS (con)**

**PUBLISHED BOOK REVIEWS**

Book Review on *Houston Bound: Color and Culture in a Jim Crow City*, by Tyina Steptoe. *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 121 (forthcoming).

Book review of *White: The Biography of Walter White, Mr. NAACP* by Kenneth Robert Janken. In *Journal of Southern History* 72 (May 2006): 501-02

Book review of *Looking Beyond Race: the Life of Otis Milton Smith* by Otis Milton Smith and Mary M. Stolberg. In *Michigan Historical Review*. 29 (Spring 2003): 155-56.

Book review of *Reading Southern History: Essays on Interpreters and Interpretations*. Edited by Glenn Feldman. In *Florida Historical Quarterly*. 82, No. 3 (Summer 2004): 412-415.

Book review of *The Black Regulars, 1866-1898*, by William A. Dobak and Thomas D. Phillips. In *East Texas Historical Journal* 31 (Spring 2003): 72-73.

Book review of Cathy Williams: *From Slave to Female Buffalo Soldier*, by Phillip Thomas Tucker. In *Journal of the West* 42, No. 4 (Summer 2003): 90.

Book review of *Racial Borders: Black Soldiers Along the Rio Grande*, by James N. Leiker. In *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 105, No. 3 (January 2003): 272-73.

Book review of *The Punished Self: Surviving Slavery in the Colonial South*, by Alex Bontemps. In *Journal of Social History* 37, No. 2 (December 2003): 270-72.

Book review of *Till Freedom Cried Out: Memories of Texas Slave Life*, edited by T. Lindsay Baker and Julie P. Baker. In *Journal of Southern History* 64 (August 1998): 586-587.

Book review of *Black Texas Women: 150 Years of Trial and Triumph*, by Ruthe Winegarten. In *The Houston Review: History and Culture of the Gulf Coast* 18 (Fall 1996): 159-62.

Book review of *Local People: The Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi*, by John Dittmer. In *Peace and Change: A Journal of Peace Research* 21 (April 1996): 248-51.

**SELECT CONFERENCES**

**INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

"The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941." Preservation Houston's Author Series, "History in Print." St. Paul United Methodist Church, Houston, Texas, October 20, 2016.

"The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941," speaker for month-long Texas History Month Civil Rights lecture series, San Jacinto College-Central, Pasadena, Texas, April 16, 2015.

"Enduring, Creating, and Hoping: African-Descent Texans and the Origins of the Great Migrations in the Nineteenth Century," keynote speaker for month-long Black History Month event titled, "Enduring Spirit:

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**INVITED SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (con)**

African Americans in the Nineteenth Century,” presented at the Star of the Republic Museum, Washington, Texas, February 21, 2015.

Keynote speaker at Galveston Reads Finale Event. Presenter of *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson. Rosenberg Library. Galveston, Texas, March 29, 2014.

Presenter of “The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941,” and Book-signing event. Black History Month Speaker at the African American Library at the Gregory School. Houston Public Library. Houston, Texas. February 8, 2014.

Presenter of “The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941,” and Book-signing event. Black History Month Speaker at Texas Southern University Department of History. Mickey Leland-Barbara Jordan Public Affairs Building. Houston, Texas. February 7, 2014.

Presenter of “The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941,” and Book-signing event. Black History Month Speaker at Houston Community College-Southeast Campus. Learning HUB Building. Houston, Texas. February 6, 2014. Invited guest lecturer discussing new book, *The Other Great Migration*, in the Department of History, University of Texas at Tyler. Tyler, Texas. October 22, 2013.

**CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS**

Chair of panel entitled, “Black Women Historians as Scholars,” Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, March 2018, San Marcos, Texas, March 8-10, 2018.

Chair of panel entitled, “Remembering the Unthinkable: The 1918 Cabiness Family Lynching Near Huntsville, Texas,” East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Galveston, Texas, October 12, 2017.

Chair of panel entitled, “Beyond Segregation: Race, Color, Class, and Separation in Transnational Space Participants,” National Council for Black Studies Annual Conference, Houston, Texas, March 9, 2017.

Presenter and organizer of the roundtable titled, “Black Women Historians in Texas and Their Cross-generational Memories, From the 1980s to the Present,” National Council for Black Studies Annual Conference, Houston, Texas, March 9, 2017.

Chair, “Taking it to the ‘Tweets’: Social Media and the Black Struggle for Justice in 21st-Century Texas,” featuring Karen Kossie-Chernyshev and Phillip Sinitiere. Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, Houston, Texas, March 2-4, 2017.

Field Trip Scholarly Guide, “Slavery in the African Diaspora,” the Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historical Site, with the Summer Workshop in African American Texas History (SWATH), July 9, 2016.

Presenter and organizer of “Making History and Producing Historians: A Roundtable Honoring the Work and Career of Professor Joseph Pratt,” East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, Beaumont, Texas, February 19, 2016.

Presenter and organizer of “Black Women Historians in Texas and Their Cross-Generational

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**SELECT CONFERENCES (continued)**

Memories from the 1980s to the Present," East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, Beaumont, Texas, February 19, 2016.

Presenter of paper entitled, "'The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941,'" at the 2015 Texas State Historical Association Region 4 Teacher Conference, Houston, Texas, February 12-13, 2015.

Presenter of paper entitled, "'The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941,'" on the panel entitled "Overcoming in Texas and Louisiana: Sociocultural and

Socioeconomic Maneuvers," at the 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), Memphis, Tennessee, September 27, 2014.

Chair of the roundtable entitled, "The Desegregation of Huntsville, Texas: A Roundtable Discussion," at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

Presenter of the paper entitled, "The Double Consciousness of a Beautiful Soul," on the panel "Black Women Historians in the Texas Academy: Living, Teaching, and Writing for Future Generations, Part 2," at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

Presenter of paper entitled, "Wendell H. Baker and Family's Legacy," on the panel entitled "Must Every Status Be Quo: The Life and Civil Rights Career of Wendell H. Baker," at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Double Consciousness of a Beautiful Soul," on the panel titled "Black Women Historians in the Texas Academy: Living, Teaching, and Writing for Future Generations, Part 2" at the East Texas Historical Association, Nacogdoches, Texas, October 3, 2014.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941," on the panel titled "Black Women Historians and Their Scholarship: Rusk Room Breakthrough Histories on African-American Texas," at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Meeting, Nacogdoches, Texas, September 27, 2013.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Double Consciousness of a Beautiful Soul," on the panel titled "Black Women Historians in the Texas Academy: Living, Teaching, and Writing for Future Generations," at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) 98<sup>th</sup> Convention, Jacksonville, Florida, October 5, 2013.

Presenter of the paper entitled, "The Other Great Migration: The Movement of Rural African Americans to Houston, 1900-1941," at the Summer Workshop in African American Texas History (SWATH), Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas, July 13, 2014.

Presenter of paper entitled, "Black Migration to Houston, 1900-1941," on the panel titled "Migration," at The Past and Present of Race and Place in Houston Conference, sponsored by the Department of History, Kinder Institute on Urban Research, the Humanities Research Center, and the Baker Institute on Public Policy, Rice University, Houston, Texas, February 26, 2013.

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**SELECT CONFERENCES** (continued)

Chair of panel session entitled, "Black Studies in Texas," at the East Texas Historical Association Spring Meeting, Galveston, Texas, February 23, 2013.

Presenter of paper entitled, "Beautiful People: African-descent Communities, Agency, Work, and the Great

Migrations to Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," on the panel entitled "Beautiful People: The Range of Agency among African-Descent Texans, 1900-1980," at the Texas State Historical Association annual meeting, Houston, Texas, March 1-3, 2012.

Presenter of paper entitled, "Building a Beautiful City: Agency and the Great Migration to Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," on the panel entitled "Beautiful People: The Great Migrations to Houston, Texas, 1900-1945,"

at the Black Migration Symposium, Vanderbilt University and Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, February 8-10, 2012.

Presenter of roundtable discussion entitled, "Mentoring: Wish Lists, War Stories, and Words of Wisdom," at the American Historical Association 126 annual meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 5-8 January 2012.

Presenter of paper entitled, "'Not a Child of Mine Will Grow Up in Bellville': The Great Migrations to Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," on the Plenary panel entitled "Milestones and Arrivals: 175 Years of Coming to Houston," at the Houston History Conference, Houston, Texas, 29 October 2011.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Second Great Migration to Houston Begins, 1930-1941," on the panel entitled "The Second Great Migration to Cities Revisited, 1930-1970," at the Organization of American Historians annual meeting, Houston, Texas, 17-20 March 2011.

"For the Advancement of the Race": African-American Agency, Work, and the Great Migrations to Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," at the Southwestern Social Science Association meeting, Houston, Texas, 31 March-3 April 2010.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Civil Rights Movement and Desegregation in Huntsville, 1954-1965," on the panel entitled "Democracy and Diversity in Walker County, Texas," at the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, Cincinnati, Ohio, October 3, 2009.

Chair of panel entitled, "Texas Black Preservation Project," with Roxanne Evans and Michael Hurd, presenting, and Antrece Baggett, commenting, at the East Texas Historical Association Fall Program, Nacogdoches, Texas, 25 September 2009.

Presenter of paper entitled, "The Evolution of Agency and the Birth of Civil Rights: The Great Migrations and the Transformation of Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," for the panel entitled "The Great Migrations and the

Birth of Civil Rights Activism: A Tale of Three Black Cities—Chicago, Louisville, and Houston, 1900-1970," at the Urban History Association Fourth Biennial Conference, Houston, Texas, 5-7 November 2008.



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**CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS** (continued)

Commenter for Roundtable Discussion of Eric Arnesen's *Waterfront Workers of New Orleans: Race, Class and Politics, 1863-1923* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1991), at the Southern Historical Association Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, 9-12 October 2008.

Presenter of paper entitled, "'For the Advancement of the Race': Agency, Work, and the Great Migrations to Houston, Texas, 1900-1941," for the panel "African-American Migration within the U.S.," at The Historical Society 2008 Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, 5 June 2008.

Chair and Commenter for panel entitled "Interesting Sidelights of History," for student session at the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society 2008 Biennial Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 3-6 January 2008.

**STUDENT PUBLICATIONS**

**UNDERGRADUATE**

Andrew Eckhoff, "Racialized Ambiguity to Racialized Identity: Race Relations in the Texas Borderlands," *The Measure: A Journal of Undergraduate Research* (College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Sam Houston State University) 1, no. 1 (2017): 21-38.

Michelle Balliet, "Race Relations, Runaway Slaves, and the Reaching Beyond Borderlands: Texas Underground Railroad, 1790-1861," *Journal of South Texas* 31, no.1 (Fall 2017):

**THESIS DUTIES AND TEACHING**

Thesis director to Lisa Mouton, B.A., for MA thesis entitled "Life after Death: How Olivewood's Cemetery Records Resurrect the History of Houston's Black Community," Department of History, Sam Houston State University, forthcoming.

Third reader of Shelby J. Graber's MA thesis, "Race, Rhetoric, and Fear, 1958-1968: How Elected Officials Exploited White Racial Anxiety in the 1960s," Department of History, Sam Houston State University, June 2017.

Third reader of Celeste Rorem's MA thesis, "The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Waco, Texas: A Study of Its History and People," proposed defense, June 22, 2015.

Second reader of Carolyn Carroll's MA thesis entitled "An Assault on Academic Freedom and Tenure: The Dismissal of Rupert C. Koenniger," March 2014.

Mentor of graduate student Chelsea Branch, whose research is entitled, "Christia Adair: A Woman of Courage." Expected graduation date, August 2014.

Consultant on Department of Educational Leadership and Counseling doctoral fellow Brandolyn Jones's pilot survey titled "Black Female Student Intersectionality Perception Inventory (BFSIPI), July 2013-present.

Third reader of Brenda Bryant's thesis entitled "Reflections of African American High School Students' Literacy Education Experiences after *Brown v. Board of Education*," dissertation defense, September 12, 2014.

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**THESIS DUTIES AND TEACHING (con)**

Second reader of Patricia Hale's thesis entitled "Violence in Small Town Texas: The Documentation of East Texas' Lynching Culture," June 22, 2012.

Second reader of Jeremy Oliver's thesis entitled "Marcellus Elliot Foster: A Crusading Editor and His Battle with the Ku Klux Klan," June 15, 2012.

Faculty mentor to Ronald E. McNair Scholar Daniel Brush, B.A., for the thesis entitled "The Evolution of the Black Cougar: The Origins of the University of Houston's Black Studies Program," May 2012.

Faculty mentor to Ronald E. McNair Scholar Trent K. Jenkins, B.A., for the thesis proposal entitled "Desegregation of Higher Education in Texas, and the Huntsville Civil Rights Movement, 2009-present," May 2012.

Third Reader of MA candidate in Dance LaNita Joseph's thesis entitled, "The Male Gaze: As It Relates to the Objectification of Black Women," a work that also includes the following production, called "The

**THESIS DUTIES AND MENTORING (continued)**

Monologues of My Nappy Hair," the title of the dance student's choreographed production, February 9-11, 2012, defense date, March 20, 2012.

Faculty mentor to Ronald E. McNair Scholar Julius Michael, B.A., for the thesis proposal entitled "An Analysis of Nigerian Immigration to Houston, Texas, July 2011.

Faculty mentor to Ronald E. McNair Scholar Kirsten R. Willis, B.A., for the thesis entitled "A Delineative Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis of Walker County's Freedmen Population, 1865-1870," December 2009.

Third Reader of Reginald G. Jayne's thesis entitled "Martial Law in Reconstruction Texas," March 2005.

Third Reader of James E. Williams's thesis entitled "America Reacts: U.S. Public Opinion about the My Lai Massacre," October 2004.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE INVOLVEMENT (PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS)**

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF INTEREST AND MEMBERSHIPS**

**African-American History and General Fields**

Association for the Study of African-American Life and History

Association of Black Women Historians

Southern Conference on African American Studies, Inc.

**Texas History Field**

East Texas Historical Association

Houston History Association

Texas State Historical Association

**United States and Regional Fields**

American Historical Association

Coordinating Council of Women Historians

Organization of American Historians

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**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF INTEREST AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Southern Association for Women Historians  
Southern Historical Association  
Southwestern Social Sciences Association  
Urban History Association

**NATIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

Committee Member, Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession, Organization of American Historians (OAH), 2016-2019  
Chair, 2015 Darlene Clark Hine Award Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2015-2016  
Program Committee, Texas State Historical Association, 2014-2015  
National Advisory Board, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 2014-2016  
National Council, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 2012-2014

**PEER REVIEWER DUTIES**

Peer-reviewed the manuscript entitled "Community Bonds in the Bayou City: Free Blacks and Local Reputation in Early Houston," a proposed article for the *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, August 15, 2012.  
Student Advisement Responsibilities and Memberships, 2000-present

**COMMUNITY SERVICE; PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT**

Guest speaker at Mance Park Middle School for Texas History Day to discuss local civil rights, April 5, 2017  
Guest speaker at the Samuel Walker Houston Elementary School Pep Rally, Huntsville, Texas, March 2015.  
Commencement Speaker, Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, Texas, June 16, 2014  
Black History Month Speaker, Unity of Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Huntsville, Texas, February 2014  
Organizer and Speaker of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Miss Baptist Church, 16 Feb 2014  
Organizer of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 24 February 2013  
Organizer of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 20 February 2012  
Organizer of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 27 February 2011  
Children's Church Teacher, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, March 2010-present  
Organizer of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 28 February 2010  
Organizer of Black History Month Program, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 25 February 2009  
Speaker, Diversity Forum, Huntsville Promise, Huntsville, Texas, 9 June 2008.  
Motivational Speaker at Gemstones of Huntsville, Texas, Workshop, February 2008.  
Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church Assistant Sunday School Teacher, Intermediate Class, 2006-

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS**

Committee Member, Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession, Organization of American Historians (OAH), 2016-2019  
Chair, 2015 Darlene Clark Hine Book Prize Committee, Organization of American Historians, 2015-16  
Committee Member, Ottis Lock Prize Committee, East Texas Historical Association, 2013-2016.  
Program Committee, Texas State Historical Association, 2015  
National Advisory Board, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 2014-2016  
National Council, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, 2012-2014

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS**

Board of Directors, East Texas Historical Association, 2010-2013  
Membership Committee, East Texas Historical Association, 2002-2004, 2009-present  
Panel Selection Committee Member, Urban History Association, 2007-present

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS** (continued)

Panel Selection Committee Member, Texas State Historical Association, 2003

Editorial Advisory Board Member, Floyd W. Hayes III, ed., *A Turbulent Voyage: Readings in African American Studies*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (San Diego, California: Collegiate Press, 2000-2003)

**STUDENT ADVISEMENT AND MENTORING**

Faculty Advising, Memberships, and Board Memberships, 2001-Present

- Establishing Leadership in and Through Education (ELITE) Board Member, SAM Center, August 2010-Present
- Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, Sam Houston State University Chapter, 2007-Present (See History Department Service)
- Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., Kappa Mu chapter, faculty advisor, 2000-2005; 2009-2013, 2017-
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) member, 2001-2004
- Black Student Alliance member, 2001-2004
- Women United Sociological and Political Activism, 2002-2005
- Gamma Psi Omega Sorority faculty advisor, 2002-2005
- Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority faculty advisor, 2002-2005
- Men of Color Academic Initiative, Unofficial advisor, Dr. Bernice Strauss, SAM Center, Facilitator, 2004-2005
- African Student Association, 2003-2005
- Holding My Dream Team Community Service Organization, 2003-2005
- Advisor to the Department of Student Activities on Black History Month Events, 2001-2005