

The Amistad Commission

Summer Institute 2023

*"Moments in African
American History"*

July 17 - 20

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Guided by the annual theme for National History Day which focuses on different periods in African American History, the 2023 Summer Institute has adopted the theme **“Moments in African American History”**. The sessions and workshop selections will reflect the theme for the institute.

National History Day®(NHD) is a non-profit education organization based in College Park, Maryland. NHD offers year-long academic programs that engage over half a million middle- and high-school students around the world annually in conducting original research on historical topics of interest. Since 1974, NHD has continuously improved history education by providing professional development opportunities and curriculum materials for educators. The largest NHD program is the National History Day Contest that encourages more than half a million students around the world to conduct historical research on a topic of their choice. Students enter these projects at the local and affiliate levels, with top students advancing to the National Contest at the University of Maryland at College Park.

Goals of the 2023 Institute

1. To provide tools, resources, and trainings for teachers in grades K-6; 6-8; and 9-12.
2. To assist teachers in changing the narrative in social studies/history and other subject areas in classrooms in NJ.
3. To improve NJ teachers' awareness of the Amistad legislation.
4. To help teachers create lesson plans that reflect the mandate of the Amistad Legislation.

The K-6 Toolkit and Resources TRACK 1

- Suggested Books and Resources
- Sample Lesson Plans for K-6
- Activities for K-6 Students

The 6-8 Toolkit and Resources TRACK 2

- Suggested Books on African American History and other subject areas
- Periods in African American History
- Sample Lesson Plans
- Activities for Grades 6-8

The 9-12 Toolkit and Resources TRACK 3

- Suggested Books on African American History and other subject areas
- Periods in African American History
- Sample Lesson Plans
- Activities for Grades 9-12

Summer Institute Etiquette

1. Turn off or put cell phones in silent mode.
2. No social media during sessions.
3. Use laptop or other device to only take notes. Stay off your email. J
4. Value our time together.
5. Be open to diverse perspectives and ideas.

Summer Institute Day 1

Jul 17 2023

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Location
7:00pm	Check-In and Welcome to Teachers Staying in Residence	Trevor K. Melton and Dr. Patrick J. Lamy High Mountain West Residence Hall
8:00pm	Getting to Know You Activity and Refreshments	Trevor K. Melton and Dr. Patrick J. Lamy High Mountain West Residence Hall



Summer Institute Day 2

Jul 18 2023

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Location
7:30am 9:00am	Check-In/Registration	Speert Hall Lobby
8:00am 9:00am	Breakfast and Morning Conversation	Grand Ballroom
9:00am 9:20am	Opening Remarks and Overview of the 2023 Summer Institute	Grand Ballroom Dr. Patrick Lamy//Dr. Lillie Edwards
9:20am 9:30am	Greetings from the President of William Paterson University	Grand Ballroom Dr. Richard J. Helldobler
9:30am 10:00am	Opening Speaker: Why Infuse African Americans Contributions in the Narrative of US and World History K-12 Curriculum	Grand Ballroom Karen Boykin-Towns,- Vice Chair NAACP
10:00am 10:20am	Plenary Session: The Significance of Slavery in US and World History	Grand Ballroom Dr. Danielle Wallace - William Paterson University
10:30am 12:00pm	TRACK 1 Teaching K-6 Students from the Lens of Diversity with a Focus on 1619 TRACK 2 Teaching Middle School Students from the Lens of Diversity with a Focus on 1619. TRACK 3 (Room 171-A) Teaching High School Students from the Lens of Diversity with a Focus on 1619.	Tyeisha Jefferies Trea Cooper-Martin Room 168-A Honorable Dahlia Vertreese Room 168-B Theresa Maughan 171-A
12:00pm 1:00pm	Lunch	Grand Ballroom
1:00pm 1:20pm	Plenary Session: The Significance of the Civil War in US and World History	Grand Ballroom Dr. Kevin Brady
1:20pm 2:50pm	TRACK 1 Creating Lesson Plans that Include the Narrative of African Americans in the Civil War for K-6 Students. TRACK 2 Creating Lesson Plans that Include the Narrative of African Americans in the Civil War for 6-8 Students.. TRACK 3 Creating Lesson Plans that Include the Narrative of African Americans in the Civil War for 9-12 Students.	Quahim Muhammad Room 168-A Quahim Muhammad Room 168-A Theresa Maughan Room 171-A
2:50pm 3:15pm	Break - Coffee and Refreshments	Grand Ballroom
3:15pm 3:40pm	Plenary Session: The Significance of the Civil Rights Movement in US and World History	Grand Ballroom Dr. John Mills
3:45pm 5:15pm	TRACK 1 Creating an Inclusive Curriculum in the K-6 Classrooms that Emphasize the Impact of the Civil Rights Movement in American History TRACK 2 Creating an Inclusive Curriculum in Middle School Classrooms that Emphasize the Impact of the Civil Rights Movement in American History. TRACK 3 Creating an Inclusive Curriculum in High School Classrooms that Emphasize the Impact of the Civil Rights Movement in American History.	Carrie Halstead Room 168-A Carrie Halstead Room 168-A Kory Loyola Room 171-A
5:15pm 6:00pm	The Amistad Curriculum Website Overview and Application	Dr. Kevin Brady Grand Ballroom
6:00pm 7:00pm	Dinner and Entertainment with Keith Marks Quartet	Grand Ballroom

Summer Institute Day 3

Jul 19 2023

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Location
8:00am 9:00am	Breakfast and Morning Conversations	Grand Ballroom
9:00am 10:00am	The Significance of African American Art, Culture, Music and Film in US and World History	Grand Ballroom Dr. Robyn Clarke
10:00am 11:00pm	TRACK 1 Using African American Art, Culture, Music and Film in Lesson Planning for K-6 Students TRACK 2 Using African American Art, Culture, Music and Film in Lesson Planning for Middle School Students. TRACK 3 (Room XXX) Using African American, Art, Culture, Music and Film in Lesson Planning for High School Students.	Eric Jones Room 168-A Eric Jones Room 168-A Caseen Gaines Room 171-A
11:00am 11:15am	Break - Coffee and Refreshments	Grand Ballroom
11:15am 12:15pm	Social Studies/History - State of New Jersey Standards Overview	Ms. Ashley Woolsey
12:15pm 1:30pm	Lunch	Grand Ballroom
1:30pm 2:00pm	Plenary Session: The Contributions of African Americans to Math and Science and impact on US and World History	Grand Ballroom Dr. Marion Johnson
2:00pm 3:30pm	TRACK 1 Teaching About the Contributions of African American Mathematicians and Scientists to the Field of Math and Science to K-6 students TRACK 2 Teaching About the Contributions of African American Mathematicians and Scientists to the Field of Math and Science to 6 to 8 Grade Students TRACK 3 Teaching About the Contributions of African American Mathematicians and Scientists to the Field of Math and Science to High School Students	Sheyla Jannah Room 168-A Tracey Prince Room 168-B Black Hisstory 365 Room 171-A
3:30pm 3:45pm	Break - Coffee and Refreshments	Grand Ballroom
3:45pm 5:45pm	Movie Selection – Emancipation (Viewing and Discussion)	Grand Ballroom Dr. John Mills
3:45pm 5:00pm	Administrators Roundtable – Implementation of Curriculum	Grand Ballroom District Leaders
5:00pm 6:00pm	NJ Administrators Meeting	Grand Ballroom District Leaders
6:00pm 7:00pm	Dinner	Grand Ballroom



Summer Institute Day 4

Jul 20 2023

Time	Topic	Facilitator/Location
8:00am 9:00am	Breakfast and Morning Conversations	Grand Ballroom
9:15am 10:00am	National History Day Contest	Grand Ballroom Margaret Renn
10:00am 10:30pm	How to Start Your National History Day Program	Grand Ballroom Theresa Maughan
10:30am 10:45am	Break - Coffee and Refreshments	Grand Ballroom
10:45am 12:00pm	TRACK 1 How to Prepare Elementary Students to Conduct and Present Original Research TRACK 2 How to Prepare Middle School Students for National History Day Contest TRACK 3 How to Prepare High School Students for National History Day Contest	Angela Davis Room 168-A Tracey Prince Room 168-B Theresa Maughan Room 171-A
12:00pm 1:00pm	NJEA Minority Concerns Committee Overview and Update	Grand Ballroom Gary Melton
12:00pm 1:00pm	AFT Member Overview and Update	Grand Ballroom AFT Leadership
1:00pm 2:00pm	Lunch	Grand Ballroom Student Performance
2:00pm 3:00pm	Student Stories of Engagement Roundtable (A Conversation with Students from New Jersey)	Grand Ballroom
3:00pm 4:00pm	Closing Speaker	Grand Ballroom Rose Mitchell
4:00pm 4:30pm	Closing Remarks and Overview of Eastern Corridor African History Tour	Grand Ballroom Trevor K. Melton
6:00pm 8:00pm	Closing Awards Dinner with Commissioners	Grand Ballroom





"We must never forget that Black history is American History. The achievements of African Americans have contributed to our nation's greatness."

Yvette Clarke

Our Priorities

Student teaching and learning and the infusion of Africans and African Americans in the narrative of American and world history serve at the core of our mission to ensure that NJ public school students and teachers have the resources to assure that Africans and African Americans are embedded in the curriculum for social studies, world history, and a variety of other courses. We are committed to partnerships with all educational agencies in New Jersey to accomplish this important mission and to raise awareness about the Amistad Commission.

Save the Dates

Summer Experiential Learning Curriculum (Eastern Corridor African HistoryTour) – November 2023

Summer Institute 2024: August 6-8 - Central Jersey

Summer Institute 2025: August 4-7 - South Jersey

Summer Institute 2026: August 3-6 - North Jersey

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The Amistad Bill Bill Text: NJ S1028 | 2020-2021 | Regular Session | Amended | LegiScan

Summer 2023 Institute Evaluation

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Thank you!
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