

ASNLH, now the [Association for the Study of African American Life and History \(ASALH\)](#) continues to promote the study of Black history all year. Each year, the ASALH establishes a Black History Month theme that emphasizes important developments relevant to the Black experience; the [2021 theme](#) is The Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity.

- The [National Museum of African American History and Culture](#) is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture Established by Act of Congress in 2003, following decades of efforts to promote and highlight the contributions of African Americans.
- [Association for the Study of African American Life and History \(ASALH\)](#), publishing several scholarly works and establishing Negro History Week, the precursor to Black History Month.
- The [Library of Congress](#), [National Archives and Records Administration](#), [National Endowment for the Humanities](#), [National Gallery of Art](#), [National Park Service](#), [Smithsonian Institution](#), and [United States Holocaust Memorial Museum](#) join in paying tribute to the generations of African Americans who struggled with adversity to achieve full citizenship in American society at [February is African American History Month](#) and [National Archives Black History](#).
- The Library of Virginia focuses on topics in Virginia history and includes [African American History Sites](#).
- The [Virginia's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Commission](#) website includes the following resources:
 - [Emancipation Proclamation Sesquicentennial](#)
 - [RESOURCES from the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Commission](#)
 - [RESOURCES from the Abraham Lincoln Subcommittee](#)
 - [RESOURCES from the 50th Anniversary of Public School Closings in Virginia](#).
- Virginia's [2019 AMERICAN EVOLUTION™ commemoration](#) - highlights the significance and modern relevance of several important events that occurred in Virginia in 1619. Explore the 2019 commemoration's [education resources](#), including primary source materials, videos, and innovative lesson ideas to use in your classroom all year long!
- [Civil Rights and Racial Healing](#) - Classroom discussions about civil rights struggles in historic places can help communities toward racial healing. In honor of the American pursuit of justice, The National Park Service highlights "Teaching with Historic Places" lesson plans that focus on civil rights and racial healing. Created by interpreters, preservation professionals, and educators, these lessons are free and ready for immediate classroom use and are adaptable for most grade levels.
- In November, 2020, Governor Ralph Northam's [Commission on African American History Education](#) recommendations for edits were approved and in December were updated in the courses that include Virginia and United States history standards.