

Southern California Genealogy Society

presents ONLINE ONLY DOUBLE BILL

Lunch and Learn Education Program

Saturday February 10, 2024

Learn 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

“Learning to See the Truth about my Virginia Ancestors”

With Allison Thomas



Allison Thomas' presentation will focus on the ways that she has worked with Black descendants of people enslaved by her family to verify oral history in the Black community through documents of enslavement and DNA. These tools enable Black history to be added to the “official” white history that you find in books. She acknowledges her privilege and faces the pain that comes with that legacy, and works toward healing.

Allison Thomas descends from enslavers and land thieves in colonial Virginia back to the early 1600s. She researched and created a website for the Black descendants of the men, women and children run off Gwynn's Island, Virginia in 1916. She wanted to connect them with their ancestors, many of whom were enslaved by Allison's family. When Allison is not researching and writing about her family history, she produces film and live theater. Currently, she is producing a new Broadway musical based on the movie “Dave,” with Warner Bros. She also produced “The Tale of Despereaux,” “Seabiscuit,” and “Pleasantville.” She is currently writing about her journey to uncover the truth about her enslaver family history.

To register for February 12: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2642525998932831324>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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**“ONCE UPON A TIME:
Repairing the Stories of Our Ancestors”**

With Charlotte Bocage

Charlotte heard stories about her family. her research has taken her back to her ancestors enslavement. See how she uses those stories to heal her past.

Charlotte M. Bocage has over forty years of genealogy experience, a full-time genealogist, lecturer, author, and Louisiana specialist. Also, on the Board of Directors and Education and Outreach Committee chair for the Southern California Genealogical Society, and the First Vice President of the Pasadena Area African American Genealogical Society.

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