

Lynx

Lynx is the central international registry of Underground Railroad community organizations, programs and sites. Lynx lists institutions large and small across the United States, Canada and elsewhere which are involved in various aspects of the contemporary Underground Railroad. Following in alphabetical order are the registry listings. This Underground Railroad sites listed here do not include places of enslavement, capture, arrest, trial, lynching or other places which were opposed to the Underground Railroad. To add your organization, program or Underground Railroad site to Lynx, email us [here](#).

Underground Railroad sites listed below are indicated as sites and rated for likelihood of authenticity according to the five-point Wellman Scale. A Wellman Scale rating of 5 means that a site is conclusively documented as having been involved in the Underground Railroad. About two-thirds of all sites nationwide have a rating of 2, "oral tradition with no reason to doubt." For more on the Wellman Scale, click [here](#).

Adventure Cycling

Adventure Cycling sponsors rides along Underground Railroad routes from the Gulf of Mexico and Alabama to Ontario, Canada, with interesting spur routes along the way. The organization's website contains a YouTube link at which one can watch a short video about the creation of the Underground Railroad in four segments. Visit the website [here](#).

The African American Civil War Memorial and Museum

The memorial and museum commemorate the roles of African Americans and the United States Colored Troops in the Civil War. Using photographs, documents and state of the art audio visual equipment, the museum helps visitors understand the African American's heroic and largely unknown struggle for freedom. Visit the museum [here](#).

The African American Heritage Project of Blair County, Pennsylvania

The Project preserves and documents African-American history in central Pennsylvania. The Project sponsors an annual Juneteenth festival on the Altoona campus of Pennsylvania State University. Visit the project [here](#).

African American Tourism Council of Maryland

The Council promotes the research, documentation, preservation, protection, and promotion of African American history, culture and tourism including the Underground Railroad in Maryland. Visit the website [here](#).

AfricanDiasporaTourism.com

AfricanDiasporaTourism.com is an online magazine dedicated to exploring the culture and heritage influences of people of African descent around the globe in order to encourage visitation and tourism. Visit [here](#).

The Afrolumens Project

This organization promotes the collection, study and interpretation of data on African American slavery and freedom in central Pennsylvania, and is dedicated to the idea that all Pennsylvania residents share a common history regardless of race, belief or gender. The Afrolumens Project focuses on the period from European colonization and African slavery in Pennsylvania through the Civil War. The organization facilitates communication by making its collection accessible on its website without cost to anyone interested. [Visit the website here.](#)

Akwaaba Heritage Associates

Akwaaba presents stories that bring historical personalities and events to life. From two hours to several days, Akwaaba tours and reenactments are customized to challenge the senses, intellect and heart of visitor and scholar, child and adult. Visit the website [here](#).

Allegheny Portage Railroad National Historic Site (Underground Railroad site: 5)

The Allegheny Portage Railroad is a story of ingenuity, persistence, and the fleeting power of success. This engineering marvel, which includes the first railroad tunnel in America, opened a valuable trade route within a developing nation. The railroad was operated as an Underground Railroad route. Visit the website [here](#).

Allies for Freedom

Allies for Freedom researches and writes on African American roles in John Brown's 1859 raid at Harpers Ferry, and documents the Underground Railroad association of John Brown's family in California. Visit the website [here](#).

The American Heritage Legacy Tour

The organization conducts several tours and productions in the states of Pennsylvania and Virginia including "The Underground Railroad: The Cherokee Woman and the Runaway Slave, A Love Story" Visit the website [here](#).

Baltimore Black Heritage Tours (BBH Tours)

BBH Tours conducts tours of many African-American and Underground Railroad heritage sites in Baltimore including the Frederick Douglass escape site, his later rental properties, the new Reginald Lewis Museum, Underground Railroad safe-houses and other sites. Visit BBH Tours [here](#).

The George and Rebecca Barnes Foundation

The foundation maintains and operates the Barnes mansion in Syracuse, New York. The Barnes couple were committed abolitionist organizers and Underground Railroad supporters who used their resources to exert public pressure and raise money for the cause. Visit the website [here](#).

Beckmaze Historical Society

The Society is raising funds to purchase, occupy and restore an old mill in Wyoming, Michigan, which had been used as an Underground Railroad safe-house. Email the Society [here](#).

Belpre Historical Society

The organization operates a museum with an Underground Railroad exhibit at 509 Ridge Street, Belpre, Ohio. Visit the website [here](#).

Historic Belmont Mansion and Underground Railroad Museum (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Located in Philadelphia, Historic Belmont Mansion and Underground Railroad Museum presents its story in the context of the region's founding role in the abolitionist movement. The Mansion played a significant role within the Underground Railroad allowing Philadelphia to become for a time the largest free black society in the nation. The American Women's Heritage Society, led by Founder and President Audrey R. Johnson Thornton, was founded in November 1986 to restore, maintain and preserve Belmont Mansion. The society is the first organization to operate Belmont Mansion as a historic site and remains the only African-American women's organization to administer a historic site in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, one of the world's largest municipal parks. Through the site, the Society has made significant

investment documenting the inclusive history of Belmont Mansion and its ties to the Underground Railroad. Belmont Mansion contains a timeless story of revolution and determination, and continues to stand as a reflection of the vast American experience, giving credence to the diverse struggles and successes of generations past, present and future. Visit Belmont's website [here](#).

Benjamin Banneker Historical Park and Museum

This is the home site in Catonsville, Maryland, of Benjamin Banneker who surveyed the District of Columbia as it was being laid out in the 1790s and who is reckoned as "America's first black man of science." Learn more [here](#).

Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation

Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation is an Annapolis-based non-profit organization dedicated to documenting the legacy of Chesapeake Bay African-Americans and promoting bay conservation and education. Visit [here](#).

Black New Yorkers for Educational Excellence

Black New Yorkers for Educational Excellence organizes and builds through progressive ideas and direct action a dynamic Education for Liberation Black Education Movement. Visit Black New Yorkers for Educational Excellence [here](#).

James E. Bonine House Underground Railroad Research Library

The library, operated by the Underground Railroad Society of Cass County, Michigan, has developed into a first-class collection of local Underground Railroad history, personages and resources that exemplifies what dedicated local organizations are capable of in uncovering and portraying regional Underground Railroad history. The library is a past recipient of the Underground Railroad Free Prize for the Advancement of Knowledge. Visit [here](#) for more.

Historian and Author Fergus Bordewich

Among a long list of publications, Mr. Bordewich authored the highly acclaimed *Bound for Canaan: The Underground Railroad and the War for the Soul of America*, and *Washington: The Making of the United States Capitol* which detailed the role of slave labor in the construction of the Capitol and the White House. Many regard *Bound for Canaan* as the definitive history of the Underground Railroad. Bordewich's latest book, *America's Great Debate*, skillfully tells the story of how the Compromise of 1850, wrought in the longest Congressional session in U.S. history, bought the nation a decade of time before the Civil War allowing Lincoln and Grant to rise, and the North to gain strength to prevail in the ultimate conflict. *America's Great Debate* has been nominated for the 2013 Pulitzer Prize in History. Visit Fergus Bordewich's website [here](#).

The Brooklyn Preservation Council

The Council is a preservation organization interested in historic districts, historical commemoration and the Underground Railroad. Contact the Council [here](#).

BuffaloResearch.com

This website assists researchers and others in exploring ancestors, buildings, companies and more in and around Buffalo, New York. The website has an Underground Railroad page which includes a list of verified safe-houses. Explore [here](#).

Buxton National Historic Site & Museum

The Museum celebrates the Underground Railroad and early black settlement of Canada. Visit its website [here](#).

California State University Special Collection on the Underground Railroad in California

This collection is housed at the library of the California State University campus in Sacramento, flagship school of the 24-campus statewide system. Using high-quality digital images of letters, journals, photographs, documents and newspapers, the searchable archive documents the brief and often overlooked chapter of California history dealing with slavery and the Underground Railroad. Visit the university library [here](#).

The Carnegie Center for Art and History

The Center operates as a contemporary art gallery and history museum featuring a permanent exhibition and award-winning, interactive multimedia film entitled, "Ordinary People, Extraordinary Courage: Men and Women of the Underground Railroad in the Indiana and Kentucky Borderland." Visit the website [here](#).

Chatauqua County, New York, Underground Railroad Map

This online map produced and maintained by Nicholas Gunner of the State University of New York at Fredonia displays more than sixty known or suspected Underground Railroad sites in Chatauqua County, New York. The website also contains a long list of people known to have had Underground Railroad roles in the county. Visit the website [here](#).

The Chester County Historical Society

The Chester County Historical Society inspires, informs and builds community identity by preserving and sharing the story of Chester County and its people. Its library collection is a rich resource for the study of local Underground Railroad. Visit [here](#).

Chicago Public Library Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection

The largest African American history and literature collection in the Midwest, the Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection of Afro-American History and Literature documents the black experience with a strong focus on Chicago. Visit [here](#).

Colgate University Teachers' Institute on Abolitionism and the Underground Railroad

The National Endowment for the Humanities sponsors this annual institute and has designated it as a We the People project. The Institute brings in teachers and graduate students each summer to train them on history of the Underground Railroad.

Columbia Historic Preservation Society

Located in Columbia, Pennsylvania, this community museum exhibits extensive Underground Railroad source material. Learn more [here](#).

Cooling Springs Farm (Underground Railroad site: 3)

This working farm, one of the most often visited Underground Railroad sites in the United States, is open to the public for tours and study. The Underground Railroad safe-house on the farm is thought to be the only safe-house still owned by the same family that operated it during Underground Railroad times. The farm was founded by the family in 1768 and its seventh generation operates the farm today. Visit Cooling Springs Farm [here](#).

Community Action Organization of Western New York

The organization is located at 45 Jewett Avenue, Suite 150, Buffalo, New York, 14209. Visit [here](#).

The David Ruggles Center for Early Florence History and Underground Railroad Studies

The Center celebrates the life and accomplishments of Underground Railroad freedom seeker and safe-house operator David Ruggles who settled on Nonotuck Street in Florence, Massachusetts. He and other abolitionists gathered in 1842 to forge a life of equality they hoped would inspire our nation to confront the evils of slavery and corporate greed. Later the street became a haven for self-emancipated slaves, some of whom owned houses still standing there. They worked in the mills along side Irish immigrants who flooded into the area in the wake of the Great Potato Famine. Several successful freedom seekers and their families made Florence their home and most of their houses survive. Visit the David Ruggles Center website [here](#).

The Delaware Underground Railroad Coalition

The group coordinates Underground Railroad interests in Delaware. Visit the Coalition's Facebook page [here](#).

Diversity Restoration Solutions

This Suffolk, Virginia, international trade promotion firm and cultural diversity training organization helps to promote the Underground Railroad in its locale near the Great Dismal Swamp of southeastern Virginia and neighboring North Carolina where fugitive slaves built maroon communities deep in the swamp to live free and avoid detection. Visit the website [here](#).

Dobbin House (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Dobbin House, built in 1776 and the oldest building in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, houses what might be the nation's most authentic Underground Railroad hideaway, a hidden space between two floors on public display with wax figures in a tableau as the scene would have appeared in the 1850s. Dobbin House's use as a safe-house is documented. Dobbin House today operates as an inn, restaurant and store, and is within sight of the location where Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg address. Visit Dobbin House [here](#).

Ellwood Harvey Website

This website is dedicated to the remarkable achievements and life of Ellwood Harvey, M.D., an underground railroad conductor and women's rights advocate, one of the early supporters of the Female Medical College of Philadelphia, the world's first college for female doctors. While at the college Dr. Harvey undertook the risky mission of freeing Ann Maria Weems, a 15-year-old slave from Unity, Maryland. Dressed as a boy, she and Dr. Harvey rendezvoused literally in front of the White House (Franklin Pierce was the president). Posing as Harvey's buggy driver, they spent two days riding north to abolitionist William Still's Philadelphia safe-house. After Thanksgiving, Dr. Harvey took Weems to Camden, New Jersey, via the ferry, and then by train to New York City where he delivered her to Rev. Charles B. Ray who took Weems to Lewis Tappan's house. Amos Noe then took her over the border to the Elgin Settlement in Canada and freedom. This story is chronicled in the books *Stealing Freedom* (Carbone), *Free* (Cary), *The Underground Railroad* (Still) and several other places. Visit the website [here](#).

Emmanuel Episcopal Church (Underground Railroad site: 3)

This Cumberland, Maryland, church was used as an Underground Railroad safe-house. Visit the church's website [here](#).

Essex County Black Historical Research Society of Canada

The Society brings together scholars and community members with an interest in Black history-related research, education and information-sharing specific to Windsor-Essex County, Canada, and environs. The Society may be contacted at 3095 Grandview Street, Windsor, Ontario, Canada, N8T 2M1 or at ecbhrs@aol.com.

The Fairfield Inn (Underground Railroad site: 4)

Founded in 1757, the Fairfield Inn in Fairfield, Pennsylvania, is one of America's oldest, continuously operated inns. The restaurant was a favorite of Ike and Mamie Eisenhower when they lived at their nearby farm after retirement. A difficult-to-reach corner of the attic was used as an Underground Railroad hideaway. The Inn's owners have arranged an authentic tableau in the corner which is on public display. Visit the Fairfield Inn [here](#).

Facebook

No surprise since everything else is on Facebook. Visit [here](#).

Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse (Underground Railroad site: 5)

The 1816 Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse near Canandaigua, New York, was an Underground Railroad safe-house and crucible for several national reform movements hosting debates over freedom and equality for women, African Americans and Seneca Indians. National reformers associated with Farmington include William Lloyd Garrison, Lucretia Mott, Frederick Douglass, William Wells Brown, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. A group led by Historic New York Research Associates (see below) is restoring the Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse as a monument and interpretive center. Visit the Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse website [here](#).

Flying Geese Productions

Flying Geese Productions specializes in educational entertainment and promotes literacy through theatrical presentations and workshops. Flying Geese's premier presentation allows the audience to experience the Underground Railroad, as re-enactor Ms. Melissa Waddy-Thibodeaux plays a compelling role of Harriet Tubman. The organization also distributes books to students at no cost.

Footsteps to Freedom of South Africa

Footsteps to Freedom invites you to reach into the soul of Cape Town, South Africa, by retracing 350 years of dramatic history. Specially trained tourist guides will bring to life the challenges facing the early Dutch settlers, the pain of slavery, the Cape as a colony, the tragedy of apartheid, and the joy and triumph of our new "Rainbow Nation". Visit [here](#).

Forging the Freedom Trail Foundation

This organization promotes heritage tourism especially regarding the Underground Railroad in the state of New York. Visit the foundation [here](#).

FrederickRoots.com

Frederick Roots serves as a resource for researching the history of the African American families of Frederick County, Maryland. Visit the website [here](#).

Freedom Bound

Freedom Bound, a website operated by Lycoming College focuses on the history of the Underground Railroad in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania and features the voice of Mamie Sweeting Diggs and the stories handed down to her from her great-grandfather Daniel Hughes, an African-American conductor on the Underground Railroad. The banners used on this exceptionally well done website are permanently housed at the Transportation Museum in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. Visit Freedom Bound [here](#).

Freedom Time

The organization, based in Maysville, Kentucky, offers slave & Underground Railroad tours, presentations and exhibits. Visit Freedom Time [here](#).

The Freedom Underground Railroad Museum (Underground Railroad site: 3)

The museum is located in Bierbower House, an Underground Railroad safe-house in Maysville, Kentucky. The Museum displays artifacts of local descendants of African slaves, materials related to local and regional anti-slavery activists who made a national impact and the Bierbower safe-House on the lower level of the building. Visit the Museum website [here](#).

Friends of 227 Abolitionist Place

The organization promotes the conversion of 227 Abolitionist Place in the Brooklyn Borough of New York City from its traditional use as a home to a museum of the Brooklyn Underground Railroad. In the 1800s, the home was owned by Thomas and Harriet Lee Truesdell who used a hidden room in the home's basement to shelter freedom seekers.

Friends of the Cherry Hill African Union Methodist Protestant Church

The organization is dedicated to the research and preservation of African American life and communities in Baltimore County, Maryland, and maintains, operates and preserves this historic church. Visit the website [here](#).

Friends of the Forks of the Roads Society, Inc.

This organization's advocacy resulted in preservation of one of the largest slave markets in the South at Natchez, Mississippi, called Forks of the Road. Friends of the Forks of the Roads Society also operates a traveling exhibit called European/African Roots of the Underground Railroad. Visit the website [here](#).

Friends Historical Association

The Friends Historical Association is an association devoted to the study, preservation and publication of material relating to the history of the Religious Society of Friends. Founded in Philadelphia in 1873, FHA has become an organization that is international in membership and interests and which anyone, Friend or not, is invited to join. The annual meeting in the Fall and a historical pilgrimage in the Spring to an area associated with the history of Quakerism are important activities of the Association. Visit the website [here](#). Email queries [here](#).

Friends Historical Library of Swarthmore College

This library specializes in the Religious Society of Friends - the Quaker Church - and its role in the Underground Railroad. Visit the library [here](#).

Friends of the Network to Freedom Association

Founded in 2007, this private body is a nonprofit support and fundraising group for the National Park Service Network to Freedom program. However, the organization ceased operation in 2009.

Friends of Oakley Cabin and the Underground Railroad (Underground Railroad site: 4)

The organization preserves and operates the Oakley Cabin, an Underground Railroad site in upper Olney, Maryland. Visit the website [here](#).

Friends of Sellers Hall (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Built in 1682, Sellers Hall is one of the oldest existing buildings in the United States. Sellers Hall is linked to the Underground Railroad by being one of the homesteads that gave shelter to slaves seeking freedom. The home stands now on the grounds of St. Alice Parish in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. A microcosm of U.S. history, Sellers Hall was built as a farmhouse and the homestead of the Samuel Sellers family, whose members through the centuries and ten generations have been leaders in the abolition movement, higher education, law, manufacturing, technical innovation, and politics. Learn more [here](#).

Friends of the Underground Railroad

This private body was founded in 2004 as an Underground Railroad umbrella organization intended to preserve Underground Railroad history, support programs of others and raise up the Underground Railroad legacy for future generations. However, the organization has not conducted business since 2006. Visit Friends of the Underground Railroad [here](#).

Forks of the Road

This organization presents the history of the Forks of the Roads Slave Market and its contemporary sites in Natchez, Mississippi, and offers a comprehensive brochure at its website. Visit the website [here](#).

Galesburg Colony Underground Railroad Freedom Center (Underground Railroad site: 5)

The Center, operated by Knox College Professor Owen Muelder, specializes in research and education on the Underground Railroad in Western Illinois. Knox College itself was an Underground Railroad safe-house. See the May, 2007, issue of *Underground Railroad Free Press* for a review of the book by Owen Muelder, *The Underground Railroad In Western Illinois*. Visit the website [here](#).

Gammon House Restoration Committee (Underground Railroad site: 4)

A group of local citizens in the Springfield, Ohio, area is restoring this former safe-house to a state which can be used as a forthcoming Underground Railroad Interpretive Center. The Center does not yet have a website.

The Gerrit Smith Estate National Historic Landmark (Underground Railroad site: 5)

A local nonprofit organization operates a number of history and Underground Railroad programs year round at the former home of one of the most famed abolitionists. Visit the website [here](#).

Grace Hill Settlement House (Underground Railroad site: 5)

The organization operates the Grace Hill AmeriCorps Trail Ranger Project involving 15 young adults who use their time managing the Mary Meachum Underground Railroad site as well as learning about African-American slave history and providing presentations to the

community on the subject. The Grace Hill Settlement House is located at 2600 Hadley Street, Saint Louis, Missouri, 63106. Visit the website [here](#).

Hamilton Avenue Road to Freedom

The Hamilton Avenue Road to Freedom follows the Underground Railroad through two Cincinnati communities and two Hamilton county cities. Visit [here](#).

The Harriet Beecher Stowe Center

The Harriet Beecher Stowe Center preserves and interprets Stowe's Hartford home and the Center's historic collections, promotes vibrant discussion of her life and work, and inspires commitment to social justice and positive change. The Center awards the \$10,000 Harriet Beecher Stowe Prize to recognize a United States author whose written work makes a tangible impact on a social justice issue critical to contemporary society. Named in honor of Stowe, the prize commemorates the 200th anniversary of Stowe's birth and is awarded biennially. Click [here](#) for more.

HarrietTubman.com

This website provides contemporary remembrances and programs on Harriet Tubman in Delaware and the nearby Eastern Shore of Maryland where she lived, escaped and did most of her Underground Railroad work. The site is maintained by Vivian Abdur-Rahim of Delaware. Click [here](#) for more.

Harriet Tubman Cultural Center

The Center is located in Harrisonburg, Virginia, in the Shenandoah Valley, and sponsors various events including Rockingham County's annual Harriet Tubman Day observance. Click [here](#) for more.

Harriet Tubman Historical Society

This group has been instrumental in having had several states establish March 10 each year as Harriet Tubman Day and seeks to make the date a national observance. The Society is located in Wilmington, Delaware and Atlanta, Georgia. Visit the Harriet Tubman Historical Society [here](#).

Harriet Tubman Home Site

This is the home for the elderly and Tubman's home late in life in Auburn, New York. Click [here](#) for more.

Harriet Tubman Institute on the Global Migrations of African Peoples

This institute, operated by York University of Ontario, Canada, performs research on the African Diaspora. Visit the Harriet Tubman Institute [here](#).

Harriet Tubman Museum and Educational Center

Located in Cambridge, Maryland, near where Harriet Tubman grew up and escaped slavery, the Center is open Tuesday through Saturday. Tours of the surrounding area are available by appointment. Visit the website [here](#).

The Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Monument

Authorized by presidential order in 2013 and dedicated in 2016, the nation's newest National Monument is located in Dorchester County, Maryland, where Tubman was born and escaped from slavery. The address is 2145 Key Wallace Drive, Cambridge, Maryland, 21613. Visit the website [here](#).

Historic Gettysburg-Adams County

This is the preservation association of Adams County, Pennsylvania, an area rich in Underground Railroad history including Dobbin House and the Fairfield Inn (see above for both). Visit Historic Gettysburg-Adams County [here](#).

Historic Palmyra

The organization owns and operates four museums within walking distance of the Erie Canal and two Underground Railroad sites in Rochester, New York, and features history from 1800 to the present through artifacts of all types. Historic Palmyra is part of the Rochester Museum and Science Center Freedom Trail and is listed in the Wayne County, New York, inventory of Underground Railroad history and places. Visit the website [here](#).

Historic Underground Railroad Society

This Nyack, New York organization operates an exhibit and learning center aimed primarily at grade-school students. Housed in a restored mid-19th century barn in Nyack, the exhibit includes an explanation of the Underground Railroad, old tools and hardware from the era, related items, a secret escape tunnel, a tunnel view of the buried Nyack Brook, an audio tape of the African American slave anthem, "Follow the Drinking Gourd". Visit the website [here](#).

Historical New York Research Associates

This organization investigates and promotes Underground Railroad history and sites in upstate New York where it is located and is active in assisting the work of other Underground Railroad groups. Visit Historical New York Research Associates [here](#).

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania

The Society is an archive with collections which document the Underground Railroad. Visit the website [here](#).

The History Center of Niagara County

Operated by the Niagara County Historical Society, in Freeport, New York, the History Center of Niagara County presents a glimpse of area life over the last 175 years including the area's rich Underground Railroad history. Visit the Center [here](#).

Howland Stone Store Museum

Quaker storekeeper Slocum Howland was an active abolitionist. The museum displays an authentic "ticket" used in the Underground Railroad passage of two "parcels." Howland arrived in the area in 1798 with his parents, was a devoted Quaker, wool buyer, entrepreneur, anti-slavery advocate, banker, large landowner, prohibitionist and local leader. His daughter, Miss Emily, was avidly involved in women's rights, temperance, education, world peace, abolition, Political Equality clubs, and rights for Negroes. Located in Aurora, New York, the store was built in 1837 by Slocum Howland and is important as a graceful and virtually unaltered example of a simple Greek revival cobblestone building, hence its name. Visit the website [here](#).

Indiana Freedom Trails

Indiana Freedom Trails works to locate, identify, verify, protect, preserve and promote Indiana's Underground Railroad safe-houses and routes, and is dedicated to the research, education, interpretation and reverence of the state's Underground Railroad heritage for the benefit of future generations. Visit Indiana Freedom Trails [here](#).

The John W. Jones Museum

The museum is located in Elmira, New York, and perpetuates the memory and the spirit of the men and women of the Southern Tier of New York who supported the Underground Railroad and worked to protect the freedom of those who escaped slavery. John Jones was an Underground Railroad freedom seeker, conductor and safe-house operator. The board of trustees of the museum is restoring the Jones house as a museum commemorating the life and work of the former slave who safely assisted nearly 800 freedom seekers to Canada. Visit the museum [here](#).

Nathan and Mary Johnson House

Nathan and Polly Johnson of New Bedford, Massachusetts, were prominent African American abolitionists who sheltered escaped slaves in their home which they used as an Underground Railroad safehouse. It was here in September, 1838, that Frederick Douglass found freedom, a new name and, with his wife Anna, his first home. Nathan and Mary Johnson House is operated by the New Bedford Historical Society. Visit [here](#).

The Josiah Henson Special Park

This park in North Bethesda, Maryland, is the site from which Josiah Henson escaped and fled to Canada in 1830. Today it is operated by Montgomery County Parks as the Josiah Henson Special Park. Harriet Beecher Stowe based her 1852 *Uncle Tom's Cabin* on Henson and his cabin at this site. Visit the Josiah Henson Special Park website [here](#).

The Journey Through Hallowed Ground

The Journey Through Hallowed Ground contains one of the heaviest concentrations of Underground Railroad routes and over 70 safe-houses just in the Maryland and Pennsylvania portions of the Journey. This newest National Historic Area recognizes the unparalleled cultural, historic and scenic resources along the 125-mile Journey corridor from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania to Underground Railroad-rich Frederick County, Maryland, to Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's Virginia home. With nine Presidential homes, Camp David, 73 National Historic Districts, most Civil War Battlefields, 15 historic Main Street towns, and many scenic landscapes, roads, and rivers, the Journey Through Hallowed Ground, "Where America Happened", holds more history than any United States region of similar size. Visit [here](#).

Kennett Underground Railroad Center

The Kennett Underground Railroad Center, a multicultural and diverse organization, celebrates the values that brought an end to slavery in America and the heroes whose courage led them to dare so much, simply to live a decent life. Surrounded by one of the greatest concentrations of Underground Railroad stations in the country, the Center identifies and preserves buildings, artifacts and documents associated with that inspiring time in our history for the purpose of educating present generations and those to come. Visit the website [here](#).

Kent County Tourism

This is a tourism promotion agency that publicizes the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway in Kent County, Delaware. Visit [here](#).

Kim and Reggie Harris

The couple has been researching, recording and performing music of the Underground Railroad and of the Civil Rights movement for more than 25 years. Their many albums are widely available. See the September, 2007, issue of *Free Press* for more on their work. Visit the Harris website [here](#).

Knox College Underground Railroad Freedom Center (Underground Railroad site: 5)

The Center operates the Knox College Underground Railroad Freedom Station, a campus building which was used as an Underground Railroad safe-house by College faculty. The Center holds exhibits on the history of the Underground Railroad in western Illinois and gathers and preserves documents about the Underground Railroad. Visit the Center [here](#).

Levi Coffin State Historic Site

This Fountain City, Indiana, site was the home of Levi and Catharine Coffin, Quakers from North Carolina who opposed slavery and became very active with the Underground Railroad in Indiana. During the 20 years they lived in Newport (now Fountain City), they worked to provide transportation, shelter, food and clothing for hundreds of freedom seekers. Many of their stories are told in Levi Coffin's 1876 memoir, *Reminiscences*. Visit [here](#).

Lovejoy Homestead

Located only forty miles from the Mississippi River, the Owen Lovejoy safe-house lies on one of the westernmost Underground Railroad routes. Because of the flow of fugitives up the river and across it from Missouri, freedom seeker traffic on the Quincy Line rivaled that seen on eastern and Ohio routes. From 1838 when he began living in the newly built home, Rev. Owen Lovejoy became perhaps the best known of Illinois' safe-house operators. After a period of deterioration in the mid-twentieth century, a local group restored the home, the state purchased it, and in 1972 it was deeded to the City of Princeton. The private group has continued to operate the home which is open to the public through September and by appointment in October. For more visit the website [here](#).

The MapMuse Map of the Underground Railroad

The MapMuse website has compiled the most complete and informative map of Underground Railroad safe-houses and routes that we have seen, and is continuously expanding the map and its content on sites. This relatively new on-line interactive map of grows as the international Underground Railroad community learns of it and adds more and more sites. Visit the National Underground Railroad map [here](#).

Mark Priest

The often-awarded Mark Priest is a painter of Underground Railroad scenes and people, and a Professor of Art at the University of Louisville. Visit his website [here](#).

Maryland Underground Railroad Coalition

The organization is the umbrella group for Underground Railroad organizations throughout Maryland and led the effort to have the Maryland legislature in 2000 declare March 10 as an annual observance of Harriet Tubman Day in Maryland. Visit the Maryland Underground Railroad Coalition [here](#).

The Mary Meachum Freedom Crossing (Underground Railroad site: 5)

This site on the Mississippi River in North St. Louis City, Missouri, is where nine enslaved African Americans launched a skiff in the early hours of May 21, 1855, their destination, Illinois across the river. Their conductor was Mary Meachum, a free woman of color and widow of Rev. John Berry Meachum, known nationally for liberating slaves through purchase. The freedom-seekers were met on the Illinois shore by a sheriff and owners, and five were caught. Mary Meachum was arrested for running an "underground railway depot" in her St. Louis home. Today the spot from which the skiff was launched looks much as it did in 1855, vacant as it

was then and largely untouched. Its location the Riverfront Trail, a pedestrian and bicycle pathway, assures that it will remain accessible. View a video of a 2011 celebration [here](#). Contact the organizers [here](#).

Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation

From its website, "The Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation is dedicated to educating current and future generations about Gage's work and its power to drive contemporary social change. Matilda Joslyn Gage of Fayetteville, New York, was an Underground Railroad safe-house operator as were her parents, and a leader in the women's rights movement. Visit the Foundation [here](#).

Mayhew Cabin & Historic Village and John Brown Cave

This westernmost known Underground Railroad site is located in Nebraska City, Nebraska. Here Allen and Barbara Mayhew and her brother John Kagi sheltered freedom seekers. Kagi also operated as a conductor from Nebraska City to Iowa, a free state. The cabin is open to the public and located at 2012 4th Corso, Nebraska City. Visit the website [here](#).

The McClew Interpretive Center (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Charles and Anna Maria McClew were part of a secret network of people who helped freedom seekers make their way through the Niagara frontier to Canada. The McClews moved to this property in 1850 and built their house and barns using native wood and bricks on site, and used stones cut from the Erie Canal excavation to cap the foundation wall. There is a concealed room beneath the McClew barn where people escaping slavery were able to rest and recuperate. The entrance to the room can still be seen today. Visit at Murphy Orchards, 2402 McClew Road, Burt, New York, 14028. Visit the website [here](#).

McMillan Tours

This Detroit-based company conducts tours of Underground Railroad sites in Detroit and nearby Canada. Visit [here](#).

The Menare Foundation

Oldest of the contemporary national Underground Railroad organizations, the Menare Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of Underground Railroad history, historic sites and environments, and to the creation of associated educational programs. Through assistance and training, Menare works with individuals and organizations to preserve the Underground Railroad legacy using history as a resource for community revitalization, race dialogue and cultural growth. Visit the Foundation [here](#).

Mid-Hudson Anti-Slavery History Project

The Mid-Hudson Antislavery History Project conducts research on the history of antislavery in the Mid-Hudson Valley, with special emphasis on the Underground Railroad, interprets this history, share these interpretations with a wide array of residents and visitors to the area with particular attention to students and youth, places local histories of slavery and antislavery in the Mid-Hudson Valley in the broader contexts of racial slavery in the New World and interprets the impact of this historic grassroots movement on subsequent struggles for racial and social justice. Visit the website [here](#).

Military Road School Preservation Trust

The Trust preserves the Military Road School, and its site, legacy and archeological resources for interpretation of local history including that of Fort Stevens, the

evolution of the educational system for African-Americans in Washington, DC, and the history of the surrounding area. Learn more [here](#).

National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum

Situated in the building of the inaugural meeting of the New York State Antislavery Society in 1835, NAHOF honors the history and legacy of abolitionist and strives to complete the Second Abolition. Learn more [here](#).

The National Afro-American Museum & Cultural Center

The museum is located at Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio. Learn more [here](#).

National Great Blacks In Wax Museum

Among other exhibits, the Museum features life-size wax figures in dramatic scenes including a slave ship hold. Visit [here](#).

The National Museum of African-American History and Culture

The Smithsonian Institution will launch an Underground Railroad program hosted by the new National Museum of African-American History and Culture. The Museum will be housed in a building to be constructed on the National Mall in Washington, DC. The target date for completion of Museum construction is December, 2015. The story of the Underground Railroad will be featured prominently in Museum exhibits, resources and publicity, and the Museum has already begun collecting Underground Railroad oral histories in its Memory Book feature. Click [here](#) to visit the Museum website.

The National Park Service Network to Freedom

Like the National Museum of African-American History and Culture above, the Network to Freedom is another federal government program on the Underground Railroad and is managed by the National Park Service. This program's website maintains partial lists of Underground Railroad sites, programs and collections. Visit the Network to Freedom [here](#).

The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center

This impressive Cincinnati, Ohio, museum, opened in 2004 to much fanfare and national press coverage, is the world's showpiece on the Underground Railroad. It's authentic slave pen as one enters the museum is utterly arresting in its impact. Beyond the Underground Railroad, the Freedom Center also explores the meaning of freedom and present-day slavery in the United States and around the world. Visit the Freedom Center [here](#).

The New York Historical Society

Since 2004, the New-York Historical Society has presented a series of exhibitions that explore the idea of freedom, emphasizing the history of slavery, resistance, abolition and the Underground Railroad. These major exhibitions have been complemented with an array of public programs, educational programs, websites, and cell phone/iPod tours of sources and sites relating to New York's role in the Underground Railroad and abolitionist movement. The New York Historical Society was one of the very first institutions collecting during the height of the Underground Railroad movement from the 1830s to 1860s, an effort that began even earlier in the aftermath of the American Revolution with the founding of the Manumission Society. Visit the Society's Underground Railroad programs [here](#), then search on Underground Railroad.

Niagara Arts and Cultural Center

The Center features a section on the Underground Railroad in and around Niagara Falls. Visit [here](#).

Niagara Bound Tours

This tour company provides Underground Railroad history tours of Niagara, Canada. Tours are conducted by a descendant of slave who came to Canada in 1850 from Kentucky. As well as seeing the sites, the visitor also hears the personal stories. Visit the website [here](#).

Norfolk Underground Railroad

Visit Norfolk sponsors Waterways to Freedom, the story of Norfolk, Virginia's roles in the Underground Railroad. Visit the website [here](#).

The North American Black Historical Museum

The Museum is located in Amherstburg, Ontario, Canada. Its building includes the Cultural Centre, a gathering place for special events and functions. The complex also includes historic structures. Connected to the Museum is the Taylor Log Cabin, an historic residence. The Nazrey African Methodist Episcopal Church stands next door to complete the complex. The grounds serve for gathering, resting and transitions. Learn more [here](#).

North Country Underground Railroad Historical Association

This Plattsburgh, New York, organization operates the North Star Underground Railroad Museum at Ausable Chasm, New York, and gives dramatic readings, lectures, and presentations in schools, colleges, and for the general public, and researches, preserves, interprets and promotes the Underground Railroad history of Northeastern New York's Waterways to Freedom. The North Country Underground Railroad Historical Association has done one much to rediscover Underground Railroad routes and safe-houses in the northeast corner of New York. Visit the website [here](#).

North Star Historical Project

The North Star Historical Project operates in cooperation with the Greenwich Historical Association and the Greenwich Free Library in Greenwich, New York , and promotes the history of the Underground Railroad in the middle part of the eastern tier of New York state. Visit the website [here](#).

North Star Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Area

This program operated by the City of Niagara Falls, New York, celebrates the city's heavy Underground Railroad involvement as a crossing point into Canada. Email the program coordinator [here](#).

The Norval Johnson Heritage Center

This Canadian historical organization is a museum and library associated with the Nathaniel Dett Memorial Chapel, a British Methodist Episcopal church in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. Visit the Norval Johnson Heritage Center website [here](#).

Oglesby Communications and Consulting

The organization produces a musical and play about Harriet Tubman. Visit [here](#).

The Ohio Underground Railroad Association

The organization bills itself as a grassroots, all-volunteer non-profit organization which researches, identifies, documents and preserves Ohio Underground Railroad sites. Visit the Ohio Underground Railroad Association [here](#).

Oneida County Freedom Trail Commission

The commission documents Underground Railroad sites, people, and events of Oneida County, New York. Visit the website [here](#).

Onondaga Historical Association

Founded in 1863, the Onondaga Historical Association of Syracuse, New York, offers a broad array of services and experiences including its Underground Railroad Freedom Trail walking tour, an Underground Railroad exhibit, and audio-visual program at its history museum in downtown Syracuse. Visit the OHA's website [here](#).

Ontario Black History Society

The Ontario Black History Society of Ontario, Canada, is dedicated to the study, preservation and promotion of Black history and heritage. The Society fosters public interest in Black History through recognition, preservation and promotion of the contributions of Black peoples and their collective histories, sponsorship and support of educational conferences and exhibits in this field, and promoting the inclusion of material on Black History in school curricula. Visit the website [here](#).

Ontario County Historical Society

The organization emphasizes the rich Underground Railroad history of this New York County. Visit the website [here](#).

Oswego Public Library

The Library was founded by abolitionist and philanthropist, Gerrit Smith of Peterboro, New York, and opened in 1857. Smith stipulated that the library was to be open to all people regardless of race, sex or position in life. The Library's special collections include patron ledgers from 1860 that list library users of the time period including African-Americans. The Oswego Public Library is the oldest library in continuous use in its original building in the state of New York and possibly the country. Visit [here](#).

The Paul Laurence Dunbar Memorial Association

The Association promoted the memory of poet Paul Laurence Dunbar and supports the efforts of the Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial. The Association may be reached at Postal Box 1872, Dayton, Ohio, 45431.

Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial

This Italianate turn-of-the-century structure was the final home of the poet Paul Laurence Dunbar. It exhibits his literary treasures, many of his personal items and his family's furnishings. During his short lifetime, Dunbar became known as the poet laureate of African-Americans. Drawing on his observations of society and the experience of his parents - both former slaves - he gave voice to the social dilemma of disenfranchised people of his day and became a proclaimer of black dignity. The life and legacy of Paul Laurence Dunbar with emphasis on the influence of his father Joshua Dunbar who traveled the Underground Railroad from Kentucky to Canada. Visit the website [here](#).

Pennsylvania State Archives

Just what it say it is. Includes many Pennsylvania Underground Railroad records. Visit the website [here](#).

Peerless Rockville Historical Society (Underground Railroad site: 4)

Peerless Rockville is an award-winning, nonprofit, community-based organization founded in 1974 to preserve buildings, objects and information important to Rockville's heritage. Peerless Rockville advances its goals through education, example, advocacy, and community involvement. Peerless Rockville operates a guided walking tour of downtown Rockville's Underground Railroad sites. Visit Peerless Rockville [here](#).

Philadelphia City Archives

The City of Philadelphia Archives within the Department of Records is the repository for official city government records. The comprehensiveness of the records for the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries is unmatched and includes many records on the city's African-American community and some on the Underground Railroad. The holdings of the City of Philadelphia Archives are essential to understanding the actions and decisions of city government officials and the public's interaction. Visit [here](#).

Plymouth Church of the Pilgrims (Underground Railroad site: 2)

Famed abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher, father of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* author Harriet Beecher Stowe, was the first minister of this Brooklyn, New York, church. Tours of the church can be arranged by appointment. Visit the website [here](#).

The Quarlls Watkins Heritage Project

The Quarlls Watkins Heritage Project is a Michigan non-profit corporation devoted to the public enlightenment and knowledge of the Underground Railroad story. The Project "honors the self determination, perseverance and heroics of the many who sought freedom and justice; recognizes the significance of the Underground Railroad as the beginning of the American Civil Rights Movement; and celebrates its importance in symbolizing the spirit of racial harmony, tolerance and multiculturalism. Visit the Project on Facebook by clicking [here](#).

The Rochester Museum & Science Center

The Center features Flight to Freedom, an Underground Railroad exhibition. The Rochester Museum & Science Center is a Regional Interpretive Center on the New York State Underground Railroad Heritage Trail. In addition to the exhibit, the museum and its Schuyler C. Townson Research Library hold primary source and literature-based resources for research on the Underground Railroad. Visit the Museum [here](#).

The Reginald F. Lewis Museum

This Baltimore museum, funded from the estate of the late Reginald Lewis, the African-American chairman and CEO of Beatrice Foods, "is dedicated to sharing the courageous journeys toward freedom and self-determination made by African-American Marylanders." Visit the Reginald F. Lewis Museum [here](#).

Rejoti Productions

Rejoti Productions is a northern New Jersey theater company which specializes in historical performances and storytelling. Visit [here](#).

Riverview Farm (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Riverview Farm in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania, was the home of the Garrett family who used the farm as an Underground Railroad safe-house. Riverview Farm is where Thomas Garrett spent his first 33 years before moving to Wilmington, Delaware. The nearby homes of Isaac P. Garrett and Samuel Garrett, both Underground Railroad safe-houses, still stand. The home

of Isaac P. Garrett is located in Arlington Cemetery in Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania. In the future, Riverview Farm will have a museum. Visit [here](#).

Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery, a program of Rotary International

RAGAS provides information about, and promote ways for you to engage and support, anti-slavery and human trafficking projects, programs and campaigns. It does this by engaging Rotarians world-wide through Rotary's social and other network and influencing policy makers when considering the rights of children and adults held against their will. Visit [here](#).

Sellers Hall (Underground Railroad site: 5

Built in 1682, Sellers Hall is one of the oldest existing buildings in the United States. Sellers Hall is linked to the Underground Railroad by being one of the homesteads that gave shelter to slaves seeking freedom. The home stands now on the grounds of St. Alice Parish in Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. A microcosm of U.S. history, Sellers Hall was built as a farmhouse and the homestead of the Samuel Sellers family, whose members through the centuries and ten generations have been leaders in the abolition movement, higher education, law, manufacturing, technical innovation, and politics. Learn more [here](#).

Seminary Ridge Museum

The Seminary Ridge Museum stands on Seminary Ridge along Gettysburg National Military Park's auto tour route. Three floors of exhibits allow you to discover the first day of the Civil War battle along Seminary Ridge, the care of the wounded in a building that served as one of Gettysburg's largest field hospitals, and the meaning of freedom in our world today. Add the Exclusive-Access Cupola Tour to your museum admission, and follow a guide through the building's historic attic and famous cupola, taking in the stunning 360-degree view of the battlefield from the place Union General John Buford surveyed the terrain before the battle. Learn more [here](#).

Seward House Museum

The museum interprets the life of Abraham Lincoln's Secretary of State, William Seward, and his Auburn, New York, home which he and his wife operated openly as an Underground Railroad safe-house. Visit [here](#).

Snow Camp Outdoor Theater

Snow Camp Outdoor Theatre promotes the rich heritage of the Quakers in the Snow Camp, North Carolina area. Snow Camp's annual production Pathway To Freedom is an exciting account of the hardship and heroism which Quakers and enslaved African Americans faced during the 1840s and 1850s along the Underground Railroad route from North Carolina to Indiana pioneered by the famous Underground Railroad Coffin family. Visit the website [here](#).

Solomon Northup Day

The organization puts on Solomon Northup Day on the third Friday every July. Visit [here](#).

South Bend Berean Seventh Day Adventist Church

The church has a broad outreach program to African-Americans and a strong interest in the Underground Railroad. Visit the website [here](#).

Sotterley Plantation

Older than Mount Vernon, Monticello and the nation itself, Sotterley Plantation dating from 1703 is the only remaining Tidewater Plantation in Maryland that is open to the public. Although not a stop on the Underground Railroad, Sotterley Plantation interprets 300 years of life on the Patuxent River in Maryland with a full range of visitor activities. Sotterley's educational programs tell the story of the enslaved at Sotterley who resisted and sought freedom such as Peregrine Young and James Bowie who in 1812 escaped with the British and helped over 40 other enslaved people at Sotterley escape in the summer and fall of 1814. The 95-acre historic site includes the plantation house and an original 1830s slave cabin. For tours and hours, visit the website [here](#).

Sparky and Rhonda Rucker

Like the Harrises above, Sparky and Rhonda Rucker are long-time performers of songs of the Underground Railroad and a significant amount of 19th century African-American and Civil War music. James "Sparky" Rucker also researches and publishes on this music. Their many albums are widely available. See the January, 2007, issue of *Free Press* for more on their work. Visit their website [here](#).

Star Hill African Methodist Episcopal Church Museum

The Dover, Delaware, church was named for the North Star and for the church's activity in the Underground Railroad. For tours and hours, visit the website [here](#).

Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area

This program which is operated by Eastern Shore Heritage, Inc. promotes Underground Railroad work on Maryland's Eastern Shore, the part of the state which lies between the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. Visit the organization's website [here](#).

The Texas Center for African American Living History

The Texas Center for African American Living History is a non-profit organization for public education whose mission is to research, document, preserve, interpret and distribute Texas history and culture that includes African Americans from the African American perspective. The Center has become a vanguard for heritage education through various forms of media, events and communications. Visit [here](#).

Thaddeus Stevens Society

The Thaddeus Stevens Society is a non-profit group started in 1999 to promote the memory of Thaddeus Stevens, the most powerful congressman during the Civil War and a champion of freedom and equality. The group holds seminars, has trips to historic places associated with Stevens and supports efforts to restore sites related to Stevens. Visit [here](#).

Truesdell House (Underground Railroad site: 4)

Owned in the mid-1800s by Thomas and Harriet Truesdell, a mixed-race couple who used the home as a safe-house and contributed funds to Underground Railroad organizations. Today owned by Joy Chatel who saved the home from a redevelopment project. Tours are arranged by appointment. Email [here](#).

Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site (Underground Railroad site: 5)

Recognized internationally for his contribution to the abolition movement, Josiah Henson asserted his leadership as preacher and a conductor on the Underground Railroad. He worked with energy and vision to improve life for the Black community in Upper Canada, now Ontario. After escaping slavery in Kentucky, 'Father Henson' quickly attained the status of leader within the Underground Railroad community of Southwestern Ontario. In 1841 he cofounded the British American Institute, a vocational school for Underground Railroad

refugees. The Dawn settlement, comprising mostly Black settlers, grew around the school. The Ontario Heritage Trust has recently erected a plaque commemorating the Dawn settlement, whose residents farmed, attended the Institute, and worked at saw mills, gristmills, and other local industries. Some returned to the United States after emancipation was proclaimed in 1863. Others remained, contributing to the establishment of a significant Black community in this part of the province. Harriet Beecher Stowe used Josiah Henson's memoirs, published in 1849, as reference material for her novel, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Henson's dramatic experiences and his connection with Stowe's book made him one of the most famous Canadians of his day. Reverend Henson passed away May 5th, 1883, and is buried adjacent to the Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site in the Henson family cemetery. Visit the site [here](#).

"Uncovering the Underground Railroad, Abolitionism and African American Life in Montgomery County, New York 1820-1890"

A survey report compiled by Judith Wellman, Kelly Farquhar, Scott Haefner, & Alessa Wylie. Contact Dr. Wellman at historicalnewyork@mac.com for a copy.

The Underground Railroad Coalition of Delaware

The Underground Railroad Coalition of Delaware is a volunteer organization dedicated to Underground Railroad research, interpretation, education and advocacy for site preservation. Contact dmartin@ci.wilmington.de.us for information or visit the Coalition's Facebook page [here](#).

The Underground Railroad Conductor

This is the website and blog of prize-winning Underground Railroad author Tom Calarco. Visit [here](#).

Underground Railroad Consortium of New York State

This is a coalition of 120 sites and programs in New York State working to strengthen their network and encourage public participation in the Underground Railroad story. Visit [here](#).

The Underground Railroad Experience Trail (Underground Railroad site: 4)

Underground Railroad Education Center

The Underground Railroad Education Center researches and preserves the local and national history of the Underground Railroad movement, its international connections, and its legacy for today's social justice issues, thereby empowering people of all ages to be agents of change toward an equitable and just society. It organizes public history conferences, hosts guided tours of The Stephen and Harriet Myers Residence, and provides public presentations, among other community focused initiatives. Visit the website [here](#).

This tour of Underground Railroad sites in and around Sandy Spring, Maryland, is conducted by Montgomery County Parks. Hikes are conducted by volunteer "conductors" who lead groups on a simulated Underground Railroad experience covering two miles from Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park along a wooded natural-surface trail to historic Sandy Spring, then back to the park. Hikers learn about various techniques that freedom seekers used to elude trackers, find food and navigate their way north to freedom. Click [here](#) for the website.

Underground Railroad Free Press

With 15,000 readers, *Underground Railroad Free Press* is the highest circulation Underground Railroad news publication. *Free Press* awards the annual Underground Railroad Free Press Prizes for leadership, preservation and advancement of knowledge in the contemporary

Underground Railroad community, the highest honors in the international Underground Railroad community. *Free Press* operates Lynx, the central registry of Underground Railroad organizations, and Datebook, the central calendar of contemporary Underground Railroad events, and conducts the annual *Free Press* surveys of the international Underground Railroad community. You are currently at the *Underground Railroad Free Press* website.

The Underground Railroad Foundation

Located in Flushing, Ohio, near the Ohio River where it abuts West Virginia and Pennsylvania, the Foundation sits amidst a dense network of known Underground Railroad routes, safe-houses, personages and history. For east-west travellers on Interstate Route 70, Flushing and the museum are only about twenty minutes away. Visit ugrrf.org for more.

The Underground Railroad Research Institute

The Institute performs research especially on the Underground Railroad in Kentucky where it is located, publishes the *Voice of Freedom* newsletter and hosts symposia and conferences. The Institute moved from Georgetown College to the University of Louisville, both in Kentucky, in 2009. Visit the website [here](#).

The Underground Railroad Society of Cass County

The Society promotes the history of the Underground Railroad in Cass County, Michigan, and owns and operates four local Underground Railroad sites that it had restored. The Society was the 2019 winner of the Underground Railroad Free Press Prize for Restoration. Visit the website [here](#).

Vale Cemetery

This Schenectady, New York, cemetery contains an African American Cultural Plot and the grave of Moses Viney. Visit the cemetery [here](#).

Warsaw Historical Society

This upstate New York historical society has been active in researching the Underground Railroad since 2003 and mounts regular Underground Railroad programs. This area's 1860s Member of Congress, Augustus Frank, Jr., served as floor manager for the bill introducing the XIIIth Amendment to the Constitution and was credited for its passage. Visit the Warsaw Historical Society [here](#).

The Waterford Foundation

Waterford Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, history and research of this Virginia Quaker village with a high antebellum percentage of free Black population. Contact mpolkey@waterfordfoundation.org or visit the website [here](#).

Western Maryland Historical Library

The Library's website offers good overviews of the African-American history of three of the four western Maryland counties: Washington, Allegany and Garrett. [For whatever reason, Frederick County is omitted.] See, for example, the page on Allegany County's Underground Railroad. Visit the Library's website [here](#). Return to top

WGBH

This Boston affiliate of the Public Broadcasting System is PBS's single largest producer of Web and television programming including national favorites such as *Antiques Roadshow*, *Nova*, *Masterpiece* and *Frontline*. WGBH produces more than two-thirds of the nationally distributed programs broadcast by PBS and has been recognized with hundreds of honors

including Emmys, Peabodys and two Academy Awards. WGBH produced "The Abolitionists," a PBS American Experience project. WGBH partnered with *Free Press* to generate initial map content, and collaborated with Historypin.com to create a permanent inter-active abolitionist map at the PBS website and a mobile app for the project which is free at iTunes.