

# Untold American Stories: Black History Month

All workshops meet in the Library Gallery.

Drop-in art activities meet in the Publishing House Lobby.

## Schedule of Events

**TUE**  
FEB 19

**AND**

**FRI**  
FEB 22

### MORNING AND AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

#### Part 1:

10:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.–1:45 p.m.

#### FILM SCREENING AND Q&A

##### “Dancing in the Light: The Janet Collins Story”

*Hear the motivational story of Janet Collins (1917–2003), the first African American prima ballerina.*

#### Part 2:

11:15 a.m.–12:00 noon and 1:45 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

#### DANCE LESSON

*Join local guest educators and learn about the history of stepping, ballet, and hip-hop in the United States. You’ll learn a fun dance routine.*

**WED**  
FEB 20

**AND**

**THU**  
FEB 21

### MORNING AND AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

#### Part 1:

10:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.–1:45 p.m.

#### FILM SCREENING AND Q&A

##### “Flying Free: The Bessie Coleman Story”

*Hear the true story of Bessie Coleman (1892–1926), the first African American woman to obtain a pilot’s license.*

#### Part 2:

11:15 a.m.–12:00 noon and 1:45 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

#### AVIATION-THEMED LESSON

*Create a flying contraption inspired by Bessie Coleman’s story and local artists.*

**DAILY**

### DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

#### FILM SCREENINGS

##### “Garrett’s Gift” (20 minutes)

Every day, 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon

*Learn about the remarkable life of Garrett Morgan (1877–1963), an African American inventor. After moving to a big city, Garrett saw a series of collisions, which spurred him to invent the three-position traffic signal. Narrated by Queen Latifah. Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie, Coretta Scott King Award winner.*

##### “The Journey of Henry ‘Box’ Brown” (28 minutes)

Every day, 12:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

*Be inspired by the true story of Henry “Box” Brown (1816–1897). In 1849 Henry set out on an amazing journey from slavery in Virginia to freedom in Philadelphia. Narrated by Emmy-winning and Oscar-nominated actress Alfre Woodard.*

#### ART PROJECTS

Every day, 10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

*Crafts inspired by artists Kehinde Wiley, Rob Gibbs, Ashley Bryan, Beverly Buchanan, and Harriet Powers.*

#### DANCE LESSONS

Wednesday, February 20 and Thursday, February 21, 12:00 noon–12:45 p.m.

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**DAILY**

## **YOUTH TOURS IN THE MAPPARIUM®**

*World of Ideas* (Grades 6–12)

10:20 a.m.–4:40 p.m.,  
except for 12:20 p.m. and 2:40 p.m.

*What's In A Map?* (Grades K–5)

12:20 p.m. and 2:40 p.m.

The Mapparium is **free** for visitors ages 17 and younger.

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## About our 2019 February school vacation week programming

All week during February school vacation, the Library partners with **Sweet Blackberry®** for fun-filled educational programming, as we explore the inspirational stories of a pilot, a dancer, an inventor, and a freedom fighter! *Sweet Blackberry's* stories illustrate how tremendous obstacles can actually become opportunities for greatness. Youth of all races and ethnicities feel a sense of shared history when they learn about the real people who impact their everyday lives. The Library will offer morning and afternoon activities to complement short film screenings. And don't forget to explore the **Mapparium** all week. It's free for everyone 17 and younger!

## For more information about this program's partner organizations, visit:

- [sweetblackberry.org](http://sweetblackberry.org)
- [facebook.com/soalstepteam](https://facebook.com/soalstepteam)
- [afhboston.org](http://afhboston.org)
- [yamass.org/our-programs/mass-movement-inc](http://yamass.org/our-programs/mass-movement-inc)

## For information on future programs, please visit our website: [mbelibrary.org/programs-events](http://mbelibrary.org/programs-events)



***Bringing little-known stories of African American achievement to children everywhere!***



## MARY BAKER EDDY

At a time when women had few rights or opportunities, Mary Baker Eddy (1821–1910) founded a church, wrote a landmark book, and—at the age of 87—established a newspaper. Discover her extraordinary life, ideas, and achievements at The Mary Baker Eddy Library.

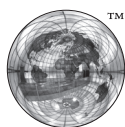


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