

When you are finished, complete the In Freedom's Name Compass Learning Survey between July 15 and August 24. bit.ly/CompassFreedom

Return this form to any HCLS branch by August 24 to be entered to win a prize package sponsored by the Friends and Foundation of Howard County Library System.

Provide the following information so we can contact you if you win a prize:

Name:

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This Compass Learning Adventure is a self-guided educational experience for adults. It gives participants an opportunity to design their own learning experience by deciding which activities they complete and when.



In Freedom's Name

In Freedom's Name is the largest exhibition of its kind in U.S. history, and commemorates the military contributions of Maryland's Black men and women to the expansion of freedom from 1634 until today.

This exhibit covers nearly 400 years of history through 63 stories and 250 images. It is presented by the Maryland Military Historical Society and researched and curated by Stevenson University Department of Public History & Humanities.

The exhibit is on view from June 15 - August 18 with different modules at each HCLS Branch.

Visit hclibrary.org/locations for addresses and hours.

Use the readings and activities below to explore the history and legacy of Black military leaders in Maryland and across the nation.

Consider these Thought Prompts as you explore this Compass Learning Adventure.

- Are there names and stories that you recognize? Are they new to you? What else would you like to know about this story/person/event?
- How has this exhibit and the Compass Learning challenges impacted your understanding of military history? American history?
- How would you describe the scope and impact of Black Military leadership in America? In Maryland?



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Check off activities as you complete them. Complete as many of the suggested readings and activities as you wish. Reading may be substituted for any activity.

Visit each module of the In Freedom's Name exhibition.

- ☐ Central Branch: World War I, Freedom's Frontier & Winning the Frontier
- ☐ Elkridge Branch: Civil War
- ☐ East Columbia Branch: Colonial Era, American Revolution, Spanish American War
- ☐ Glenwood Branch: World War II
- ☐ Miller Branch: War of 1812 & Korean War
- ☐ Savage Branch: Fight Against Slavery, Vietnam War

Read any three titles from the HCLS In Freedom's Name materials list. List your selections below. Find the reading list here: bit.ly/InFreedomNameList

Watch any fiction dvd or documentary from the HCLS In Freedom's Name materials list.

- ☐ Take a virtual visit to Arlington National Cemetery and learn about the history of Black soldiers who have been laid to rest there. bit.ly/ANCcompass
- ☐ Read an excerpt from the poem, "The Day and the War" and a short biography of the author, James Madison Bell. bit.ly/CompassBell
- ☐ Watch Wes Moore's TedTalk, "How to Talk to Veterans About War." bit.ly/MooreVeterans

- ☐ Read this overview of the history of Black women in the military from the Revolutionary War through Iraq and Afghanistan. bit.ly/BufaloSoldierWomen
- ☐ Watch this WBAL-TV news segment on the Monumental City Guard, an all-Black company that formed in Baltimore in 1879. bit.ly/MonumentalGuard
- ☐ Watch this WBAL-TV news segment featuring an interview with retired Command Sgt. Maj. Wilson Thornton where he shares his experience with de-segregation in the military. bit.ly/ThorntonWBAL
- ☐ Read this article about Black surgeons during the Civil War bit.ly/BlackSurgeons
- ☐ Watch this TedTalk from athlete, author, and astronaut Leland Melvin. bit.ly/MelvinTalk
- ☐ Read this article about Black women who volunteered to serve in Vietnam. bit.ly/WomenVietnam
- ☐ Read this article about the military's only all-Black female band, the 404th Armed Service Forces band. bit.ly/Compass404th
- ☐ Read this article on the Harlem Hellfighters, the celebrated African-American regiment that served in WWI. bit.ly/CompassHarlem
- ☐ Read this article on A. Philip Randolph and the desegregation of the military. bit.ly/CompassRandolph
- ☐ Watch this WBAL-TV news segment on civil war hero Christian Fleetwood. bit.ly/CompassFleetwood
- ☐ Read this profile of Baltimore native and former Astronaut Robert Curbeam. bit.ly/Curbeam
- ☐ Read this article on Charles Young, the first Black Colonel in the U.S. Army. bit.ly/CompassYoung
- ☐ Read this article on Cathay Williams, the first documented Black woman to serve in the U.S. Army. bit.ly/CompassWilliams