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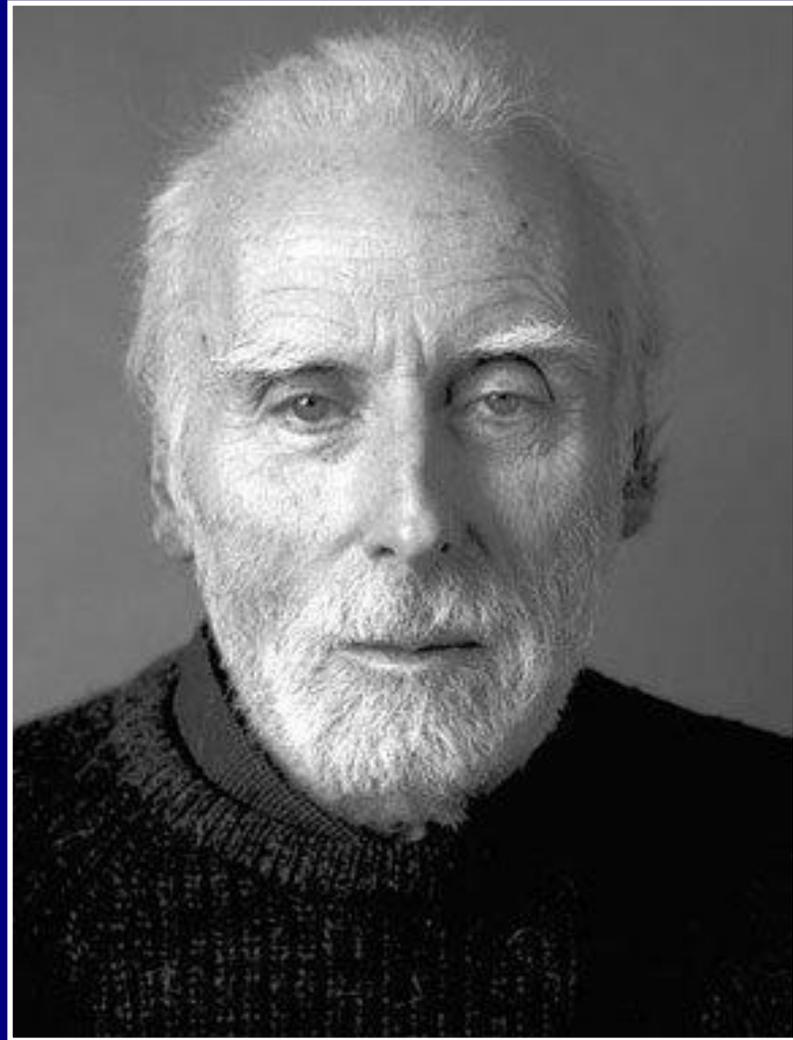
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“The life of the nation
is secure only when
the nation is honest,
truthful, and virtuous.”

—Frederick Douglass—

The Man Who Loved Women



Jack Gilbert & His Poems

Presented by Sue Ellen Thompson

Monday, Dec. 3, 6:00 p.m.

Easton Library

This program is supported in part by the Talbot County Arts Council, with funds from Talbot County and the Towns of Easton, Oxford, and St. Michaels.

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From the Director's Desk

Fall brings with it the new school year, and the Talbot County Free Library has all sorts of exciting new programs and initiatives in store for this important time of year. Events scheduled for September include Frederick Douglass Day and "Talbot Goes Purple."

The library is partnering with the Frederick Douglass Honor Society and others to stage Frederick Douglass Day on September 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., this year in conjunction with Douglass's bicentennial. There will be a parade, live music, presentation of the colors, and a special presentation by the former director of the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, Professor Spencer Crew of George Mason University.

The library will also be joining the county-wide Opioid epidemic awareness campaign, "Talbot Goes Purple," to promote awareness of substance abuse and the dangers our society faces from the opioid epidemic. Throughout the month of September, the library will have educational activities and displays centered about this critical issue. To help build awareness of "Talbot Goes Purple," the library will again be offering purple library cards (while supplies last) to those registering for a library card.



Speaking of which, September is also library card sign-up month, so please join us in our efforts to make sure that every child and adult in Talbot County has a library card, their personal reading passport to a world of knowledge and discovery. Signing up for a library card is the first step toward academic achievement and lifelong learning. By reading to their children, caregivers help create within their young ones a lifelong love of reading that will offer them both joy and success. And, of course, library cards are a crucial lifelong learning tool for adults, too. So, if you know of somebody who doesn't know about the tools and resources that are theirs for free with a library card, why not celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month by inviting them to stop by the library and sign up today!

September is a big month at the library for Maryland Humanities' One Maryland One Book—the program in which people all across the state read the same book at the same time. This year's selection, *Bloodsworth*, tells the true story of a Dorchester County Watermen who was wrongly accused of murder and sentenced to death. Bill Peak will facilitate four discussions of the book in September, and then, on October 4, the Talbot County Free Library, in partnership with the Caroline County Public Library and Dorchester County Public Schools, will host a talk by *Bloodsworth* author Tim Junkin in the auditorium at Cambridge-South Dorchester High School. We've been very excited to learn that the book's subject, Kirk Bloodsworth, will also appear at this event.

Finally, from October 26 – November 11, the library will host its third annual Maryland STEM Festival with fun, engaging activities that will help people of all ages learn more about science, technology, engineering, and math.

The Talbot County Free Library is going to be an exciting place this Fall, so please, come in, check us out, and see what else we're thinking up ... just for you!

Dana Newman

Children's Programming



Leaves

How silently they tumble down
And come to rest upon the
ground
To lay a carpet, rich and rare,
Beneath the trees without a
care,
Content to sleep, their work
well done,
Colors gleaming in the sun.

At other times, they wildly fly
Until they nearly reach the sky.
Twisting, turning through the
air
Till all the trees stand stark and
bare.
Exhausted, drop to earth below
To wait, like children, for the
snow.

—Elsie N. Brady—



Easton

Afternoon Chess Academy

Tuesdays, September 4 & 18, October 2 & 16, and November 6, 4:30 p.m. Learn and play chess. For ages 6 - 16. Snacks served. Limited space, please pre-register at www.tcfl.org.



Music of Minecraft

Saturday, September 8, 2:00 p.m. The Front Porch Orchestra will play selections from Daniel Rosenfeld's dreamy, minimalist Minecraft soundtrack—all of it arranged with a twist of bluegrass! Fun for the whole family! Supported in part by the Talbot County Arts Council.



Story Time

Tuesdays, September 11 - November 27 (excluding Nov. 20), 10:00 a.m. For ages 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

We are Makers

Enjoy art and creativity. For ages 6 - 12. Pre-registration required at www.tcfl.org.
Wednesday, September 12, 4:00 p.m.: Drawing animals.
Wednesday, October 3, 4:00 p.m.: MuzArt with Jonathan Williams. Sketch your impressions and create a "soundtrack" using easy to play Celtic-tuned ukulele.

Read with Latte, a Certified Therapy Dog

Mondays, September 17, October 15, and November 26, 4:00 p.m. Bring a book or choose a library book and read with Janet Dickey and her dog, Latte. For children 5 and older.



Sensitive Story Time

Wednesdays, September 26, October 24, and November 28, 10:30 a.m. For sensitive children 5 and under, who prefer a calm, comfortable, quiet environment with few distractions. One caregiver per child is required. If you plan to attend, please contact Laura Powell at 410-822-1626 or lpowell@tcfl.org.

We are Builders

Wednesdays, September 26, October 17, and November 28, 4:00 p.m. Enjoy STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Build with LEGOS and Zoobs. For ages 6 - 12.



Note: The library may photograph or film patrons for library promotional purposes. Please notify library staff if you do not want yourself or your child to be photographed. Thank you.

Special Story Time: Marvelous Monarchs!

Tuesday, October 16, 10:00 a.m. Join Pickering Creek's Teacher Naturalist Krysta Hougan to discover the joy of Monarch butterflies. Story and craft program. For ages 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

**Young Gardeners' Club** (For children in grades 1 - 4. Please pre-register.)

Thursday, October 18, 3:45 p.m.: Window Sill Herb Gardens

Thursday, Nov. 1, 3:45 p.m.: Making Ornaments for the Festival of Trees

The Young Gardeners' Club is sponsored by the Talbot County Garden Club.

**S.T.E.A.M. Festival**

Saturday, Nov. 3, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Live music, snacks, fun, and discovery! Fun hands-on Challenge Island STEM program at 10:30 a.m. for children in grades 1-5 (first come, first served). 1:00 - 3:00: Oyster Games!

**St. Michaels****Maker Space**

Wednesdays, September 5, October 3, and November 7, 3:30 p.m. Design and create using Legos and Zoobs.

Family Crafts

Tuesday, September 11, 3:30 p.m.: Decorate Back-to-School Folders

Tuesday, October 2, 3:30 p.m.: Create a Treasure Box

Tuesday, November 6, 3:30 p.m.: Fall/Thanksgiving Crafts

Story Time

Wednesdays, September 12 & 26, October 24, and November 14 & 28, 10:30 a.m. For children 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

Family Unplugged Games

Thursdays, September 20, October 11, and November 1, 3:30 p.m. Bring the whole family to the library for an afternoon of board games and fun educational children's games. For all ages (children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

**S.T.E.A.M. Story Time at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum's Lighthouse**

Wednesday, October 10, 10:30 a.m. Enjoy STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) story time and exploration inside the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum's Lighthouse. Pre-registration is required for free admission to the museum. Please call the St Michaels Library at 410-745-5877 to pre-register for this free event. For ages 5 and under accompanied by an adult.

**Family S.T.E.A.M. Program: Create Paper-Engineered Pop-Up Cards**

Saturday, November 3, 2:00 p.m. Enjoy the exciting process of creating your own pop-up cards! For all ages (children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

**Native American Culture Celebration**

Thursday, November 15, 2:00 p.m. Ms. JoAnn Brown, local owner of Justamere Trading Post, will share Native American artifacts, trivia, storytelling, and the opportunity to participate in crafts. Please pre-register at www.tcfl.org. For all ages (children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

Teen & Adult Programs

Easton

Afternoon Chess Academy

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Urban Gardening

Thursday, September 6, 5:30 p.m. Want to grow more of your own food, but feeling restricted by space? Talbot County Master Gardeners Missy Corley and Neoma Rohman talk about their experiences as urban gardeners farming in downtown Easton.



The Music of Minecraft with The Front Porch Orchestra

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The Front Porch
Orchestra

Stitching Time

Mondays, September 10, October 15, and November 5, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Work on your favorite project with a group. Limited instruction provided for beginners. Newcomers are welcome!

The Spanish Club

Mondays, September 10 & 24, October 1, 8, 22, & 29, and November 5 & 26, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. This program is designed for low/medium Spanish language adult beginners, or those who want to refresh Spanish skills acquired in the past. Class size is limited to 15. Pre-registration is required. Students who attend 80% of the classes will receive a Certificate of Completion.



One Maryland One Book Discussion: *Bloodsworth*

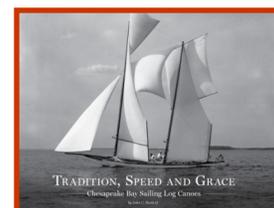
Monday, September 10, 6:30 p.m. "Library Guy" Bill Peak hosts a discussion of this year's One Maryland One Book, *Bloodsworth* by Tim Junkin.

Ask a Master Gardener

Thursdays, September 13 & 27, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. You have gardening questions, we have the very best gardening answers!

Tradition, Speed and Grace: Chesapeake Bay Sailing Log Canoes by John C. North II

Thursday, September 13, 6:30 p.m. Pete Leshner of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum discusses Judge John C. North II's new book on the joys and thrills of log canoe racing.



Easton Library Book Group Discussion: *Bloodsworth* by Tim Junkin

Monday, September 17, 6:30 p.m. The Easton library book group discusses this year's One Maryland One Book, *Bloodsworth* by Tim Junkin.

Learn Microsoft PowerPoint from a Pro

Tuesday, September 18, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Computer Training Specialist Rita Hill offers another of her popular introductory classes, this time in Microsoft's PowerPoint. Participants are asked to bring their own PC laptop (no Apple laptops, please) or just observe.

Lunch & Learn: Chair Exercises To Do While Watching TV

Thursday, September 20, noon. Physical therapist assistant Shelby Vincent shows you how easy it is to incorporate exercise into your daily routine.



Frederick Douglass Day

Saturday, September 22, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The library joins with the Frederick Douglass Honor Society and other local organizations to sponsor this annual celebration of Talbot County's most famous native son. Speakers, a parade, food vendors, free music, and more!

Financial Literacy: Fighting Fraud and Identity Theft

Monday, September 24, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Join the staff of Shore United Bank and the Talbot County Free Library to learn tips on how to prevent identity theft and protect your privacy.



A Pro's Tips & Tricks for Microsoft Word

Tuesday, October 2, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. Computer Training Specialist Rita Hill offers another of her popular introductory classes, this time in Microsoft Word. Participants are asked to bring their own PC. laptop (no Apple laptops, please) or just observe.



Chesapeake Book Discussion: *Beautiful Swimmers*

Thursday, October 4, 6:30 p.m. The Chesapeake Bay Book Club (open to all) kicks off its existence with a discussion of William Warner's Pulitzer Prize-winner, *Beautiful Swimmers*.

One Maryland One Book Author Tim Junkin to Speak in Cambridge

Thursday, October 4, 7:00 p.m. The Talbot County Free Library, in partnership with the Caroline County Public Library and Dorchester County Public Schools, hosts a reading and talk in the Cambridge-South Dorchester High School (2475 Cambridge Beltway) by Tim Junkin, the author of this year's One Maryland One Book, *Bloodsworth*. Special appearance by Kirk Bloodsworth.



Tim Junkin

Opening Art Show Reception

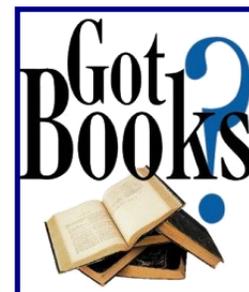
Friday, October 5, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. A great opportunity to see local talent in the disciplines of drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, and various other visual art forms. Many of the works are offered for sale by directly contacting the artist. Sponsored by the Talbot County Arts Council and the St. Michaels Art League in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Maryland State Arts Council and the 40th of the Talbot County Arts Council.

Friends Book Sale: Volunteers Needed!

Tuesday, October 9 - Saturday, October 13. We need book sorters, cashiers, carriers, party prep, and clean-up crew to make the Friends of the Library Big Book Sale and Preview Party happen. If you'd like to volunteer, contact Suzanne at zsand@goeaston.net. Whether you can do an hour or a day, it's a fun way to help your community.

Friends Book Sale: Book Donation Days

Tuesday, October 9, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., and Wednesday, October 10, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. We would love to find a new home for your books, CDs, and DVDs. Please: items in good, clean condition only. Bring them to the Easton library (100 W. Dover St.). Make room on your shelves, and get a tax write-off too!



Friends Book Sale: Preview Party

Thursday, October 11, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Members of Friends of the Library get first dibs on the Big Book Sale goodies. You can join at the door if you're not already a member. Come party with your library Friends at the library's Easton branch. Yummy food and drink, good company, and great reads!

Friends of the Library Big Book Sale

Friday, October 12, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, October 13, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The Friends of the Library's Big Book Sale is open to all, with thousands of books, DVDs, and CDs at bargain prices. Two large rooms full at the library's Easton branch, 100 W. Dover Street. All profits benefit both our Easton and St. Michaels libraries.



Book Discussion: *What She Ate* by Laura Shapiro

Monday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.

Lunch & Learn:

Empty Bowls: Working Together to End Hunger in Talbot County One Bowl at a Time

Thursday, October 18, noon. Tarah Kleinert and Anna Harding will speak about hunger in Talbot County and the contribution Empty Bowls has been making for the past 10 years in support of our local food pantries.



Kleinert & Harding

Financial Literacy: Budgeting for All Ages: Straight Talk about Your Money

Monday, October 22, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Learn how to make a budget and discover the best ways to save money, no matter what your age. The staff of Shore United Bank and Talbot Library will introduce you to many free resources available to help you plan for the financial transitions and challenges of your life.



Chesapeake Book Discussion: *The Nature Fix*

Thursday, November 1, 6:30 p.m. The Chesapeake Bay Book Club (open to all) discusses *The Nature Fix* by Florence Williams.

Author of *Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia* to Speak

Thursday, November 1, 6:30 p.m. Author John Muller will discuss the little-known story of Douglass's final years at his beautiful home, Cedar Hill, in Washington's Anacostia neighborhood. During this time, Douglass was involved in local politics, aided in the formation of Howard University, and edited a groundbreaking newspaper.

Lunch & Learn: The State of Mental Health in Our Community

Thursday, November 15, noon. For All Seasons' Executive Director Beth Anne Langrell talks about mental health in our community and how to end the stigma surrounding mental illness. Learn how traumatic events can play a role in mental health.

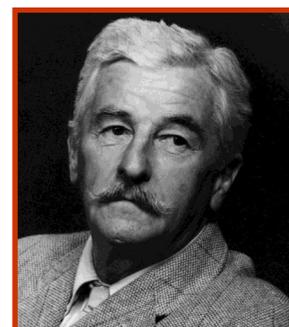
Financial Literacy: Avoiding Credit Card Debt

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Learn Microsoft Outlook from a Pro

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William Faulkner

Book Discussion: *As I Lay Dying* by William Faulkner

Monday, November 19, 6:30 p.m.

Financial Literacy: Your Credit Score and How to Correct it

Monday, November 26, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Laura Heikes presents the last in her series of Financial Literacy lectures sponsored by Shore United Bank and the library.



St. Michaels Teen & Adult Programs

Arts & Crafts

Thursdays, September 6, October 4, and November 1, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Free instruction for knitting, beading, needlework and tatting. Bring your coloring books, Zentangle pens or anything else that fuels your passion for being creative. You may also bring a lunch.

Bay Hundred Chess

Wednesdays, September 12 & 26, October 10 & 24, and November 14 & 28, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Learn and play the strategic game of chess. Beginners welcome.

One Maryland One Book Discussion: *Bloodsworth*

Thursday, September 13, 3:00 p.m. “Library Guy” Bill Peak hosts a discussion of this year’s One Maryland One Book, *Bloodsworth* by Tim Junkin.



Saturday Speaker Series: Fake News & How to Spot It

Saturday, September 15, 2:00 p.m. Ryan O'Grady of the Enoch Pratt Free Library provides you with strategies for evaluating information sources and spotting fake news.

Book Arts for Teens & Adults

Explore the process of creating a personal journal/book.

Monday, September 17, 3:30 p.m.: Fold and Cut Book

Monday, October 22, 3:30 p.m.: Accordion Book

Monday, November 26, 3:30 p.m.: Japanese Bound Book



Tuesday Movie @ Noon

September 25: *Victoria and Abdul*

October 30: *It Happened One Night*

November 27: *The Darkest Hour*

Coloring for Teens & Adults

Tuesdays, September 25, October 30, and November 20, 3:30 p.m. Explore the relaxing process of coloring!



Memoir Writers

Thursdays, October 11 & 25, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Record and share your memories of life and family with a group of friendly, like-minded people. Participants are invited to bring their lunch.

St. Michaels Book Group Discussion: *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult

Wednesday, October 17, 3:30 -5:00 p.m.

Lot O' Shakespeare!

Monday, October 29, 3:00 p.m. In a dazzling display of memorization and characterization, Tim Mooney has captured some of the most stirring speeches, the most outrageous situations, the most wicked double-entendres, and the most sonorous soliloquies ever to emerge from Shakespeare's pen. Free tickets for this performance will be available at the library beginning October 22.



Lunch & Learn: How to Use the Library's Ancestry.com Database

Monday, November 5, noon. Maryland Room Librarian Becky Riti provides an elementary introduction to Ancestry Library Edition. Learn how to access and search on-line census records, vital records, Find a Grave, and more.

Storytime for Grownups

Thursday, November 15, noon. Betty Dorbin shares three stories written for children but better for adults: *The Power of Speech* by Natalie Babbit, *Come Again in the Spring* by Richard Kennedy and *Star Mother's Youngest Child* by Louise Moerie. Bring your lunch and the library will provide dessert and coffee.



Nutrient Pollution & Water Quality: Global Insight, Local Perspective

Thursday, November 15, 6:30 p.m. Horn Point Lab's Dr. Patricia Gilbert will give a talk entitled "Nutrient Pollution and Water Quality: Global Insight, Local Perspective." While many easily recognize the natural beauty Bay country offers, the Horn Point Laboratory is offering these "Science After Hours with Horn Point Laboratory" programs to make the science of the Chesapeake Bay as accessible as its beauty.



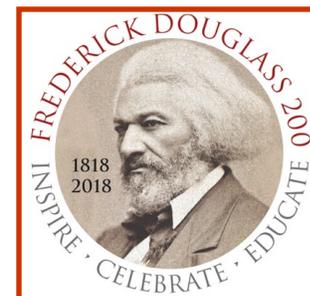
Dr. Patricia Gilbert

Saturday Speakers Series: Cross-cultural Communications as Seen through a Diplomat's Eyes

Saturday, November 17, 2:00 p.m. The veteran of a long diplomatic career, Kimberly Krhounek presents a program on cross-cultural communication and shares some of the arts and crafts she has collected from around the world.

St. Michaels Library Book Group Discussion: *Elephant Company* by Vicki Constantine Croke

Wednesday, November 21, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.



Events Taking Place this Fall in Celebration of Frederick Douglass's Bicentennial

Professor Celeste-Marie Bernier Discusses Her Book, *If I Survive*

Saturday, September 8, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Waterfowl Building, Easton. Marking two hundred years since the birth of Frederick Douglass, *If I Survive* is a collection of previously unpublished essays, speeches, autobiographies and letters written by the women and men in the Douglass family.

Dr. Michael Eric Dyson: "Race, Racism, and Race Relations in America"

Wednesday, September 12, 7:00 p.m. Todd Performing Arts Center, Chesapeake College. Dr. Dyson is a professor at Georgetown University, a *New York Times* contributing editorialist, a contributing editor for *The New Republic*, and author of *Tears We Cannot Stop: A Sermon to White America*.

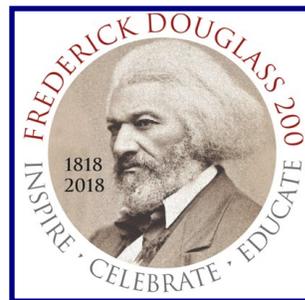


Dr. Dyson

Celebration and Fund-Raising Party: Mid-Shore Early Learning Center

Saturday, September 15, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Waterfowl Building, Easton. This party, in support of the Mid-Shore Early Learning Center, will celebrate Frederick Douglass's life and legacy and feature heavy hors d'oeuvres, music, drinks, and fund-raising games.

**Events Taking Place this Fall in Celebration of
Frederick Douglass's Bicentennial
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Frederick Douglass Day

Saturday, September 22, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The library joins with the Frederick Douglass Honor Society and other local organizations to sponsor this annual celebration of Talbot County's most famous native son. Speakers, a parade, food vendors, free music, and more! See cover for full details.

Frederick—An Opera

Friday, September 28, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Waterfowl Building, Easton. World premier of the original work, *Frederick*, by Jason McKinney. Mr. McKinney has performed on stage at The Kennedy Center, The White House, The Semper Opera House in Desden, Germany, and the Theatre Carré in Amsterdam, Netherlands, among others.



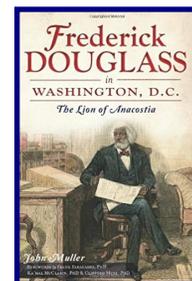
Jason McKinney

NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet

Saturday, October 13, 5:00 p.m. The Milestone, Easton.

Author of *Frederick Douglass in Washington, D.C.: The Lion of Anacostia* to Speak

Thursday, November 1, 6:30 p.m., Easton branch of the Talbot County Free Library. Author John Muller will discuss the little-known story of Douglass's final years at his beautiful home, Cedar Hill, in Washington's Anacostia neighborhood. During this time, Douglass was involved in local politics, aided in the formation of Howard University, and edited a groundbreaking newspaper.



Frederick Douglass Returns to Talbot County

Sunday, November 25, noon. Location to be determined.

Dr. Spencer Crew

Currently: Robinson Professor,
U.S. History,
George Mason University

Former President:
National Underground Railroad
Freedom Center



Former Director:
Smithsonian's National
Museum of American History

Curator:
“Field to Factory:
Afro-American Migration
1915 - 1940”—NMAH

Keynote Speaker, Frederick Douglass Day, Saturday, Sept. 22