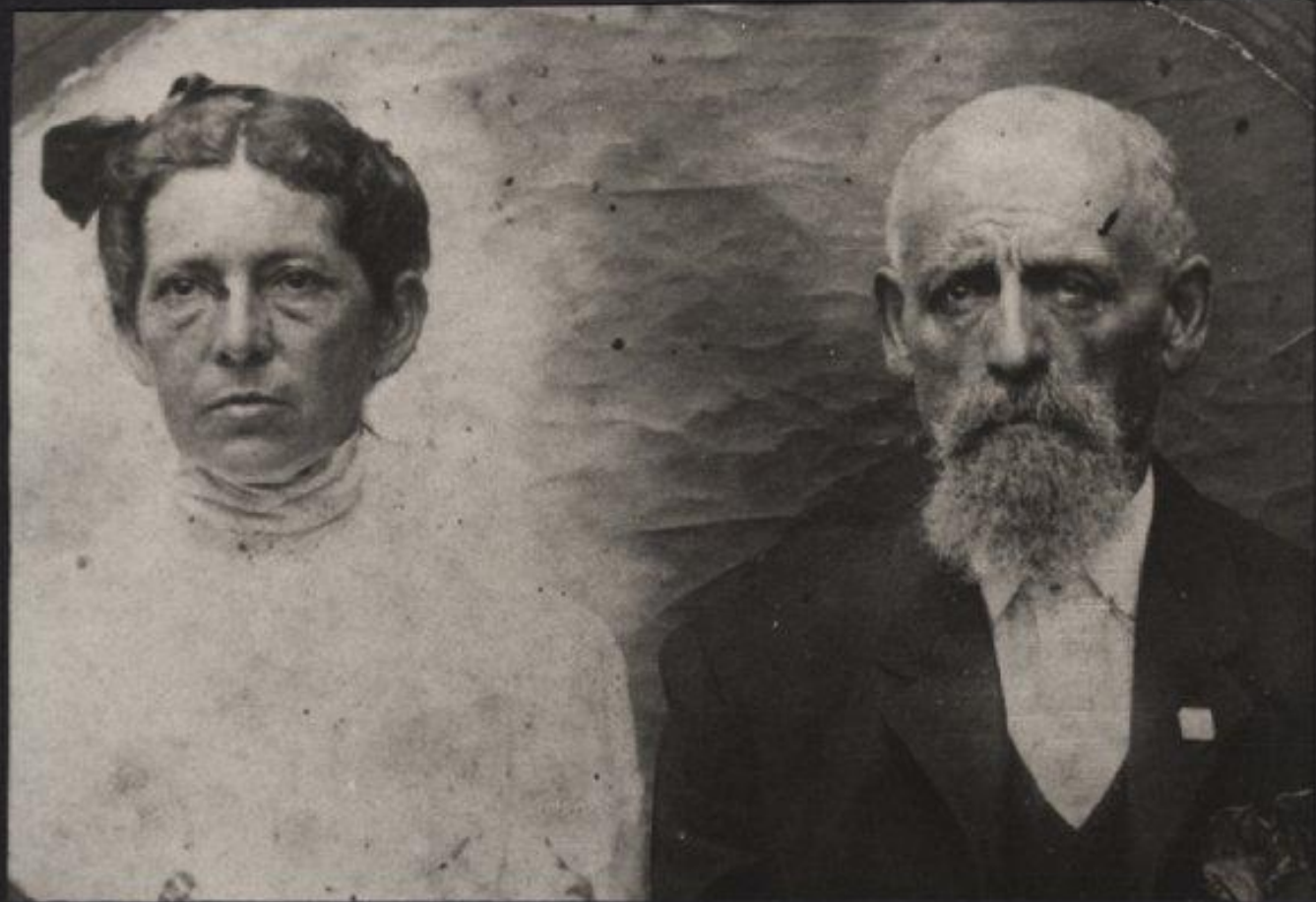




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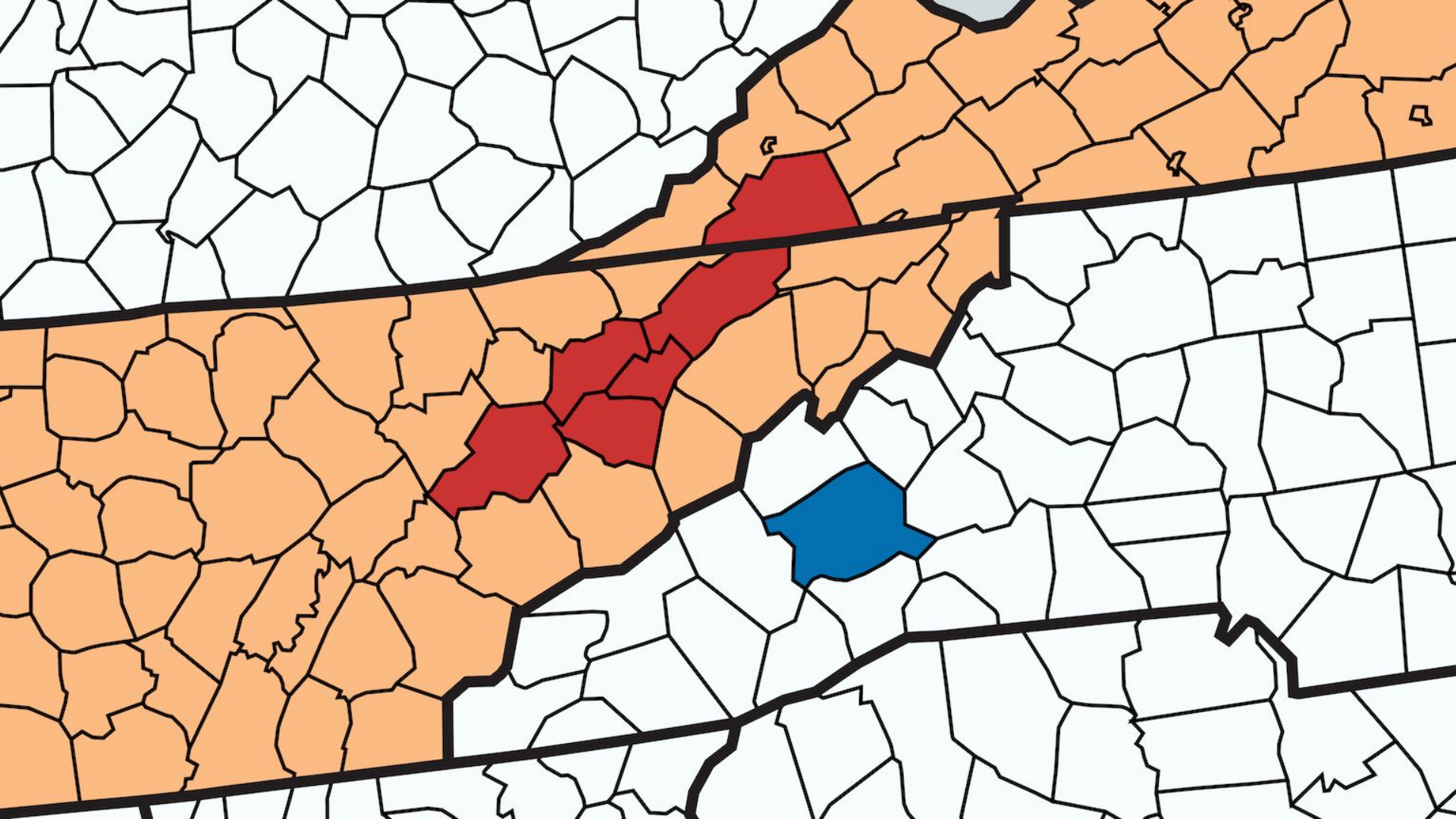


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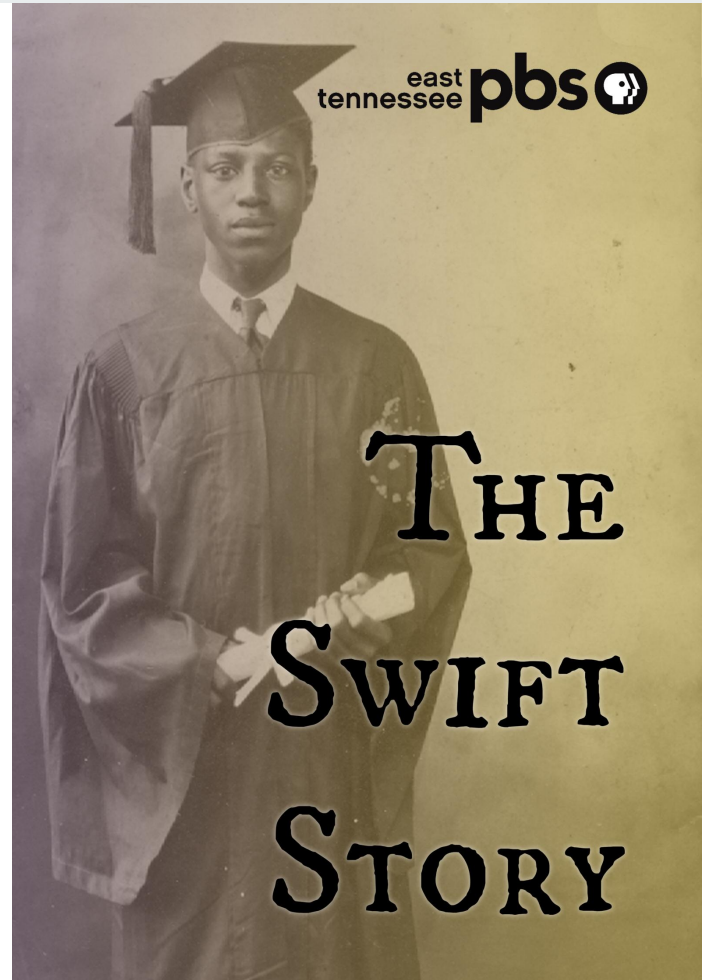
Working to highlight the history of African Americans in the development of our region and its culture.

Through research, local narratives, public engagement and exhibition, this project aims to raise the visibility and contributions of the Black communities in the Mountain South.



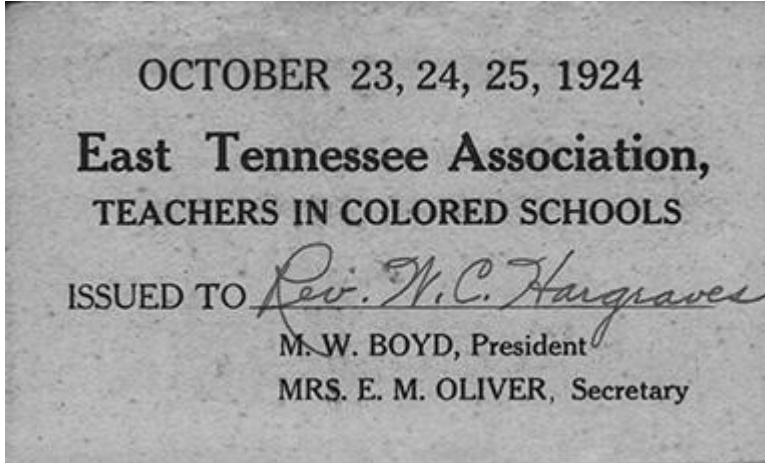
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is recorded in John 3:16-
"For God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten
Son, that whosoever believeth
in him should not perish, but
have everlasting life". Hereby
perceive we the love of God, be-
cause he laid down his life
for us, and we ought to lay
down our lives for the brethren;
1 John 3:16; James gives us
the practical side of Christian
obligation, duty, and responsi-
bility: "Care religion and under-
standings before God and the brethren
is this, to visit the fatherless
(and widows) their affliction,
and to keep himself unspotted
from the world." James 1:27.
(2) "Rejoice, he saith, the
desire of praise to God."
"The fruit of the lips that

equally with Christ the
high priest, have access
to God in the holiest." Having
therefore, brethren, boldness to
enter into the holiest by the
blood of Jesus,
By a new and living way,
which he hath consecrated
for us, through the veil, that
is to say, his flesh;
And having a high priest
not the house of God,
Let us draw near with a
true heart, in full assurance
of faith, having our hearts
sprinkled from an evil con-
science, and our bodies
washed with pure water.
Heb. 10:19-22.
(3) In the exercise of his of-

15.
opportunity and salvation
to them? When he had thought
that this blessed privilege
was meant for the Jews
alone, and was knowingly
for them by a vision of a
great met, with all manner
of hearts revealed to Peter
the truth that the same
blessings were intended for
the Gentiles. "What had been
cleansed call not show com-
mon and unclean."
So may we not recognize
him addressing these terms:
"Chosen generation", "royal
priesthood", "holy nation, and
peculiar people", to the Gen-
tiles, as well as to the Jews?
Every one who had passed
from darkness to light may

13.
mandament unto the child-
ren of Israel." Galatians 3:25-28.
(4) May he meet offer sacrifice
of his substance? But to
do good and to communicate
forget not; for with such
sacrifice, and is well plea-
ed. Heb. 13:16; "Distributing to
the necessity of saints; given
to hospitality." Rom. 12:13;
"Let him that is taught in the
word communicate unto him
that teacheth in all good
things." Gal. 6:6. And, "Be not
forgetful to entertain strangers
as: for thereby some have en-
tertained angels unawares."
Heb. 13:2.
In the next place, The H.P.
priest is also an intercessor.
"2. Sooth therefore, that first

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HOME COMING

Sunday, August 14th

At New Market, Tenn.

St. Lukes Presbyterian Church

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Responsibility.

How do we, not only tell these stories, but:

- Leave these collections in better condition than when we viewed them
- Make them available to the world



The Need.

- Labor
- Systems
- Accessibility
- Ownership
- Funding

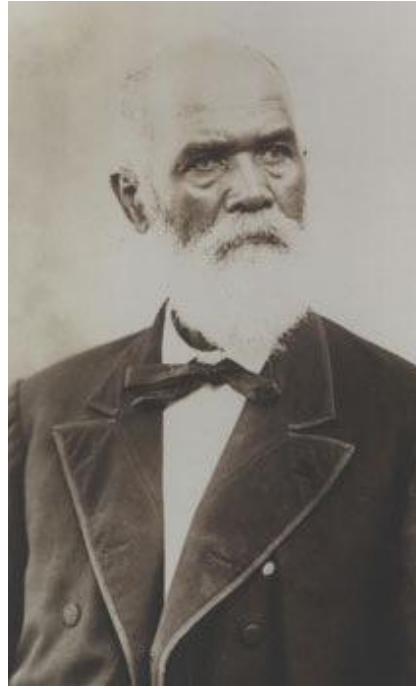


Model Development



Greeneville, Tennessee

- 3 years into a documentation project (*8th of August*)
- Secured community partners; local museum & annual celebration organizers





Practicum Partnership

Series of meetings with Department Head that included project goals & needs in written form.

After which, project engagement required student interest.

Organizational recognition.



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Resident-focused Framework

- Entities have extracted oral histories, interviews and data from communities without leaving those materials and information with those communities
- Archives have taken materials and photographs out of communities without providing easy access to those materials
- Black history components are often spread out over multiple entities with-in the community without a process for sharing or easy accessibility by researchers & residents
- Residents are afraid to make the materials they've held available to outsiders
- Lack of active listening by in-comers means important materials are often overlooked.



Resident-focused Framework

- All oral histories, photographs, produced media & scanned materials are returned to the community on hard drives & made available, for free, online
- The community as a whole maintains ownership of all materials & determines how those materials are best used
- Gathering, digitizing & cataloging of available materials across libraries, museums and historic societies
- Building trust by doing what you say you're going to do, when you say you're going to do it.
- Residents are the experts.



Community History Days











Presenting Back

- Development of a searchable Finding Aid across entities; Archives, Museum, Local College
- Cataloging digitized materials
- Transcription & Editing of oral histories
- Consistent feedback & engagement with residents





Public Accessibility

- Need for a platform to make all digitized & cataloged materials available to the public
- <https://omeka.org/>



Process



Making All PDF's Searchable

Migrating Materials from Hard Drives to shared Google Drive, Spreadsheet Creation, Cataloging & Renaming



Google Drive



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Learning Permissions Processes & Building the Collections on Site



Deliverables



Searchable,
Collection-specific Website
with downloadable content



A fully documented &
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Methods for community
members to continue to
contribute, indefinitely



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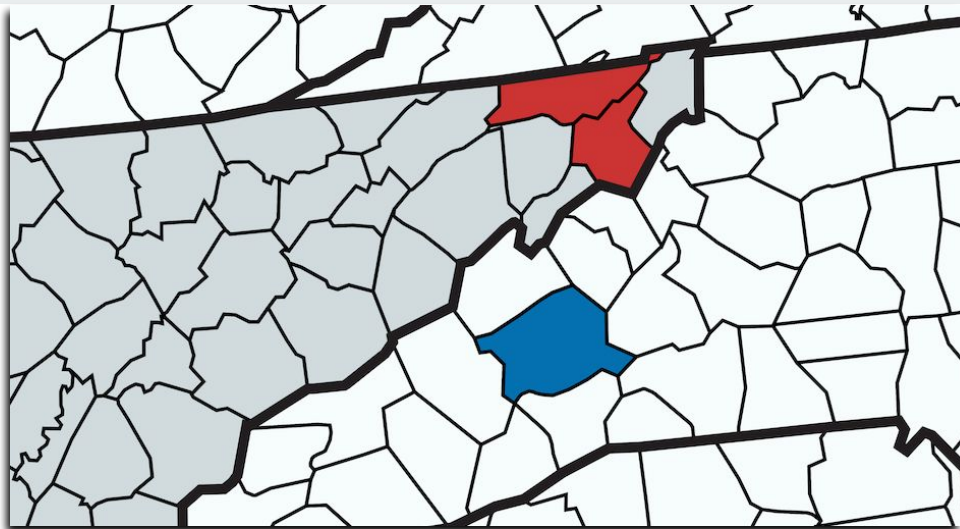


A Regional Resource

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