



THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF AFRICAN  
AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY, INC.

# 1619 – 2019 Commemoration

Commemorate 400 Years of Perseverance



VISIT THE 400TH COMMEMORATION  
WEBSITE AT

<https://asalh.org/400-years/>

Honor the ancestors and 400 years of African American resilience!  
Make sure there is a 400th Commemorative event in your community.  
Create an event. Then, place your event on our National Calendar of  
Events.

ASALH provides a clearinghouse for events to recognize the 400th  
Anniversary of the 1619 arrival of Africans in the Virginia Colony.





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## COMMEMORATE 400 YEARS OF PERSEVERANCE

### Our Story/Our Narrative

The 400th Commemoration of the arrival of Africans in the first permanent English Colony in North America highlights the perseverance of Africans from 1619 to the present. The Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) views the 400th Commemoration as an event of historic importance for ALL people, but especially those of African descent. Each year ASALH establishes a Black History Theme. This commemoration speaks directly to ASALH's selected annual Black History theme for 2019—"Black Migrations."

The Association for the Study of African Life and History (ASALH), the founders of Black History Month, founded in 1915, is the premier organization devoted to the research, interpretation, preservation and dissemination of the history of people of African descent to the global community. For more information about the Annual Black History Theme, the 400th Commemorative Calendar, and the Annual Black History Luncheon, visit [asalh.org](http://asalh.org).