ABOUT ASALH

HISTORY
Founded by Carter Godwin Woodson in 1915, ASALH is the oldest organization devoted to the study of Black life, history, and culture.

MISSION
The mission is to promote, research, preserve, interpret, and disseminate information about Black life, history, and culture to the global community.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS
- Founded the Journal of Negro History in 1916 now the Journal of African American History
- Founded the Associated Publishers in 1921
- Reincorporated in 1950
- Inaugurated Negro History Week in 1926
- Founded the Negro History Bulletin in 1937 now the Black History Bulletin
- Founded Black History Month in 1976
- Partnered with the National Park Service in the Designation of Carter G. Woodson Home Historic Site as the 389th Unit of the National Park System

FATHER OF BLACK HISTORY

Carter Godwin Woodson

ASALH EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Selection of Annual Black History Theme
Annual Black History Theme Resource Materials
ASALH Branches, including youth guilds and campus-based branches
Professional Speakers’ Bureau
National and local partnerships with government agencies
Promotion of national, state and local history projects

EVENTS
February Black History Month Festival
September 9th Annual observance of ASALH Founders’ Day,
September/October National Conference/Annual Meeting
December 19th Annual observance of Dr. Carter G. Woodson’s birthday

HIGHLIGHTED PROGRAMS
SOCIAL JUSTICE AT ASALH
In partnership with Howard University and sponsored by the Mellon Just Futures Initiative, Social Justice at ASALH, is a cross-organizational, cross-institutional, interdisciplinary initiative that includes fellowships, workshops, and outreach materials on social justice.

THE BLACK FAMILY: UNITED BY HISTORY, RESTORED BY STORYTELLING
In collaboration with Archival Alchemy®, this national program centers the legacy of Black family reunions while encouraging families of all backgrounds to build and renew their own traditions and stories.
Sponsored by New York Life.

ASALH TV
Explore author book talks, reading rooms, and other sessions on our premier YouTube channel.

THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE/ASALH PARTNERSHIP
The partnership seeks to, in part, execute projects that will engage, the partners, communities, and visitors in shared environmental stewardship and will promote greater public and private participation in historic preservation programs and activities.

FOR OTHER ASALH PROGRAMS, VISIT ASALH.ORG

Association for the Study of African American Life and History®

MEMBERSHIP FORM

“If a race has no history, if it has no worthwhile tradition, it becomes a negligible factor in the thought of the world, and it stands in danger of being exterminated.”

– Carter Godwin Woodson

THE FOUNDERS OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Carter Godwin Woodson

FATHER OF BLACK HISTORY
ASALH’S MEMBERSHIP YEAR
JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

GENERAL, SENIOR, AND STUDENT MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Discounts on annual conference registration
All conference presenters and participants in authors’ book signings must be members.

Digital subscription to the Journal of African American History (JAAH), including back issues
A print subscription is available for an additional yearly fee of $20 for non-branch members.

Digital subscription to the Black History Bulletin
BHB and available back issues – a perfect resource for K-12 educators

Free online posting of member-authored books on the ASALH Bookshelf

LIFE & JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
• All the benefits of a General/Senior/Student Membership, plus...
  • A print subscription to the Journal of African American History
  • Life Interim payments of $360 for five consecutive years

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
• The same benefits as General members except for no publications and no voting in the general election.

DUAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
• All benefits of an Individual Membership are shared between two individuals living in the same household.

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
• All the benefits of a General/Senior/Life interim/Student Membership, plus...
  • Two digital and print subscriptions to the Journal of African American History and the Black History Bulletin
  • Two sets of Annual Black History Theme Resource Materials
  • Priority booking of ASALH Speakers Bureau “Distinguished Lecturers”

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

BECOME A MEMBER
Scan the QR code below to become a member or visit asalh.org/join

BRANCH ORGANIZING
Consider organizing an ASALH branch in your local community! ASALH makes it easy and rewarding, providing ready-made materials with an easy-to-follow step-by-step plan tailored specifically to recruit, manage, and grow a local branch. Contact the National Office for details.

VOLUNTEERS
ASALH enthusiastically welcomes any and all volunteers! Retirees, senior citizen organizations, and anybody with a flexible schedule can share their time and talents to promote the study of Black life, history, and culture. High school and college students may use volunteer service at ASALH to fulfill their institution’s community service learning requirements.

PUBLICATIONS
Journal of African American History
ASALH’s peer-reviewed scholarly journal

Black History Bulletin
Dedicated to historical teaching and learning. Edited by teachers specifically for K-12 educators

THE ASALH STORE
Purchase a variety of items such as limited edition prints by world renowned artist Charles Bibbs, books, posters, Annual Black History Theme Resource Materials, lapel pins, and holiday ornaments to show your proud support of our mission. All items can be purchased at www.asalh.org

DONATIONS
Donations from members and supporters provide valuable resources to create programs and materials to support Black History. Life members who make donations at the levels below are reflected in event souvenir journals.

Heritage Hero $50-$99 (for Senior members only)
Heritage Defender $100-$149
Heritage Guardian $150 or more
Heritage Crusader $1,000 or more
All donations are tax deductible