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John E. Fleming, Ph.D. **ASALH President** **2007-2009**

John E. Fleming received his B.A. from Berea College and M.A. and Ph.D. from Howard University. He was a Peace Corps volunteer in Malawi, East Africa. He served as a senior fellow in the Institute for the Study of Educational Policy at Howard University before becoming the director for the National Afro-American Museum in Wilberforce, Ohio, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center and the Cincinnati Museum Center in Cincinnati, the International African American Museum in Charleston and Senior Historian for the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum in Jackson.



Dr. Fleming has served as president of the Ohio Museums Association, the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, the Association of African American Museums and the American Association for State and Local History. He was appointed by President Bush to serve on the planning Commission for the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of African American History and Culture. Dr. Fleming was given distinguished service awards by the Association of African American Museums, the Ohio Library Association, Berea College, the American Association for State and Local History, the Association of Mid-west Museums and the National Peace Corps.

He had published four books and 46 articles and chapters in books. He was the immediate past director of the National Museum of African American Music. He was an independent Museum Consultant and a member of Alpha Phi Alpha and Sigma Pi Phi Fraternities. He was also appointed by Governor Mike DeWine to serve on the Ohio Semiquincentennial Commission. He leaves behind a wife with two daughters.

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