Agenda

9:00 a.m.  
**Breakfast and Introduction**  
*Mark A. Puente*, Director of Diversity and Leadership Programs  
Association of Research Libraries

9:40 a.m.  
**Archival Profession: Now and in the Future**  
Speakers will address their career paths to becoming successful archives/library professionals. In discussing their current job responsibilities, they will cover what skills were necessary to attain their positions and offer strategies for developing those skills. They will also reflect on how their roles represent the professional landscape now and in the future, and highlight current issues and challenges in the profession from their vantage point.

**Chair:** *Cheryl Beredo*, Curator of Manuscripts, Archives and Rare Books, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture at the New York Public Library

**Panelists:**  
*Barrye Brown*, Processing Archivist in the Manuscripts, Archives, and Rare Books Division, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture at the New York Public Library  
*Elisabeth Kaplan*, Associate Dean, George Washington University

10:40 a.m.  
**Break**

11:00 a.m.  
**Leadership and Diversity**  
This session will address issues of leadership and diversity within the archival profession. Panelists will share their experiences as teachers, practitioners, and leaders working on and through diversity issues in their careers. It will encourage discussion of what it takes to be a leader in this profession and meaningful ways to effect change in the workplace.

**Chair:** *Stacie Williams*, Director, Center for Digital Scholarship, University of Chicago

**Panelists:**  
*Maria Estorino*, Associate University Librarian for Special Collections and...
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Director of Wilson Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Holly Smith,** College Archivist, Spelman College

12:00 p.m.

**Lunch**

**Nancy Beaumont,** Executive Director, SAA

**Meredith Evans,** Vice President/President-Elect, SAA
Director, Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum, National Archives and Records Administration

**Jasmine Jones,** Nominating Committee, SAA
Head of Processing for Library Special Collections, University of California, Los Angeles

**Tanya Zanish-Belcher,** President, SAA
Director of Special Collections & Archives and, University Archivist, Wake Forest University

1:40 p.m.

**Professional Involvement**

Panelists in this session will speak to the benefits of membership and involvement in the Society of American Archivists and regional archival associations, reflecting on the intersections between their own professional journeys and their experiences participating in the greater archival profession.

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**Panelists:**

**Aaisha Haykal,** Manager of Archival Services, Avery Research Center for African American History and Culture, College of Charleston

**Geof Huth,** Chief Records Officer and Chief Law Librarian, New York State Unified Court System

2:40 p.m.

**Break**

3:00 p.m.

**Boom! You’re Hired! Interview Tips for the Fledgling Archivist**

In this interactive mock-interview session, participants will be given the opportunity to answer real-life professional interview questions and will receive feedback on their responses by a distinguished panel of professional archivists. Fellows will participate in teams that will be rounded out by other archives and special collections professionals. The session will be followed by one-on-one guidance in strategies for composing effective cover letters, as well as tips on how to build an effective résumé/CV.
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**Panelists:**
*Micha Broadnax*, Reference and Digital Projects Archivist, Mount Holyoke College

*Josue Hurtado*, Coordinator of Public Services & Outreach, Special Collections Research Center, Temple University

*Erin Lawrimore*, University Archivist, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

6:30 p.m.

**Dinner at District Kitchen**
2606 Connecticut Avenue NW
With Mosaic Advisory Group and Selection Committee members.