



Founder's Blog

Saturday the 18th of February our online discussion will be a collective response to this question: “Where on the Internet can African Americans find good sources of information about 20th Century Black history? I realize that this is an unreasonably broad topic, but I am asking for your suggestions based upon what you found informative and engaging. I am especially interested in documentaries. You are invited to contribute suggestions of videos, or other digital media that you consider useful for people of all ages. As we prepare for the discussion, I will compile a list, including suggestions that I receive no later than Tuesday 14 February. *Please respond to pquickhall@AAERO.org.* The following form may be used to submit information:

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In April (*not April Fools' Day*) we will share a compiled list with our community. This will be a work-in-progress, one that we intend to expand and improve in subsequent editions. Please keep in mind that our primary audience is people of African ancestry. Consider the diversity within our community, and our desire to share our work with others (without being controlled by the “white gaze.”)

When we meet February 18th our focus on 20th Century Black history will consider the following questions:

1. What can we do to contribute to the documentation of contemporary events that could someday be considered Black history?
2. What skills and resources do we need in order to access items that document 20th Century Black history?
3. Who are the experts among us?
4. The Association for the Study of African American Life and History and the National Museum of African American History and Culture are well-established sources of information. PBS and NPR are also noteworthy sources. What are some of the less well-known sources of documentaries?
5. What categories (for example, sports, music, medicine, geographic areas) are most useful for organizing a list of the kind we are creating?.