OREGON BLACK PIONEERS

TRAVELING EXHIBITS

Preserving and Presenting the History of Black Oregonians

As Oregon's only historical society dedicated to preserving and presenting the experiences of Black Oregonians statewide, we're proud to offer exhibits that can be rented and displayed throughout the state.

Rent one of our unique exhibits to showcase in your community!

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Racing to Change: Oregon's Civil Rights Years

Racing to Change details the Civil Rights Movement in Oregon during the 1960s and 1970s, a time of cultural and social upheaval, conflict, and change.

The exhibit explores how racist attitudes, policies of exclusion, and the destruction of Black-owned neighborhoods shaped Oregon, and how the Black community worked to overcome these obstacles.

- Dimensions:
  7' tall x 2.5' wide
- Features 8 free standing vinyl banners on metal bases
- Banners retract to fit into a carrying cases that weigh approx. 8 lbs

A CHANGE IS GONNA COME

In the 1950s, Oregon's Black population was scattered around the state. With the passage of a public accommodations law and a fair housing law, job and housing opportunities opened for Black Oregonians. Despite these legal victories, however, repression, discrimination, and racist attitudes were still built into the culture. In many all-white Portland neighborhoods, segregation was maintained by discriminatory laws, intimidation, and violence.

The Black Pioneers

The Black Pioneers shares the stories of the earliest Black settlers in Oregon, both free and enslaved.

This exhibit reveals the stories of early Black pioneers who challenged Oregon's discriminatory laws and laid the foundation for Oregon's future Black communities.

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Letitia Carson: An Enduring Spirit of Hope and Freedom

Letitia Carson was a Black Oregon homesteader, farmer and matriarch living in the time of Oregon's exclusion laws.

This exhibit tells the story of Letitia's transition from enslaved woman to landowner, and how her persistence and grit carved pathways for Black and Indigenous Oregonians today.

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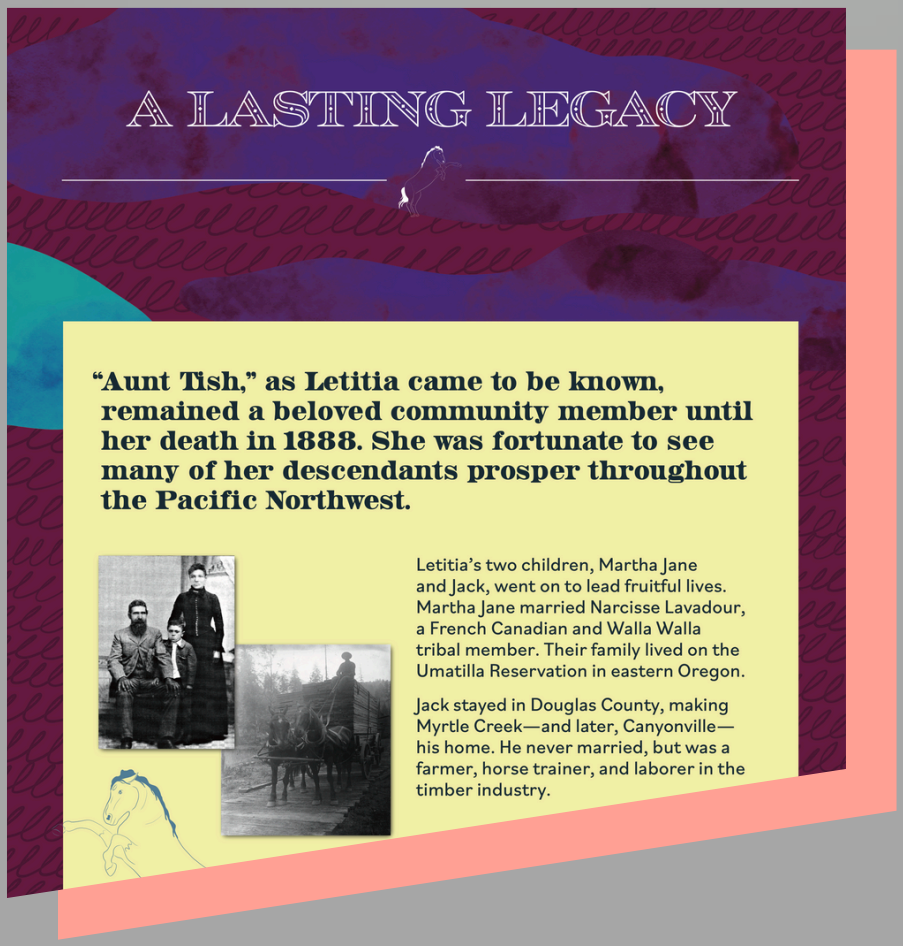
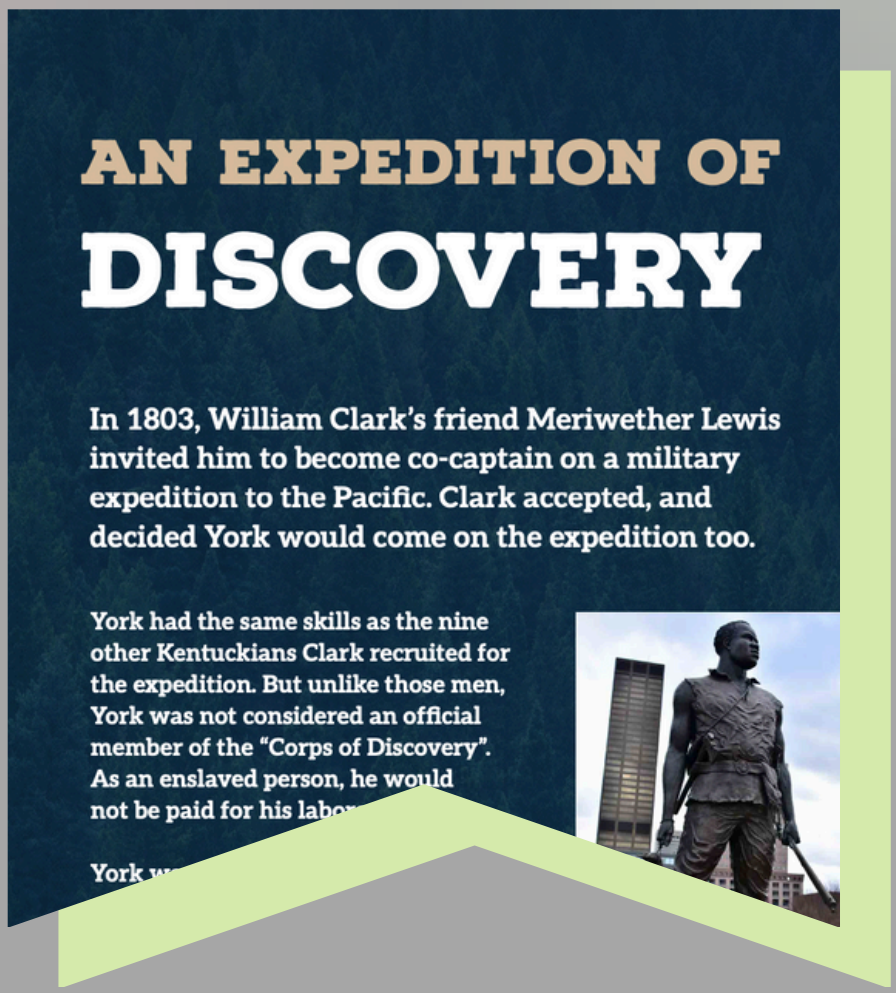


A Man Called York

York was an enslaved man who took part in the Lewis and Clark Expedition from 1803-1806.

This exhibit explores the life and experiences of York, revealing his life beyond the expedition and recognizing his place within national African American history.



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PRICING PER EXHIBIT

- 1 month: $1000 per month
- 2 months: $800 per month
- 3 months: $700 per month
- 4 months or more: $500 per month

Plus mileage reimbursement and hotel accommodations as needed.

HOW TO BOOK

To book an exhibit, submit your information using the Hire Our Team form on our website, or email us at hello@oregonblackpioneers.org. Our team will reach out to set it up!