



*Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society  
Hampton Roads Chapter  
Spring Seminar*

*Saturday, 13 April 2019, 9:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.*

*Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.*

*New Grace Church, 128 Deal Drive  
Newport News, VA 23608*

**Shannon Christmas: "Identity By Descent: Using DNA to Extend The African American Family Tree"**

Shannon Christmas is a nationally recognized expert in the field of genetic genealogy, who specializes in genetic, Colonial American, and African-American genealogy in Virginia and the Carolinas. He serves as a 23andMe Ancestry Ambassador, as administrator of The Captain Thomas Graves of Jamestown Autosomal DNA Project, and as a co-administrator of The Hemings-Jefferson-Wayles-Eppes Autosomal DNA Project. Shannon uses autosomal DNA to verify and extend pedigrees, assess the veracity of oral history, and reconstruct ancestral genomes. He serves on the faculty of The Midwest African American Genealogical Institute (MAAGI). Shannon has a Bachelor of Arts in Government from Harvard University and a Master's in City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**Calvin Pearson: "Project 1619"**

Calvin Pearson, a native of Hampton, Virginia, is Founder and President of Project 1619 Inc., a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote the arrival of the first documented Africans in America to be brought ashore on English-occupied territory at Point Comfort - today's Fort Monroe National Monument, Hampton, Virginia. Mr. Pearson is also Chair of the National Juneteenth Grassroots Enslavement Legacy Commission. He attended Hampton University and the University of the District of Columbia and has a degree in Architectural Engineering Technology. He has spent the majority of his career in Public Administration.

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**2019 Seminar Registration Form** (Detach registration section and include with check)

Checks Payable to: AAHGS-Hampton Roads (\$35 fee for returned checks)

Send to: AAHGS Seminar Committee, PO Box 2448, Newport News, VA 23609-2448

Online Registration at [aahgshr.blogspot](http://aahgshr.blogspot) via PayPal link. For online payments, include full name, email, telephone number, and meal choice in the memo section.

For further information: Call 757.593.7060, or email [AAHGSHR@gmail.com](mailto:AAHGSHR@gmail.com) or [aahgshr.blogspot.com](http://aahgshr.blogspot.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**Registration with box lunch is \$30 per person: Circle meal choice: Veggie Wrap Beef Ham Turkey** (Box lunch includes a sandwich or veggie wrap sided with chips, cookie, and a drink.)

**Registration without box lunch \$25** Amount included: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Box lunch is only available for registrations received by April 8th**