

## ***“The Other Black Northwest: Beyond Portland and Seattle”***

“The Other Black Northwest: Beyond Portland and Seattle” introduces students and the general public to a broader understanding of African American history in the Pacific Northwest. As Quintard Taylor points out, the vast majority of contemporary African Americans in this region reside in Portland or Seattle and their suburbs. Yet African American history in the Northwest hardly begins or ends with those urban hubs. In this series of talks, Dr. Taylor explores the “other” black Northwest, looking specifically at communities such as Vancouver and Pasco in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. He examines the growth of black communities during World War II in these communities, as well as the unique civil rights experience of Spokane. This illustrated lecture reminds all that African American history in the Pacific Northwest is not confined to its largest cities.

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Center for Columbia River History Featured Resources on “The Other Black Northwest,” <http://www.ccrh.org/resources.php>. Includes a bibliography of African Americans in Oregon and oral histories from the Vancouver African American History Project.

Columbia Basin Ethnic Archives, <http://www.vancouver.wsu.edu/crbeha/>

## ***About Quintard Taylor, Jr.***

Dr. Quintard Taylor, Jr., originally from Brownsville, Tennessee, received his B.A. from St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina, and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Taylor has more than thirty years of teaching experience in African American history and specifically African Americans in the American West. He has authored two books, ***In Search of The Racial Frontier: African Americans in the American West, 1528-1990*** and ***The Forging of A Black Community: Seattle's Central District from 1870 through the Civil Rights Era***. He has also edited two anthologies, ***Seeking El Dorado: African Americans in California*** and ***African American Women Confront the West, 1600-2000*** and has written over fifty articles on western African American history, 20th Century African American history, African and Afro-Brazilian history.

Dr. Taylor's current projects include ***Urban Archipelago: a 20th Century History of the African American Urban West*** for the University of Arizona Press and ***From Timbuktu to Katrina***, a two volume reader in 19th and 20th Century African American history, recently published by Wadsworth. He is co-author of the forthcoming ***Dr. Sam: The Autobiography of Dr. Samuel Kelly, Soldier, Educator and Advocate***.

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