



STATEN ISLAND MUSEUM



Transcriber Resources

About the Project

In February 2022 the Staten Island Museum will begin an online transcription project in collaboration with the **Staten Island Chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society**, and **Frederick Douglass Memorial Park**. The project is one aspect of the Access, Collaboration, and Equity in Genealogy Initiative (ACEGen), which will digitize archival records from the collections of the Staten Island Museum and Frederick Douglass Memorial Park that are relevant to genealogical research and make them accessible to the public online. The initiative will focus on collections about communities that have been underrepresented in the historical record.

Transcribers are welcome to join the project at any time, by following these steps:

Step 1: Sign up for a free account with **From the Page**, the transcription software that hosts the project: https://fromthepage.com/users/sign_up.

Step 2: Watch Instructional Videos:

An Introduction to Our Project: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FhsjyGxGX3A>

How to Use from the Page: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cO2j1Xuasbc>

Step 3: Go to the [Staten Island Museum's Page](#) on From the Page to find the documents to be transcribed and choose a set of records that interests you from the three available sets: the Frederick Douglass Memorial Park Permanent Record Books, the Dickenson Census Indices, and the Frederick Douglass Memorial Park Ledger Books.

The screenshot shows the profile page for the Staten Island Museum on the From the Page platform. The profile includes a logo, a bio, and three project listings. The bio states: "Founded in 1881 and celebrating its 140th year, the Staten Island Museum engages visitors with interdisciplinary exhibitions, public programs, and educational activities for all ages. It is the mission of the Staten Island Museum to spark curiosity and generate meaningful shared experiences through natural science, art, and history to deepen understanding of our environment, ourselves, and each other." The three project listings are: 1) "Frederick Douglass Memorial Park Permanent Record Books" with a description: "Frederick Douglass Memorial Park is an African American Cemetery in Staten Island, NY. It was founded in 1935 in response to the practice of racial segregation in cemeteries and is still an active cemetery today. The cemetery's permanent record books are a chronological listing of burials. They..."; 2) "Dickenson Census Indices: Occupations of Afro-American Families on Staten Island, 1840 - 1875" with a description: "In 1981, Genealogist and Historian Richard B. Dickenson published Census Occupations of Afro-American Families on Staten Island, 1840-1875. In the course of his research, Dickenson compiled these indices with information from the 1855, 1860, 1865, and 1870 State and Federal Censuses. One index is..."; 3) "Frederick Douglass Memorial Park Ledger Books" with a description: "Frederick Douglass Memorial Park is an African American Cemetery in Staten Island, NY. It was founded in 1935 in response to the practice of racial segregation in cemeteries and is still an active cemetery today. Frederick Douglass Memorial Park's ledger books provide a day-to-day accounting from...". Each listing has a "Start Transcribing" button. A "Recent Activity" section on the right shows transcription progress for these projects.

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