

Word, Shout, Song: Lorenzo Dow Turner Connecting Communities through Language exhibition records

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Collection Overview

Repository: Anacostia Community Museum Archives

Title: Word, Shout, Song: Lorenzo Dow Turner Connecting Communities through

Language exhibition records

Date: 2010

Identifier: ACMA.03-056

Creator: Anacostia Community Museum

Extent: 2.7 Linear feet (3 boxes)

Language: English .

Summary: An exhibition documenting the historical journey made by people from Africa

to the Americas, along with their language and music. In the 1930s, Lorenzo Dow Turner discovered that the Gullah people of Georgia and South Carolina retained parts of the culture and language of their West African enslaved ancestors. Turner's research produced a living treasury of previously

unknown traditions, songs, and folkways that also uncovered and illuminated

the connections with West African and Afro-Brazilian communities.

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Restrictions on Access

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Scope and Contents

These records document the research, execution, and promotion of the exhibition and symposium associated with the exhibit. Materials include research files, catalogues, family and visitor guides, symposium programs, posters and docent materials.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

African languages -- Study and teaching -- United States

Linguistics -- Research -- United States Museum exhibits Research Sea Islands Creole dialect

Types of Materials:

Brochures

Names:

Anacostia Community Museum Turner, Lorenzo Dow, 1890-1972

Places:

Georgia -- Languages South Carolina -- Languages

Container Listing

ACMA AV005132: Word, Shout, Song: Exhibition Tour by Alcione Amos, 2011

2 Video recordings (MiniDV)

002049 002244

Creator: Anacostia Community Museum

Technical: 002049 002244

Language: English.

Notes: ACMA AV005133

Title created by ACM staff based on transcription from physical asset

and title of exhibition.

Alcione Amos led tour of the exhibition 'Word, Shout, Song: Lorenzo

Dow Turner Connecting Communities through Language.'

Exhibition tour. Related to exhibition 'Word, Shout, Song: Lorenzo Dow Turner Connecting Communities through Language.' AV005132:

dated 20110721. AV005133: dated 20110722.

Word, Shout, Song: Lorenzo Dow Turner Connecting Communities through Language documented the historical journey made by people from Africa to the Americas, along with their language and music. In the 1930s, Lorenzo Dow Turner discovered that the Gullah people of Georgia and South Carolina retained parts of the culture and language of their West African enslaved ancestors. Turner's research produced a living treasury of previously unknown traditions, songs, and folkways that also uncovered and illuminated the connections with West African and Afro-Brazilian communities. The exhibition was held at the Anacostia Community Museum from August 9, 2010 - July 24, 2011. It included rare photographs, recordings, and artifacts collected by Turner from those Gullah communities in the United

States, Brazil, and West Africa.

Names: Turner, Lorenzo Dow, 1890-1972

Anacostia Community Museum

Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Topic: African Americans

Communities

Gullahs

African languages African diaspora Museum exhibits

Place: Anacostia (Washington, D.C.)

Washington (D.C.)

United States

Genre/Form: Video recordings