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Liberia Basement to Attic Tours

City of Manassas, VA . . . Learn more about the diverse people who inhabited historic Liberia Plantation in Manassas during a special Black History Month presentation **Basement to Attic Tours** Feb. 7 and 21 at 11 a.m. On the eve of the Civil War, Liberia was one of the largest and most successful plantations in Prince William County. The tour offers visitors a rare glimpse into the 1825 plantation home, currently under restoration, and a look at the lives of its slave population.

The grand old house, a part of the Manassas Museum System, served as headquarters for both Confederate and Union officers during the Civil War and was visited by President Abraham Lincoln. Tickets for the tour are \$15 and must be purchased in advance by visiting www.manassasmuseum.org or by calling 703-257-8453.

Also at the Museum in February, there is Pre-K Tuesday, Understanding History and a free book talk by Author Gene Schmiel.

On Feb. 10 at 10 a.m. **Pre-K Tuesday** will be held at the Manassas Museum. Children ages three to five years old with their caregivers can enjoy stories, crafts, songs and more. February's theme is Railroads. For more information, visit www.manassasmuseum.org or call 703-368-1873.

On Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to noon high school students are invited to learn more about Virginia history to help boost their academic record at **Understanding History** at the Manassas Museum. This session covers events from 1801 to 1900. Register at www.manassasmuseum.org or call 703-368-1873.

On Feb. 22 at 2p.m. join the Manassas Museum for a free book talk with Author Gene Schmiel on his book *Citizen-General: Jacob Dolson Cox and the Civil War Era*. Schmiel's new book explores Cox, one of those Union soldiers who rose to the challenge in a conflict where "political generals" often proved less than competent. During his school days at Oberlin College, no one could have predicted that the intellectual, reserved, and bookish Cox possessed what he called in his writings the "military aptitude" to lead men effectively in war.

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