

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Andrew P. Jackson

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Jackson, Andrew P.
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson,
Dates:	April 26, 2018
Bulk Dates:	2018
Physical Description:	6 uncompressed MOV digital video files (2:50:22).
Abstract:	Librarian Andrew P. Jackson (1947 -) was the executive director of the Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center from 1980 to 2016. He also served as president of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association from 2004 to 2006. Jackson was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on April 26, 2018, in Queens, New York. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2018_080
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Librarian Andrew P. Jackson was born on January 28, 1947 in Brooklyn, New York to Bessie Lindsey Jackson and Walter Luther Jackson, Sr. Jackson graduated from Forest Hills High School in the East Elmhurst neighborhood of Queens, New York, and joined the U.S. Air Force in 1964. After receiving the bronze star for his service with the 4th Air Commando Squadron in Vietnam, Jackson was honorably discharged in 1968. He then completed several semesters at Bernard M. Baruch College in Manhattan, before working for the New York City Human Resources Administration and the Agency for Child Development. Jackson went on to complete his B.S. degree in business administration at York College (CUNY) in 1990, and his M.L.S. degree from Queens College in 1996. He also earned his public librarian's professional certificate from the University of the State of New York Education Department in 1996.

In 1976, Jackson moved to California, where he worked as a car salesman. He later returned to Queens, where he was hired at the Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center. In 1980, he was promoted to executive director of the center. Under his leadership, the Langston Hughes Library established a partnership with the Queens Public Library in 1986. In 2001, Jackson became an adjunct professor at his alma mater, York College (CUNY). He was appointed vice president of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA) in 2002, serving as president of the Black Caucus from 2004 to 2006. Jackson also worked as a training, operations, and development consultant for the Roosevelt Public Library System; and in 2007, he became an adjunct professor at Queens College. Jackson authored the book *Queens Notes: Facts About the Forgotten Borough of Queens, New York*, and co-edited *The Black Librarian in America: Issues and Challenges of the 21st Century*. In 2016, Jackson retired from his position as executive director at the Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center.

Jackson received numerous awards and accolades, including the Governor's Award for African Americans of Distinction in 1994, the Literacy Advocacy Award from the Black Caucus of the American Library Association in 1999 and a Professional Achievement Award from the BCALA in 2007. From 1997 to 2010, Jackson served on the

executive board of the BCALA as well as on the board of directors for Queens Public Television and the Renaissance Charter School in Jackson Heights.

Andrew P. Jackson was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on April 26, 2018.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Andrew P. Jackson was conducted by Harriette Cole on April 26, 2018, in Queens, New York, and was recorded on 6 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Librarian Andrew P. Jackson (1947 -) was the executive director of the Langston Hughes Community Library and Cultural Center from 1980 to 2016. He also served as president of the Black Caucus of the American Library Association from 2004 to 2006.

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Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Jackson, Andrew P.

Cole, Harriette (Interviewer)

Stearns, Scott (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Jackson, Andrew P.--Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Librarian

HistoryMakers® Category:

CivicMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

Preferred Citation

The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, April 26, 2018. The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection, 1900 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_001, TRT: 1:29:53 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_002, TRT:
2:29:56 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_003, TRT:
3:28:23 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_004, TRT:
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Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_005, TRT:
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Video Oral History Interview with Andrew P. Jackson, Section A2018_080_001_006, TRT:
6:24:41 ?