# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Andrea Frazier

### Overview of the Collection

**Repository:** The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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**Creator:** Frazier, Andrea, 1956-

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier,

**Dates:** June 20, 2019

Bulk Dates: 2019

**Physical Description:** 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:06:28).

**Abstract:** Civic leader Andrea Frazier (1956-) co-founded Cornerstone Christian Academy in

Philadelphia in 1988 and launched an interior design firm called Frazier Designs in 1991. Frazier was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on June 20, 2019, in New York, New

York. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.

**Identification:** A2019 042

**Language:** The interview and records are in English.

## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Civic leader Andrea Frazier was born on September 21, 1956, in Harlem, New York to Wilhelmina Young and James Wilkerson. Frazier attended John H. Finley Elementary School and Manhattanville Junior High School before graduating from Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts in 1974, where she participated in the youth symphony orchestra. She then attended Tufts University and graduated from there in 1978 with her B.A. degree in political science with a concentration in international studies. Frazier subsequently received her M.A. degree from The City University of New York in 1980.

In 1978, Frazier was hired as a researcher at the Ralph Bunche Institute before attending graduate school. After graduation, Frazier briefly worked in the human resources department at the Bronx Lebanon Hospital recruiting and hiring various personnel. She was subsequently employed at New York University School of Law from 1981 to 1985, first as a coordinator of recruitment, pairing students with various law firms and offices, before being promoted to placement director in 1983. In 1986, Frazier was briefly employed with the law firm of Fox Rothschild as a recruitment administrator for new hires, and was later hired by Cigna Insurance to work as a program manager. In 1988, she and her husband, Kenneth Frazier, partnered with Jim Sweet to found the Cornerstone Christian Academy in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where she also served on the board of directors. In 1991, Frazier started her own interior design firm called "Frazier Design," where she specialized in custom made pieces for local historical houses, including the home of Betsy Ross.

In 2012, Frazier joined the board of directors of the Vickie and Jack Farber Institute for Neuroscience at Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and, the following year, she joined the board of directors of the American Heart Association to bring awareness to prevalent heart conditions in women. Frazier has also served on the advisory board for the Ellis Marsalis Center for Music located in the Musician's Village in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Frazier and her husband have two children, Lauren and James, and reside in Newton, Pennsylvania.

Andrea Frazier was interviewed by *The History Makers* on June 20, 2019.

## **Scope and Content**

This life oral history interview with Andrea Frazier was conducted by Julieanna L. Richardson on June 20, 2019, in New York, New York, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Civic leader Andrea Frazier (1956-) co-founded Cornerstone Christian Academy in Philadelphia in 1988 and launched an interior design firm called Frazier Designs in 1991.

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#### **Restrictions on Access**

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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:

Frazier, Andrea, 1956-

Richardson, Julieanna L. (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

#### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Frazier, Andrea, 1956---Interviews

## **Organizations:**

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

## **Occupations:**

Civic Leader

## **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 Andrea Frazier, June 20, 2019. 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 Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_001, TRT: 1:28:57? Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_002, TRT: 2:31:48? Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_003, TRT: 3:31:17?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_004, TRT: 4:31:36?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_005, TRT: 5:31:25?

Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_006, TRT: 6:33:03? Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_007, TRT: 7:31:16? Video Oral History Interview with Andrea Frazier, Section A2019\_042\_001\_008, TRT: 8:27:06?