

Book Launch | Justice for Ourselves: Black Virginians Claim Their Freedom After Slavery

Join us to celebrate the publication of a new book from Library of Virginia historians and editors John G. Deal, Marianne E. Julienne and Brent Tarter. *Justice for Ourselves: Black Virginians Claim Their Freedom After Slavery* tells the story of remarkable men and women in the post–Civil War decades who persevered in the face of withering barriers to create a new world for themselves and subsequent generations.

The authors will be joined in a conversation with Congresswoman Jennifer McClellan and National Park Service supervisory park ranger Ajena Cason Rogers, who wrote the foreword and afterword, respectively. The event kicks off with a reception at 6 p.m., followed by the talk at 6:30 p.m. and a book signing at 7:30 p.m.

This is a free event. Registration is required. Seating in the Lecture Hall is available on a first come, first served basis. Limited free parking is available in the deck underneath the Library building. For more information, contact Anne McCreery at anne.mccreery@lva.virginia.gov or 804.692.3568.

Calendar:

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Date:

Thursday, June 20, 2024

Time:

6:00pm - 8:00pm

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Eastern Time - US & Canada (change)

Location:

Lecture Hall, Lobby, Prefunction Hall

Audience:

Civic Engagement

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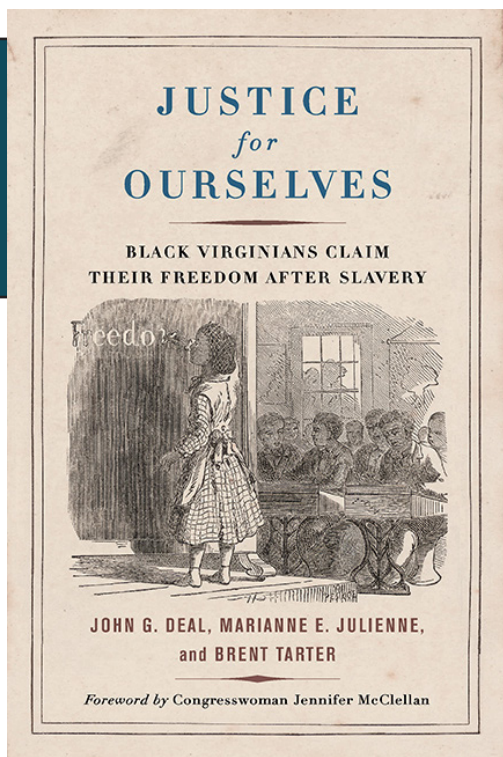
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Justice for Ourselves tells the stories of remarkable Black men and women in post-Civil War Virginia who persevered in the face of overwhelming barriers to seek their freedom and create a new world for themselves and future generations. Drawing on the life stories of individuals from all regions of the state—political leaders, teachers, ministers, journalists, and entrepreneurs—*Justice for Ourselves* recounts their quests to attain full American citizenship and economic independence before the onset of Jim Crow repression. Centering Black voices, this book includes tales of opportunities seized and opportunities lost and will reshape the narrative of Black history and the

history of Virginia in the second half of the nineteenth century.

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