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GENEALOGY PLUS

AMES, IOWA – Ames Public Library and the Story County Genealogical Society present the 2022 Genealogy PLUS series with a monthly hourlong presentation by an expert followed by a study session.

On Wednesday, September 21, Allie Shambaugh-Miller will present "Underground Railroad in Iowa" in the Library Auditorium and via Zoom at 10am.

In this presentation, you will learn about the flight of enslaved African Americans from Missouri and other slave states into abolitionist towns in southern lowa. From here, many freedom seekers traveled north to free states and Canada, although some settled in lowa cities such as Des Moines for their entire lives.

The stories of freedom seekers and conductors buried in Woodland Cemetery in Des Moines will further exemplify the role of central lowa in the Underground Railroad. Find parking information and more details at www.storygenes.com.

To receive a Zoom link for the event, please register on the Library's event calendar at www.amespubliclibrary.org/events or call the Library at (515) 236-5646 ext. 4.

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