



## **Banneker-Douglass-Tubman Museum Fall 2025 Walter B. Hill Fellowship**

The Banneker-Douglass-Tubman Museum—Maryland’s official museum of African American history and culture, located in historic Annapolis—is pleased to announce the **Fall 2025 Walter B. Hill Fellowship**. We invite applications from students and emerging professionals seeking hands-on experience in museum collections and archives, with a focus on African American heritage.

This fellowship supports the Museum’s mission to preserve Maryland’s African American legacy through educational programming, fine art and historical exhibitions, and the stewardship of archival collections. The selected fellow will assist with processing the newly acquired papers and archival materials of Senator Verda Freeman Welcome, a trailblazing legislator and civil rights advocate.

### **About the Fellowship**

Named in honor of **Dr. Walter B. Hill**—archivist, historian, and former member of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture—this fellowship is designed to promote research on African American history in Maryland and encourage the participation of African Americans in the archival and cultural heritage professions.

### **Fellowship Dates & Schedule**

- **Term:** September to November 2025
- **Time Commitment:** 10–20 hours per week, totaling approximately 200 hours
- **Schedule:** Weekdays between 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM; occasional evenings or Saturdays may be required for special events or meetings

### **Fellowship Responsibilities**

Under the supervision of the **Verda Welcome Processing Archivist** and the **Curator of Collections and Exhibitions**, the fellow will contribute to ongoing archival and collections management tasks related to the Verda Freeman Welcome Papers, including:

- Assisting with the boxing and relocation of archival materials to off-site storage facilities
- Supporting the initial survey and assessment of the collection’s size, condition, and contents
- Assisting in the preparation of reports and documentation on collection findings
- Contributing to preliminary processing of archival materials, if time permits

**Please Note:** The collection is currently housed in a vacated row home in Baltimore City that does not have electricity or running water. The ability and willingness to work in this environment is a requirement of the position.



## Qualifications

Applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled in or recently graduated from an accredited college or university
- Be pursuing or have completed a degree in **archival science, museum studies, art history, history**, or a related field
- Demonstrate familiarity with museum or archival standards and best practices
- Be capable of working both independently and collaboratively as part of a team
- Exhibit a strong interest in African American history and cultural preservation
- Ability to lift 50lbs

## Compensation

The selected fellow will receive a **\$3,000 stipend** for 200 hours of work.

The museum is open to working with institutions to facilitate **academic credit** or **service learning hours**. Applicants are responsible for arranging credit with their respective colleges or universities.

## How to Apply

To apply, please send the following materials to **[martina.dodd@maryland.gov](mailto:martina.dodd@maryland.gov)**:

- A current résumé
- A cover letter detailing your interest in the fellowship and how it aligns with your academic and/or career goals

**Application Deadline:** August 22, 2025

## Contact Information

For questions, contact:

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