

MEET DOROTHY SPRUILL REDFORD

Saturday **OCTOBER 16**

AT&T Foundation Multipurpose Room

(on the Museum's lower level)

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

FREE

meet
**DOROTHY
SPRUILL REDFORD**



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Join accomplished writer and genealogist **Dorothy Spruill Redford**, retired curator of Somerset Place North Plantation State Historic Site and descendant of slaves on Somerset Place.

Dorothy Spruill Redford was born in Columbia, North Carolina. She spent her early years in Queens, New York, and received her college training at Queens College. Inspired by Alex Haley's *Roots*, by 1986, Redford had researched for nearly ten years to connect her life with those of her enslaved ancestors held on Somerset Place plantation in Creswell, North Carolina. Her research culminated in the first Somerset Homecoming, a celebration of African American culture and heritage attended by 3000 descendants of the enslaved community and others connected to the former plantation. The account of her family history, including ancestors taken to Marengo County, Alabama in 1843, and the homecoming entitled *Somerset Homecoming: Recovering a Lost Heritage* is available through the University of North Carolina Press.

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