

Black History Month

Directions: Select and research a historical black individual who contributed to the horticulture industry.

Biography Report Outline

1. Personal History

Some things you can include:

- Person's Name
- Birthday
- Where they were born and died (if deceased)
- A description of his/her family
- A description of his/her childhood



2. Contributions to Horticulture

Some things you can include:

- Where did he/she go to school?
- What started their career?
- What is he/she known for? / What did they do to become famous?
- What are his/her accomplishments?
- Did they win any awards?
- How did the horticulture industry change because of them?

3. Tell me more

Some things you can include:

- Interesting facts about this person
- Why did you pick this individual?
- How is America or the world different because they lived?
- What makes this person someone to look up to?
- Include a quote about or from this person.

Presentation

You have creative freedom for how you would like to present your research

- Research Paper
- PowerPoint
- Flier
- Brochure
- The choice is yours

Meet the Individuals



George Washington Carver

Occupation: Botanist

Teasers:

- George Washington Carver was born into slavery in Missouri.
- Carver was the first African American to earn a bachelor's degree.

Malcolm Stubblefield

Occupation: Gardener and Horticulturist

Teasers:

- An Iowa native
- Worked at the New York Botanical Garden



Anne Spencer

Occupation: poet, civil rights activist and gardener

Teasers:

- Her home and garden now make up the Anne Spencer House and Garden Museum.
- Her poetry often featured verses connecting to her own garden and nature.



Meet the Individuals

Marie Clark Taylor

Occupation: botanist

Teasers:

- The first woman of any race to receive a scientific doctorate from Fordham University
- She was a high school teacher.



Edmond Albius

Occupation: Plant Breeder

Teasers:

- We wouldn't be able to enjoy vanilla today without him.
- When he was 12 years old, he was enslaved on a plantation in Reunion, an island in the Indian Ocean.



Find your own outstanding individual who made a contribution to the horticulture industry

