

PANEL DISCUSSION AND PERFORMANCE

Auburn Avenue Research Library on African American Culture and History
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STOP THE VIOLENCE: REMEMBERING THE EXECUTION OF LENA MAE BAKER

"What I done, I did in self-defense, or I would have
been killed myself."

Lena Baker



On March 5th, 1945 Georgia's "O Sparky" electric chair claimed Lena Baker



For decades, Lena Baker was buried in an unmarked grave behind Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, outside of Cuthbert, GA. A simple headstone now designates her final resting place.



In celebration of **Women's History Month**, and in recognition of the 65th anniversary of the execution of **Lena Mae Baker** by the state of Georgia, the **Auburn Avenue Research Library** will host **Stop the Violence: Remembering the Execution of Lena Mae Baker**.

This event will focus on the historical legacy of Lena Mae Baker's execution and is presented in collaboration with the **National Black Herstory Task Force**.

Panelists include:

Dr. Josephine Bradley, Chair, Department of African-American/Africana Women's Studies at Clark Atlanta University

Dr. Eugene Walker, DeKalb County Board of Education Representative,

Dr. Janice Liddell, Professor, Department of English at Clark Atlanta University

Kathryn Anderson Weaver, Media Specialist with the Atlanta Public Schools

Ms. Latonya S. Peterson: Consultant, writer and member of the National Black Herstory Task Force, Inc

Kathryn Anderson Weaver will perform an excerpt from "Who Will Sing For Lena"

Saturday, March 06, 2010 • 5:00 p.m.

Heritage Education Center Auditorium • 4th Floor

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