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PACSCL RESEARCH RESOURCES FOR NATIONAL HISTORY DAY PHILLY

PACSCL encourages your students to draw on the internationally-renowned resources of our 38 member libraries to discover important stories of ***Triumph and Tragedy*** in Philadelphia collections, and to locate primary sources and compelling visuals for their projects.

Encourage your students to visit one or more of our libraries — ***our member librarians and archivists want them to visit*** and want to help them make their projects the best they can be. Tell them not to be afraid to call or email to set up a research appointment.



EXPLORE OUR ARCHIVAL COLLECTIONS

The Philadelphia Area Archival Research Portal offers information on 5,000 research collections from 150 institutions. Encourage your students to search and browse listings to find collections of primary sources, including photographs and other images, related to their topics. <http://findingaids.pacscl.org/>



LEARN ABOUT WOMEN ACTIVISTS

Even before women fought for and won the right to vote, they were on the front lines of the anti-slavery movement, supporting the needs of disadvantaged groups, demanding their place in educational institutions and workplaces -- achieving goals and suffering setbacks. Your students can find primary sources, exhibits, and essays here: <http://inherownright.org/> . (Project info here: <http://herownright.pacscl.org/>)



EXAMINE 300-PLUS YEARS OF RESISTANCE

Resistance is in our DNA, beginning with Europeans resisting the British monarchy and indigenous peoples resisting European colonization. Your students can explore histories of resistance dating from settlement to Occupy Philadelphia. Be sure to look at the project blog for stories of past resistance – and have your students use the “get involved” link to share their opinions about current-day resistance efforts and resistance heroes: <http://resistance.pacscl.org/>

DISCOVER MORE RESOURCES

Visit the PACSCL website and our member library sites – see the links we’ve gathered on our page of research resources for National History Day students: <http://pacscl.org/phillyresearch-net-nhdphilly/>