Bring the History of the Civil Rights Movement to Life for Your Students!

Announcing

The Rev. T. J. Jemison and Rev. James L. Stovall Oral History Teacher Fellowship Program

Commemorating

The 1953 Baton Rouge Bus Boycott 50th Anniversary

* Up to 15 Jemison-Stovall Fellows will be selected for this honor.

* Fellows will receive a $1,000 honorarium, a video camera, $100 materials stipend, and professional training to implement an oral history project at their school.

* Applicants must be teachers, grades 7-12, in East Baton Rouge Parish public, private and parochial schools, teaching the subjects of English Language Arts, History, Social Studies, and the Performing and Visual Arts.


In June 2003, Baton Rouge will host a special academic conference commemorating the 50th anniversary of the 1953 Baton Rouge bus boycott. Often overlooked in accounts of the civil rights struggle, the boycott is now recognized by scholars as an important prelude to the modern civil rights movement. To expand student and public understanding of the boycott, the conference is sponsoring the Rev. T. J. Jemison and Rev. James L. Stovall Oral History Teacher Fellowship Program to promote innovative oral history programs that will both enhance the teaching of Louisiana history and inspire a deeper understanding of the moral and ethical lessons embodied in the struggle against racial segregation and discrimination. Jemison-Stovall Fellows will organize projects at their schools in which students will conduct videotaped oral history interviews with community members who were active participants or witnesses to the 1953 protest. Fellows will then integrate these interviews into innovative learning projects in the English Language Arts, Social Studies, History, and the Visual and Performing Arts.

For application forms and guidelines go to [www.SouthernInstitute.info](http://www.SouthernInstitute.info) or call the Southern Institute for Education and Research at (504)862-8046.

Applications must be postmarked by April 15, 2003.

Conference Sponsors: Academic Distinction Fund, Baton Rouge Bus Boycott 50th Anniversary Organizing Committee, Louisiana State University, Southern University, and the Southern Institute for Education and Research at Tulane University. Funding for the conference and fellowships program generously provided by the McMains Family Foundation, Hans and Donna Sternberg, Bank One, Hibernia National Bank, Forum 35 of Baton Rouge. Special thanks to Mr. Frank McArthur for his generous support of the Jemison-Stovall Fellowship Program.