## Reckoning with Slaveholding Ancestry from Antebellum Virginia

A Talk by Sarah Jencks, Public Historian

Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 1pm – 2:30pm

Stephanie Grauman Wolf Room McNeil Center for Early American Studies 3355 Woodland Walk, University of Pennsylvania

Sarah Jencks explores the conflicts inherent in coming to terms with slaveholding ancestors, considering whether reparations are possible and how honest genealogical research can shape our historical understanding.

Sarah Jencks is the Director of Education and Interpretation at Ford's Theatre in Washington, DC, where she develops exhibitions and programs that explore Civil War Washington, the history of political violence in the United States, and the ever-evolving legacy of Abraham Lincoln.

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