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Jackson Library Honors Black History Month With Live Historical Interpretive Presentation

JACKSON – In commemoration of Black History Month, the Ocean County Library Jackson Branch hosts “Oney Judge, Martha Washington’s Slave,” 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22.

Interpretive performer Alex Ford takes attendees into the perilous life of Oney Judge, who served America’s first President and First Lady. George Washington’s will directed liberation of their slaves upon Martha’s death. Learning that Martha planned to give her to a newly-married couple, Judge became a fugitive by fleeing to New Hampshire.

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The branch is located at 2 Jackson Drive.

Registration is required for this free event. To register, call the branch, 732-928-4400, or visit www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events.

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