

PATERSON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**THE PATERSON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS
BEFORE YOU CAN SAY "JACKIE ROBINSON":
BLACK BASEBALL IN AMERICA AND NEW JERSEY IN THE ERA OF THE COLOR LINE**

The Paterson Free Public Library will present the program *Before You Can Say "Jackie Robinson": Black Baseball in America and New Jersey in the Era of the Color Line* on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at 6:00pm in the Assembly Room of the of the Paterson Free Public Library.

The program is funded by the Horizons Speakers Bureau of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Dr. Lawrence Hogan, Professor of History at Union County College, will discuss the history of Negro league baseball; an exclusively African American league that existed during America's era of segregation. This presentation will examine this hidden history of America's pastime on both a national and local level. Dr. Hogan will include exhibit materials and selections from the video documentary of the same name. In addition, Robert Scott, pitcher with the Negro league team, the Black Yankees, will be there to discuss his experiences as a "Negro league" player.

This event is open to the public and there is no charge for admission.

The Paterson Free Public Library is located at 250 Broadway in Paterson, NJ. For additional information, please contact Andrew Luck, Librarian, at 973-321-1223 Ext. 2295.

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