

*In Celebration of Black History Month Stenton Presents*

# Freedom Bound:

African American Women in 18th and 19th Century Philadelphia

Saturday, February 18, 1:00 PM

Presented by

**Erica Armstrong Dunbar**

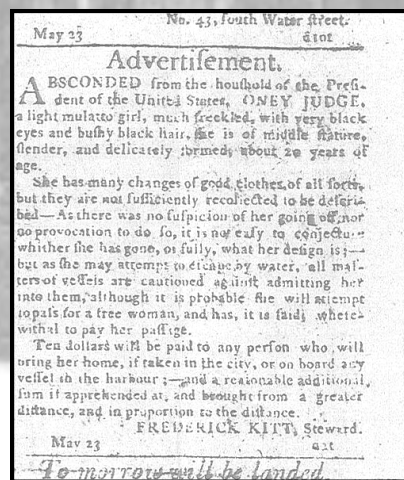
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Join us at Stenton on Saturday February 18th for a lecture and discussion examining the rocky road to emancipation experienced by the majority of African American women in the 18th and 19th century urban North. Although experiences varied according to location, age, marital status, and wealth, African American women in Philadelphia serve as useful symbolic representations of the hopeful possibilities of emancipation. *Tours of Stenton emphasizing service spaces on the property will follow the talk. Admission is free. Please call 215-329-7312 or email [programs@stenton.org](mailto:programs@stenton.org) to RSVP.*



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Runaway Advertisement for Oney Judge, enslaved servant in George Washington's presidential household. *The Pennsylvania Gazette*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1796.



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