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# History Department News for February 2016

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Public history graduate students Leisa Vaughn and Sarah Napier were an important part of the Georgia Historical Society team that put on this year's Georgia History Fair. Among other responsibilities, Vaughn created educational outreach materials for Georgia schools as part of her non-thesis project. Napier has been a graduate assistant at the GHS this year and has held a variety of responsibilities.

Dr. Lisa Denmark presented "The State of Chatham: Savannah's Wet Romp through Prohibition" to the City of Savannah Employees on February 12.

Jonathan Bryant's book, *Dark Places of the Earth: The Voyage of the Slave Ship Antelope*, is one of five finalists for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize in History. The winner will be announced at a ceremony in Los Angeles on April 9, 2016.

In January Dr. Bryant presented at the Friends of the Henderson Library Donors' reception and also spoke at the Aiken Co., S.C. Historical Museum and Library. In February Dr. Bryant was the Black History Month speaker at the Spartanburg, S. C. Public Library and also spoke to Honors Students at Converse College.

Dr. Craig Roell made the front page of the Statesboro Herald with a story on his book's winning of the Presidio La Bahía Award.

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