



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

February 27, 2024

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to Mayor's Order 1983-119, dated May 6, 1983, and section 4 of the Historic Landmark and Historic Protection Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-144; D.C. Official Code § 6-1103), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Ms. Gabrielle Miller
4th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20024
(Ward 6)

for appointment as an archaeologist member of the Historic Preservation Review Board, filling a vacant seat formerly held by Dr. Alexandra Jones, for a term to end July 21, 2026.


Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muriel Bowser".

Muriel Bowser
Mayor


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

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6 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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10 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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15 To confirm the appointment of Ms. Gabrielle Miller to the Historic Preservation Review Board.
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17 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this
18 resolution may be cited as the “Historic Preservation Review Board Gabrielle Miller
19 Confirmation Resolution of 2024”.

20 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

21 Ms. Gabrielle Miller
22 4th Street, SW
23 Washington, DC 20024
24 (Ward 6)
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27 as an archaeologist member of the Historic Preservation Review Board, established by Mayor’s
28 Order 83-119, dated May 6, 1983, and pursuant to section 4 of the Historic Landmark and
29 Historic District Protection Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-144; D.C. Official
30 Code § 6-1103), filling a vacant seat formerly held by Dr. Alexandra Jones, for a term to end
31 July 21, 2026.

32 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
33 upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

34 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

GABRIELLE C. MILLER

EDUCATION

The University of Tulsa – Tulsa, OK **2018 – Present**

Ph.D. – African Diaspora Archaeology, Department of Anthropology

DISS TOPIC: An ethno-archaeological study of the inter-generational legacies of resistance and freedom in the historic free Black neighborhood 'Free Gut' (St. Croix, USVI) spanning occupation and use from the 18th to 20th centuries using community based and decolonizing approaches. Approaches include community based archaeology, citizen science, and partnerships with locally based heritage and art non-profits/programs.

The University of Arizona – Tucson, AZ **2014 – 2016**

M.A. – Applied Archaeology, School of Anthropology

THESIS: *Assessing Collaboration: Archaeological Applications Abroad*, a qualitative study of collaborative archaeology in which two international projects serve as case studies in understanding how to develop criteria for assessing collaboration, and how technology can be utilized to operationalize such assessments.

The University of Arizona – Tucson, AZ **2015 – 2016**

Graduate Certificate Program – Heritage Conservation (College of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture)

Concentration: *Holistic, interdisciplinary preservation practices within an integrated environment of natural and cultural resources including the disciplines of anthropology, archaeology, museum studies, architecture, art history, and planning.*

The University of Arizona – Tucson, AZ **2010 – 2013**

B.A. – Anthropology

Minor – Arabic

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Program Specialist/Archaeologist **January 2022 – Present**

Center for the Study of Global Slavery/Slave Wrecks Project

Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture

- Conducts research through the Smithsonian Scientific Diving Office
- Designs and produces programming, curriculum and training related to the history of global slavery, maritime archaeology, and decolonizing approaches to research and community work
 - *Project Highlight: Slave Wrecks Project Academy: Senegal (Instructor and Coordinator)*
- Develops exhibition content in collaboration with curators and designers
- Manages global partnerships through the Slave Wrecks Project initiative and the Global Curatorial Project
- Co-PI and coordinator of collaborative partnership with Africatown residents and descendants of the Clotilda

Doctoral Discipline Assistantship/Lab Manager **August 2018 – May 2022**

Historical Archaeology and Heritage Conservation Laboratory

University of Tulsa - Department of Anthropology, Tulsa OK

- Assisted in lecturing and grading for undergraduate anthropology courses
 - Topics: African Diaspora Archaeology, New Methods in Historical Archaeology, Global Anthropology, Introduction to Early Human History
- Assists in processing and cataloging artifacts and field specimen
- Assists in managing care of historical archaeology collections

- Coordinates laboratory volunteer program
- Manages laboratory artifact and supply inventory
- Assists in facilitating laboratory research projects

Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) Analyst

August 2021 – May 2022

DAACS, Monticello Archaeology Program

Monticello, Charlottesville, VA

- Conducts topical research of Free Urban archaeological assemblage from the Free Gut community in Frederiksted, St. Croix
- Analyzes, catalogues, and perform statistical analyses of artifacts associated with Free Gut excavations for the expansion of the database regarding sites of freedom in the Caribbean.
- Assists in designing and hosting educational training videos targeting both specialized researchers and the broader public.

Independent Contractor

November 2020 – February 2021

Archaeological Services

Cox | McClain Environmental Consulting

- Archaeological Monitoring
- Archaeological Survey and Excavation
- Artifact Processing and Laboratory Analysis

Slave Wrecks Project: Youth Diving With A Purpose (YDWP)/NPS Intern

June 2021 – August 2021

YDWP/National Park Service

Biscayne National Park, Homestead FL

- Assisted in various tasks associated with documenting and assessing underwater archaeological resources within the boundary of the park.
- Used remote sensing and survey equipment to investigate magnetic anomalies to determine possible association to African Diasporic shipwreck
- Performed condition assessments of known sites within the park boundaries of Biscayne and Dry Tortugas
- Instructed and coordinated a one-week intensive underwater archaeological training of YDWP participants

Graduate Student Intern

June 2020 – August 2020

Digital Curation Department

Gilcrease Museum, Tulsa OK

- Assisted in managing, creating and optimizing tags and search terms for ethnographic museum objects curated online
 - Platform: TMS
- Assisted in ordering photographs of digitally curated objects for viewing online
 - Platform: Piction

Project Manager

October 2016 – August 2018

Cultural Resource Program

Nez Perce Tribe, Lapwai ID

- Managed program budgets and project administrations and timelines for all sub-departments including ethnography, archaeology and language
- Assisted in managing ethnography projects, traditional land use studies, determinations of National Register eligibility, and evaluation of archaeological and traditional cultural properties.
- Participated in archaeological excavation, survey, and cultural resource inventories
- Researched and wrote traditional cultural property and traditional land use study reports.
- Generated maps for project reports using ESRI software (ArcGIS and ArcPro)
- Assisted in programming and supervising the internship program
- Wrote and managed programmatic grants from internal, external, and Federal funding sources
- Manages project budgets and timelines
- Coordinated public outreach events and communications
- Produced and managed program design and marketing (graphic design and web design)

Graduate Research Assistant

September 2015 – August 2016

Roy P. Drachman Institute

The University of Arizona, Tucson AZ

- Developed a methodology and implemented a condition assessment plan for the National Park Service at Casa Grande National Monument (CAGR) by:
 - Documenting historic stabilization efforts of the ruins through archival research
 - Using developed condition assessment plan and photography to do a complete condition assessment of Compound A at CAGR
 - Utilizing ArcGIS and Autodesk software to develop geospatial and 3-dimensional visualizations of ruin conditions, both in the present and the past

Accounting Assistant, Senior

December 2013 – June 2015

Office of the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

The University of Arizona, Tucson AZ

- Managed and reconciled the 12 state and 2 UA Foundation accounts for the department
- Processed and approved various financial transactions
- Provided financial and non-financial support to the department in areas of employee travel, fixed assets, and many other fields
- Maintained the role of Procurement Card Liaison, Reconciler and Approver
- Provided administrative and financial support to the Student Services Fee and Freshmen Fee programs, as well their individual projects.

Student Office/Accounting Assistant

April 2011 – December 2013

Office of the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

The University of Arizona, Tucson AZ

- Assisted the Director of Finance and Administration with various accounting and administrative duties

Archaeological Survey Crew Member

May 2013

University of Oklahoma

Deming, NM

- Conducted an archaeological survey of various sites in conjunction with the Bureau of Land Management of sites ranging from precontact to classical Mimbres on BLM owned land in surrounding areas.

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS/SKILLS

- Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) Material Culture Analysis– Monticello, VA
 - Glass (Gold Level)
 - Ceramics (Silver Level)
- Archaeological Repository Intern
 - Arizona State Museum, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ: Summer 2015
- Archaeological Field School
 - University Indian Ruin, The University of Arizona, Tucson AZ: January – May 2013
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- AutoCAD drawing and design course
- Advance Microsoft Excel Training
- TICRAT 2016 – Earthen Architecture Preservation Workshop
- Professional Association of Diving Instructors (PADI) Specialty Certification – Underwater Archaeological Survey
- National Association of Underwater Instructors (NAUI) Advanced Diver Certification
 - Certification #: mill10292gabsd

- Certification Date: 12/6/2017
- PADI Rescue Diver/Oxygen Administration
- AAUS Scientific Diver
 - Organization reciprocity through the National Association of Black Scuba Divers (NABS)
- Independent Studies:
 - Arizona State Museum Repository, The University of Arizona: June 2016
 - Parrhasian Heritage Park, The University of Arizona, Greece: June – July 2015

FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS

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| DAACS NEH Fellow | July 2022 |
| Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS), Monticello, VA | |
| Slave Wrecks Project: Youth Diving with a Purpose/National Park Service Intern | Summer 2021 |
| Biscayne National Park, Homestead, FL | |
| Chapman Distinguished Ph. D. Fellowship | Summers 2020 & 2021 |
| Graduate School, University of Tulsa | |
| Student Research Grant | March 2020 |
| Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, University of Tulsa | |
| SREB State Doctoral Scholar | August 2019 – Present |
| University of Tulsa, Southern Regional Education Board | |
| Chapman Distinguished Ph. D. Fellowship | Summer 2019 |
| Graduate School, University of Tulsa | |
| Student Research Grant | March 2019 |
| Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, University of Tulsa | |
| Conoco-Phillips/Office of Diversity and Engagement Grant | December 2018 |
| Chevron Multicultural Resource Center, University of Tulsa | |
| Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship Award | March 2016 |
| United States Department of Education; Center for Middle Eastern Studies (CMES), University of Arizona | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>FLAS Program/Location</u>: Arizona in Jordan Program in Amman • <u>Language and Level</u>: Intermediate/Advanced Levantine Arabic Dialect | |

PUBLICATIONS/REPORTS

Single and Co-Authored Works:

2022(Pending)
Article in edited volume on Urban Archaeology

Ike, Nkem, Gabrielle Miller and Gabby Omoni Hartemann

2020 Anti-Racist Archaeology: Your Time is Now

Miller, Gabrielle

2017 Cultural Resource Inventory for the Hendrickson Ranch CREP Project for the Farm Service Agency and the Asotin County Conservation District. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program, Lapwai, ID.

2016 *Assessing Collaboration: Archaeological Applications Abroad*, 2016. Submitted to the Graduate College at the University of Arizona to fulfill the requirements for a Master's in Applied Archaeology.

Erikson, Helen et al.

2016 Historic American Landscape Survey (HALS) Nomination – Empire Ranch Landscape. The University of Arizona College of Architecture, Planning, and Landscape Architecture, Tucson.

Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program Technical Report Contributions:

2019 Lochsa Corridor Traditional Cultural Property Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program, Lapwai, ID.

2017 Ethnographic Traditional Use Study of the Heller Bar Landscape, Asotin County, Washington. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program. Report submitted to Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

2017 Teakean Butte Traditional Use and Traditional Cultural Property Study, Clearwater County, Idaho. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program. Report submitted to Bonneville Power Administration.

2017 Traditional Use Study of the Snake River Road and Associated Ethnographic Landscape, Asotin County, Washington. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program. Report submitted to Asotin County, Washington.

2017 Traditional Cultural Property Inventory of the Federal Columbia River Power System, including the North Fork of the Clearwater River and the Dworshak Reservoir Downriver to the Dworshak Dam, Clearwater County, Idaho. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program. Report submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District.

2016 Traditional Use Study and Traditional Cultural Properties Inventory of Access Routes and Journey Information to Celilo Falls, Wasco County, Oregon. Nez Perce Tribe Cultural Resource Program. Submitted to the Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District.

PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES

The Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) Conversations **2022**

Title: Fragments of Freedom: Remnants of Emancipated Life in Free Gut

The Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) Conversations **2021**

Title: Fragments of Freedom: An Introductory Glance at Excavations in a Crucian Free Black Neighborhood

Thomas Jefferson's Monticello

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| DAACS and The Society of Black Archaeologists: Research on St. Croix Guest Presenter - The Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Alp3BRc-MDE4 | 2021 |
| Archaeology in the Community (AITC) Guest Lecturer – Youth Archaeology Online Summer Camp | 2020 |
| Society for Historical Archaeology Annual Meeting Title: Transformative Placemaking: The Intersection of Art, Archaeology, and the Community in Freedom City Session: Community Archaeology in 2020: Conventional or Revolutionary? Author(s): Miller, Gabrielle; Gerard, Frandelle | 2020 |
| Arizona Historic Preservation Conference Title: Preservation in an Age of Sustainability Planning Toward Environmental, Economic, and Social Sustainability Authors(s): Nicole Lavelly, Gabrielle Miller, Maureen McDonald | 2016 |
| Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting Assessing Collaboration: Archaeological Applications Abroad – Poster Session | 2016 |

VOLUNTEER WORK

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| Archaeology in the Community, Inc. Archaeology Youth Camp Instructor | Spring 2022 |
| DWP Instructor Candidate Diving with a Purpose (DWP), Maritime Archaeology Program | June 2020 |
| YDWP Diver Mentor Youth Diving with a Purpose (YDWP), Maritime Archaeology Program | June 2020 - Present |
| President/Co-Founder – Graduate Diversity & Inclusion Coalition University of Tulsa | January 2019 - Present |
| Archaeological Survey Diver Diving with a Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteer underwater archaeologists for Diving with a Purpose, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to studying Black maritime history and training Black underwater scientific researchers. | June 2018 |
| Fundraising Manager Tucson Roller Derby <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed the finances and programs created for raising funds for the development of Tucson Roller Derby, a skater owned and run 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Tucson, AZ. | March 2014 |
| Community Development Volunteer Amman, Jordan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traveled abroad to provide volunteer services to Holy Land Designs, an olive wood artisan workshop, dedicated to providing employment and education services to under-privileged Jordanians and Palestinians. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Assisted in the manufacturing and packaging of goods | July – August 2012 |

- Taught an informal foundational English course aimed at developing basic conversation skills

Project Leader/Community Development Volunteer

June – July 2014

Amman, Jordan

- Co-lead a trip abroad to Amman, JO for the purpose of bringing additional volunteers to Holy Land Designs as well as facilitating an exposure tour aimed at immersing college undergraduates in a new cultural environment.
 - A total of 8 undergraduate student from various universities attended this trip

MEDIA

SAPIENS Podcast/SAPIENS:Talk Back

Season 4: Redrawing the Boundaries

<https://www.sapiens.org/archaeology/black-indigenous-archaeology-violence/>

National Geographic

These Divers Search for Slave Shipwrecks and Discover Their Ancestors

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u2l_EugvRw8

Ocean Science Radio

Diving with a Purpose and the Hunt for Sunken Slave Ships

<https://oceanscienceradio.simplecast.com/episodes/diving-with-a-purpose-and-the-hunt-for-sunken-slave-ships>

FestivalCHAT (Contemporary and Historical Archaeology in Theory)

Participant - Black in Archaeology Film

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tSJU9eb7c2o>

MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association

Archaeology Division – Student Member at Large 2022-2023

Society of Black Archaeologists

Member since 2018

Society for Historical Archaeology

Student Member since 2019

Society for American Archaeology

Student Member since 2015



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Dr. Gabrielle Miller



Dr. Miller has worked in academia for nearly a decade, including as a Program Specialist / Archaeologist with the Center for the Study of Global Slavery/Slave Wrecks Project at the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, a Lab Manager with the Historical Archaeology and Heritage Conservation Laboratory, a Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery (DAACS) Analyst with the DAACS Monticello Archaeology Program, and an Independent Contractor with Cox | McClain Environmental Consulting.

Dr. Miller earned her B.A. in anthropology from the University of Arizona, her M.A. in applied archaeology at the University of Arizona, and her Ph.D. in African Diaspora Archaeology at the University of Tulsa.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Tomas Talamante, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: February 7, 2024
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Bill Marzella, Gabrielle Miller, Georgeanne Matthews, Patrick Williams, Andrew Aurbach, and Gretchen Pfahler as members of the Historic Preservation Review Board

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Erika Satterlee, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Cavendish