

# NATIONAL HISTORY DAY 2020 Breaking Barriers in History Resources

One advantage of choosing topics from the 20th century is the abundance of accessible primary and secondary source materials. The Sixth Floor Museum's collections include original documents and manuscripts, photographs, newspapers and magazines, three-dimensional artifacts and audio-visual recordings—including early 1960s television and radio broadcasts, home movies and more than 1,900 oral history interviews—all pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy, the aftermath and legacy of that event, and the history and culture of Dallas and the 1960s. These resources support the **Sample Project Ideas** and provide source material for developing meaningful historical interpretations in the form of the National History Day categories: *Documentary, Exhibit, Paper, Performance* and *Website*.

Museum staff are available to help identify, locate and understand the Museum's Collections. Schedule an appointment in the **Reading Room**, email the **readingroom@jfk.org** or call **214.389.3070**.

### **Online Collections | emuseum.jfk.org**

The Sixth Floor Museum holds in its collections approximately 65,000 items related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the local and global aftermath of his tragic death, the legacy of his presidency and the history and culture of the 1960s. The Museum's collections include original documents and manuscripts, photographs, three-dimensional artifacts, architectural elements and audio-visual recordings including amateur home movies and oral histories.

### Oral History Project | jfk.org/the-collections/oral-history

The ongoing audio-visual Oral History Project explores the history and culture of Dallas and the 1960s and preserves personal recollections regarding the life and death of President John F. Kennedy. These candid, informal interviews offer insight into the Kennedy legacy and the local—and global—impact of his assassination. In addition, the reflections of younger Americans born long after 1963 provide unique insights for this collection and help keep President Kennedy's legacy relevant to future generations.

### JFK Assassination Timeline | jfk.org/the-assassination/jfk-assassination-timeline

The JFK Assassination Timeline was created to foster a better understanding of the events surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy. The timeline begins in 1917 with John F. Kennedy's birth and ends in 2017 with the release of new assassination-related materials by the government. This multi-media research tool is enhanced with photographs, film and video footage, documents and artifacts from the Museum's collections. You can also listen to oral histories, view video clips, and examine photographs and documents.

#### JFK Resource Consortium | jfk.org/jfk-resource-consortium

The JFK Resource Consortium was created by The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza to gather the rich and diverse JFKrelated collections located across the state of Texas and present them in a single portal. Researchers can use this tool to locate materials such as documents, correspondence, photographs, oral histories, artifacts and archival footage related to President Kennedy's life, legacy and assassination. Each member institution page lists the location of the collection, a brief description of the holding and its relevance to President Kennedy, how to access the collection, and contact information. Institutional logos provide direct links to the member's web site.

## The Reading Room Catalog | catalog.jfk.org/cgi-bin/koha/opac-main.pl

The Reading Room provides a reflective environment for people of all ages seeking information and understanding about the assassination and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. The Reading Room provides access to more than 8,000 books, magazines, newspapers and videos and covers topics ranging from Kennedy's life and legacy to conspiracy theories to 1960s pop culture.

## John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum | jfklibrary.org

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum acquires, preserves, arranges and describes, and provides access to primary-source materials in all formats that document the life, political career, and times of John F. Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States. Begin your search here: jfklibrary.org/Research/Search-Our-Collections.aspx