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Freedom! Or Not? Sarah's Story of Emancipation

**Historical Character Performance
By Sheila Arnold Jones**



**Monday, February 26, 2018
7:00 PM (doors open 6:30)**

Historic Christ Church, Bayne Center
420 Christ Church Rd, Weems

\$10 admission donation requested

Reservations recommended to ensure seating
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Experience the joys and difficulties of a freed black woman in Virginia in 1805 as told through the eyes of former slave Sarah. The character of Sarah is based on the true histories of women, men, and families who were gradually freed by Robert Carter III's 1791 Deed of Emancipation. After Carter's death in 1804, his son George tried to stop the process. At that time, Sarah's children remained enslaved and the future of their freedom became uncertain. Sarah's story will break your heart and lift your soul as she shares her hopes and fears for her family and herself.

Sheila Arnold Jones is a professional storyteller and CEO of her own company "History's Alive!" in Hampton, VA. She has been researching, developing, and performing historical character interpretations for the past twenty years, following positions in programmatic outreach and public relations at the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation.

