



Internal Memorandum
Elected Officials - Executive
Mayor-President's Office (1200)

TO: Veronica Williams

DATE: October 4, 2022

FROM: Josh Guillory

SUBJ: Lafayette Preservation Committee
Appointment of Laura Hughes

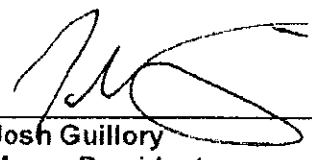
I hereby recommend the appointment of Ms. Laura Hughes to the Lafayette Preservation Committee. She will serve the remainder of a previously vacated four-year term expiring August 31, 2024. The vacated position comes from Trevian Ambroise resigning on August 1, 2022.

This is subject to Council ratification.

Ms. Laura Hughes' contact information is listed below:

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If further information is needed, please let me know.



Josh Guillory
Mayor-President

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Attachments

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Mary Sliman

LAURA HUGHES

M.A. PUBLIC HISTORY

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EDUCATION

Masters of Arts in Public History
University of Louisiana at Lafayette,

Graduating:
Summer 2022

Bachelor of Liberal Arts, History
University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Graduated: May
2020

WORK EXPERIENCE

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy Center, ULL
Oral History Interviewer, Graduate Assistant

August 2021-Current

- Partnered with LSU's Reilly Center for Media and Public Affairs and the T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History, the Department of History at Xavier University of Louisiana, and the Waggoner Center at Louisiana Tech University to document and preserve the legacies of female politicians who have impacted Louisiana throughout the decades.
- I researched the lives and policies of Louisiana's female mayors, state representatives, senators, etc. and conducted oral history interviews, which became a part of an archive at LSU.
- Learned how to set up and work camera, lighting, and oral recording equipment for the interviews.

University of Louisiana at Lafayette
ULL Building Names Taskforce, Graduate Research Assistant

August 2020- May 2021

- I was in charge of researching the backgrounds of the men and/ or families that the buildings on ULL's campus are named after. This involved extensive research within the university's archives, public records, and genealogy records.
- I created a database to organize the materials on the thirty-eight buildings that the task force was investigating.
- I also researched the land donations and land acquisition of the university, analyzed SLI's Board of Trustees Minutes, and discovered and accessed a restricted folder within the university archives which named all the members of the Ku Klux Klan in the early 1920s, several of which have buildings on campus named after them.

- I reviewed Section 106 applications and determined if the project could continue or needed further review.
 - Attended meetings with National Parks Service and Berksdale Air Force Base to determine how to minimize or mitigate damage to historic structures, buildings, and districts in their charge.
 - Reviewed and ranked grant applications.
 - Worked extensively with Louisiana Historic Standing Structures Surveys and the Louisiana Cultural Resources Map, ensuring that all data, locations, etc. were accurate.
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PUBLICATIONS

- "Map of Hurricane Harvey's Impact" *Reflections of Hurricane Harvey in Louisiana*** 2019-2020
- A student and community exhibit in UL Lafayette's Museum on the Move. Co-authored by Rachel Lautigar and Maddie Fulton.
- "Allons Chez Tee Maurice: Tee Maurice Race Track and Dance Hall, 1902-1983"** May 2022
- Acadiana Historical App
 - <https://acadianahistorical.org/items/show/181>
- "Lâche pas la Patate: The Quarter Pole Training Center"** May 2022
- Acadiana Historical App
 - <https://acadianahistorical.org/items/show/87>
- "The 440 Yard Journey: Cajun Downs, 1898-1998"** May 2022
- Acadiana Historical App
 - <https://acadianahistorical.org/items/show/123>
- "A Look at Carencro Raceways"** May 2022
- Acadiana Historical App
 - <https://acadianahistorical.org/items/show/145>
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & WORKSHOPS

- The American Historical Association 135th Annual Conference** January 2022
Panel Speaker, *Confronting the Ghosts of Our Institution's Past, Present, & Future: Building Names and Race at Two Deep South Campuses*
- I spoke about the research I conducted for ULL's Building Names Taskforce at the AHA National Conference.
 - Session Abstract: <https://aha.confex.com/aha/2022/webprogram/Session22583.html>

Panel Speaker, *Black Civil War Veterans in Iberia Parish*

- I spoke about the history of African American enlistment in the Civil War. I then narrowed my talk to two men from New Iberia who I conducted extensive research on, where they enlisted, their military service, and their lives after returning home from war- knowledge gained from gathering census data, military service records, marriage records, and pension records.

A W A R D S

Dean's List

Fall 2018, Spring 2020

President's List

Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2022,
Spring 2022

VOLUNTEERING & MEMBERSHIPS

Phi Alpha Theta

Epsilon Xi Chapter, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

2019-Current

American Historical Association

2021-Current

Louisiana Historical Association

2020-Current

Volunteer Note-Taker

University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Office of Disability Services

2018-2020