# "A Long Time Coming": Community-Based Historical Archaeology in Setauket, New York

# Summer 2013 Field School

## Project Description

Montclair State University in collaboration with Higher Ground Intercultural and Heritage Association, Inc., is offering a field school in community-based historical archaeology. Field school participants will contribute to three ongoing research projects. These include excavations at the Jacob and Hannah Hart site, a late 19th-century home associated with one of the community's most well known and highly regarded families, as well as excavations at the Thompson House site, a locally prominent 18thcentury farmstead. In both cases the fieldwork seeks to collect data on the early history and development of Setauket's Native and African American community in the contexts of both slavery and freedom. The third project is a community-based historical study of Setauket's Bethel AME Church, which was founded by community members in 1845 and remains a vital community institution. Participants will learn the fundamentals of archaeological excavation, site interpretation, and oral and archival research methods.





#### Dates: June 17-July 12



#### Academic Credit and Cost

- 4 academic credits: Anthropology 470, Archaeological Field Methods
- For more information on registration and program costs, visit www.montclair.edu/summer/
- Please contact Dr. Christopher Matthews for information on local housing options.

### Application Deadline: May 31, 2013

The Project is limited to 12 students. To apply please contact Dr. Christopher Matthews at <a href="matthewsc@mail.montclair.edu">matthewsc@mail.montclair.edu</a>.



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