

# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Miles M. Jackson

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## Overview of the Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
<b>Creator:</b>	Jackson, Miles M., 1929-
<b>Title:</b>	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson,
<b>Dates:</b>	December 12, 2019
<b>Bulk Dates:</b>	2019
<b>Physical Description:</b>	9 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:32:03).
<b>Abstract:</b>	Professor and librarian Miles M. Jackson, Jr. (1929- ) served as professor and dean at the University of Hawai'i-Mānoa School of Library and Information Sciences, in Honolulu, Hawai'i from 1975 to 1995. Jackson was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on December 12, 2019, in Honolulu, Hawaii. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
<b>Identification:</b>	A2019_140
<b>Language:</b>	The interview and records are in English.

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## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Professor and librarian Miles M. Jackson, Jr. was born on April 28, 1929 in Richmond, Virginia to Thelma Manning and Miles Jackson, Sr. He graduated from Armstrong High School, in Richmond, Virginia and received his B.A. degree in English in 1955 from Virginia Union University. He then earned his M.S. degree in 1956 from Drexel University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He later enrolled at Indiana University and completed his postgraduate coursework from 1961 to 1964. Jackson received his Ph.D. degree in communications in 1974, graduating from Syracuse University's Newhouse School of Communications, in Syracuse, New York.

With a specialty in library and information science, Jackson served as an educator, librarian and researcher at selected libraries, including the Free Library of Philadelphia from 1955 to 1958, and territorial libraries in American Samoa from 1962 to 1964, to higher learning institutions including the C.P. Huntington Memorial Library at Hampton Institute from 1958 to 1962, and Trevor Arnett Library at Atlanta University from 1964 to 1969. In 1969, Jackson was named associate professor at the School of Information Studies at the State University of New York, in Geneseo, New York. He joined the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa in 1975 as a professor and was named dean of the Graduate School of Library Science in 1983. He retired as professor and dean emeritus from the School of Library and Information Sciences in 1995.

Jackson has traveled widely in the South Pacific and Asia and was a Fulbright Professor at the University of Tehran, in Iran from 1968 to 1969. He was the recipient of a Ford Foundation Fellowship award for study in East and West Africa in 1969. He served as an Asia Foundation consultant to the Ministry of Education in Papua New Guinea in 1981, and was a U.S. State Department specialist in Pakistan and India from 1981 to 1983.

Jackson served as executive producer of *Holding Fast the Dream*, a one-hour documentary film on African Americans in Hawaii. The film premiered at the 2010 Hawaii International Film Festival and was selected for the San Diego Black Film Festival in 2011. Included in his published works are books: *And They Came: A Brief*

*History of Blacks in Hawaii*, Four G Press, 2001, and *They Followed the Trade Winds: African Americans in Hawaii*, University of Hawaii Press, 2005. Jackson has also been a contributor to the *Honolulu Advertiser* and *Mahogany Magazine*.

Jackson received the NAACP 2010 Martin Luther King, Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award and was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by *Marquis Who's Who* in 2019.

Miles M. Jackson, Jr. was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on December 12, 2019.

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## Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Miles M. Jackson was conducted by Larry Crowe on December 12, 2019, in Honolulu, Hawaii, and was recorded on 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Professor and librarian Miles M. Jackson, Jr. (1929- ) served as professor and dean at the University of Hawai'i-Mānoa School of Library and Information Sciences, in Honolulu, Hawai'i from 1975 to 1995.

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### Restrictions on Access

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## Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

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## Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

### Persons:

Jackson, Miles M., 1929-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews  
Jackson, Miles M., 1929---Interviews

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## Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

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The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

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## Occupations:

Librarian

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## HistoryMakers® Category:

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## Administrative Information

### Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

### Preferred Citation

The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, December 12, 2019. The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection, 1900 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

### Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

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## Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

**Series I: Original Interview Footage**

- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_001, TRT: 1:29:26  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_003, TRT: 3:31:09  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_004, TRT: 4:29:43  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_005, TRT: 5:30:48  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_006, TRT: 6:29:19  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_007, TRT: 7:28:55  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_008, TRT: 8:29:42  
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- Video Oral History Interview with Miles M. Jackson, Section A2019\_140\_001\_009, TRT: 9:32:27  
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