

Hank Klibanoff will be keynote speaker at SGA Annual Meeting

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Atlanta, GA – The Society of Georgia Archivists' (SGA) <u>annual meeting</u> will be held October 12-13, 2023 at the KSU Center located on the campus of Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, Georgia. This year's theme for the annual meeting is "Evolving Technologies: Using Digital Spaces Effectively." In the spirit of this theme, SGA is excited to announce that our keynote speaker will be Pulitzer Prize winning author and creator of the <u>Buried Truths</u> podcast Hank Klibanoff.

Hank Klibanoff is a professor of practice in the Emory University Creative Writing Program in Atlanta, where he teaches nonfiction writing. He joined Emory at the close of a 36-year career in newspapers in Mississippi and at *The Boston Globe, The Philadelphia Inquirer* and *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, where he was managing editor for news. In 2006 he and his co-author, Gene Roberts, won the Pulitzer Prize in history for their book, <u>The Race Beat: The Press, the Civil Rights Struggle and the Awakening of a Nation</u>. Klibanoff is also the creator and host of <u>Buried Truths</u>, a narrative history podcast produced by WABE (NPR) in Atlanta. The podcast (https://apple.co/33XvDkL) is drawn from the Georgia Civil Rights Cold Cases Project (coldcases.emory.edu), which Klibanoff directs and teaches at Emory. Buried Truths has won Peabody, Robert F. Kennedy, Edward R. Murrow and American Bar Association Silver Gavel awards. In Spring 2021, Klibanoff was nominated by President Joe Biden and later won Senate confirmation to the newly created Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board. He was elected into the American Academy of Arts & Sciences in 2022.

Founded in 1969, the Society of Georgia Archivists represents over 250 individuals and 100 repositories that care for historical records. In association with its member archivists, librarians, records managers, museum and historical agency personnel, and educators, the Society of Georgia Archivists is working to preserve the past and the present for the future.