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Virginia Museum of History & Culture Presents 'Keep on Keeping On: The NAACP and the Implementation of *Brown v. Board of Education* in Virginia' with Brian Daugherty

Richmond, VA — On Thursday, September 12, at 12:00 p.m., the Virginia Museum of History & Culture (VMHC) will present a Banner Lecture entitled, "Keep on Keeping On: The NAACP and the Implementation of *Brown v. Board of Education* in Virginia." The lecture coincides with the museum's new exhibition, *Determined: The 400-Year Struggle for Black Equality*.

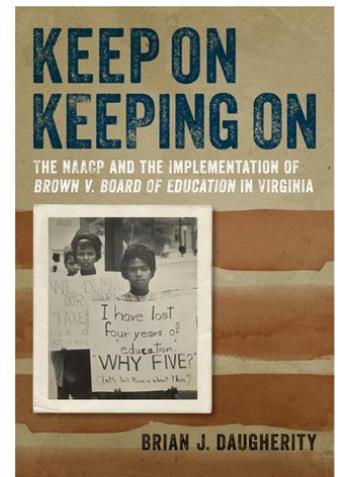
Virginia played a central role in the process of school desegregation. The state was home to one of the five cases decided in *Brown v. Board of Education—Davis v. Prince Edward County*, filed after a student strike against inferior school facilities in Farmville. After the *Brown* decision was handed down in 1954, Virginia helped to launch and guide the movement against school desegregation, known as massive resistance. Despite this, proponents of change sought the implementation of *Brown v. Board of Education* in the commonwealth, and in the 1960s their efforts led to additional legal victories that sped up the process of school desegregation nationwide. Brian Daugherty's latest book, *Keep On Keeping On*, tells the story of the implementation of *Brown v. Board of Education* in Virginia. It examines the official reaction to the case and the massive resistance movement but focuses on the overlooked strategies and efforts of the proponents of school desegregation. The story highlights the role of the Virginia State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Dr. Brian J. Daugherty, associate professor of history at Virginia Commonwealth University, is an expert on the civil rights era in the commonwealth. He is the coeditor with Charles C. Bolton of *With All Deliberate Speed: Implementing *Brown v. Board of Education** and with Brian Grogin of *A Little Child Shall Lead Them: A Documentary Account of the Struggle for School Desegregation in Prince Edward County, Virginia* and the author of *Keep on Keeping On: The NAACP and the Implementation of *Brown v. Board of Education* in Virginia*.

Attendees can reserve a signed copy of the book at ShopVirginiaHistory.org/KeepOnKeepingOn.

TICKETS

- VHMC Members: Complimentary
- Children under 18: Complimentary
- Adults: \$10
- For more information please call: 804.340.1800



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