

Session 2: Oral History Interviews

The project director, assisted by the archivist and program coordinator, will conduct this workshop. Each pair of participants will interview each other, based on the question prompts they selected in session 1. Each interview will be limited to 15 minutes, and the whole group will hear each other's stories. The Queens Memory team will record the interviews and take that audio back to edit into polished clips saved to MicroSD cards for session 3. If time remains, we will have a demonstration of the LilyPad wired into a sample quilt square by our tech team.

Session leader(s): Project director, archivist and program coordinator; STEM educator and technology mentor

Objectives:

- Each participant will record a 15-minute interview with his/her partner; the group as a whole will hear all the stories.
- Participants will learn more about the LilyPad technology and what activities to expect at session 3.
- We will remind them to gather fabrics and other material for session 4 and go over Karen's suggestions.

Schedule:

2:45 pm: Ying interviews Solange

3:05 pm: Sharlene interviews Marina

3:25 pm: Solange interviews Ying

3:45 pm: Marina interviews Sharlene

4:00 pm: Lynn and Kevon demonstrate LilyPad and how it will attach to sample quilt square

4:20 pm: Lori reminds participants of fabric guidelines and provides handout

Materials required:

- Digital recorder
- Index card name plates
- Sample quilt square with LilyPad attached
- Fabric scraps
- Handout

Handouts/homework:

- Participants will be given a handout with fabric guidelines
- They will be asked to start gathering fabrics and thinking about design ideas for their squares
- Queens Memory team will edit interviews into 1- 2-minute clips and load onto MicroSD cards for use in session 3