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February 2025 Lunch & Learn Presentation
Civil Sights: Sweet Auburn, a Journey Through Atlanta's National Treasure
by Gene Kansas

The Georgia Archives Lunch & Learn presentation, *Civil Sights: Sweet Auburn, a Journey Through Atlanta's National Treasure* by Gene Kansas, will be held onsite. The presentation is on Friday, February 14, 2025, from noon to 1:00 PM at the Georgia Archives, 5800 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, GA.

The Lunch & Learn presentation is free, and no registration is required.

Join historic preservationist and author Gene Kansas as he discusses the research process and storytelling approach behind his new book, *Civil Sights: Sweet Auburn, a Journey Through Atlanta's National Treasure*. Kansas will share his journey of uncovering the stories that define Sweet Auburn, focusing on how detailed research and compelling narratives bring the neighborhood's history and pivotal role in the Civil Rights Movement to life. This session will offer insights into his methods for blending architectural history with personal stories, emphasizing the importance of preserving both the physical and cultural heritage of this iconic Atlanta district.

Rooted in New Orleans culture, Gene Kansas is an award-winning developer, preservationist, and social entrepreneur whose work bridges past and present through thoughtful and conscientious development. His commercial real estate business specializes in culturally impactful projects that celebrate and preserve the unique character of historic buildings and neighborhoods while fostering modern community connections.

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