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Liberty's Diaspora: Black Women in the Age of the American Revolution



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This presentation examines the lives of three Black women who had been enslaved in the British North American colonies at the time of the American Revolution. The presentation reflects on their lives by considering the ways historians have navigated the archival gaps and silences about Black women's presence. The presentation follows the women's voluntary and forced migrations, their Diasporic routes, within the Americas and across the Atlantic. This focus on Black women's routes of resistance, liberation and deportation adds a new dimension to the more familiar and male dominated stories of slavery, Black Loyalists and the American Revolution.

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