

# THE TRUE STORY OF CLARA BROWN: The Angel of the Rockies



Clara was a slave who was born in Virginia, sold twice, and didn't get her freedom until she was 56 years old. On the day of the second sale, her husband and children were sold to different masters and of course she lost track of them. For the next fifty years it was her single-minded quest to find them, a journey that took her to the gold rush days of Colorado. Through all of this, she was known for her generosity and kindness. Clara is taught about in Colorado schools and you can see a stained glass window of her in the Denver state house.

Ms. Angela da Silva will present a first-person portrayal of the first Black in the Rockies and her fifty year journey in search of her family. Cultural preservationist, Angela da Silva, has a life-long passion for history and the need for all of us be more aware of the voices and stories of African-Americans that may have been lost over the years. Through her presentations, she hopes to illuminate what it may have been like to live in those times.

**DATE:**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019**  
**TIME:**  
**6:30-7:30 P.M.**

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