

# 2022-2023

## Local – Worthington Cemetery

### McMaster Fellow

Steven A. Bare, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of History – This McMaster project focused on the historical research surrounding the Worthington Cemetery, a non-extant African American cemetery in Defiance County, Ohio. In partnership with the Defiance Public Library, scholars on this team collected historical data, including, but not limited to, documents, cadaver dog findings, and ground penetrating radar results. These findings were used to compose an application for a state of Ohio historical marker to be placed at the cemetery site. As of May 2023, the application has been submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office and the application is awaiting determination.

### McMaster Associate Fellow

Angela Sosebee, Director of Marketing

### McMaster Scholars

Allie Bevins, Freshman, History – Lead Archival Researcher. The Worthington cemetery project garners recognition from the state of Ohio as it is a non-extant African American cemetery that was owned by a prominent African American resident of Defiance County, Ohio.

Caia Bevins, Freshman, Criminal Justice – Cadaver Dog and Ground Penetrating Radar Support. The goal of this project was to support the placement of markers for the cadaver dogs and mark out the paths for the deployment of the ground penetrating radar.

Tyler Taylor, Senior, Graphic Design – Photographer and Media Specialist. The goal of this project was to document, via photography, the cadaver dog and ground penetrating radar findings. The photographs were then used in media presentation for our community partner, the Defiance Public Library, and for the Defiance College community.