

AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER PRESENTS:

THE BIG DEAL ABOUT SMALL TALK BY DEBORAH TURNER

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THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD— PATH TO FREEDOM BY PETRA HELENIUS

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, AT 17:30-19:00
AT THE AUDITORIUM OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY
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February is the National African American History Month in the United States.
In observance of the annual celebration the American Resource Center arranges an event of two presentations:

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AND

The Underground Railroad - Path to Freedom

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University of Helsinki

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