



THE GOMEZ FAMILY, AN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Genealogist David Kleiman to Speak at the Gomez Mill House

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New York, NY (July 25, 2011) - On Sunday, **August 14, 2011** at 1 pm, our Sunday at Mill House program highlights genealogist, David Kleiman, who will offer a multi-media lecture/discussion tracing the lives of Luis Moses Gomez. *The Gomez Family, An Historical Perspective*, uses the genealogy of Luis Moses Gomez to illustrate the Gomez family history while underscoring fascinating truths and fantastic fables about him and his remarkable descendents. Their journey begins in Spain at the court of King Ferdinand and winds through France, Jamaica and other parts of the Caribbean, early New York, ending at a remote trading post in the Hudson Valley. Along the way are tales of pirates and profits, imprisonment and Inquisition, and familial connections with key ties to early Jewish American history – including the Lopez, de Tores, Levy, de Leon, Silva, Seixas, and Hendricks families.



David M. Kleiman is a publisher, researcher, folklorist, and popular educator. His work with family histories extends for over 35 years. He is president of Heritage Muse, Inc. and co-founder of the NY Computers and Genealogy Special Interest Group. David is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Genealogical Speakers Guild, and serves on the Executive Council of the Jewish Genealogical Society-NY. In 2009 he took on the duties of curator for the new Loeb Visitors Center at Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island, overseeing an extensive exhibit on the history of the synagogue, the Jewish role in Colonial America, and the underpinnings of our First Amendment rights on Religious Freedom. Heritage Muse, Inc. publish digital editions of classic humanities reference works in literature and history targeted to 21st century students in university environments.

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