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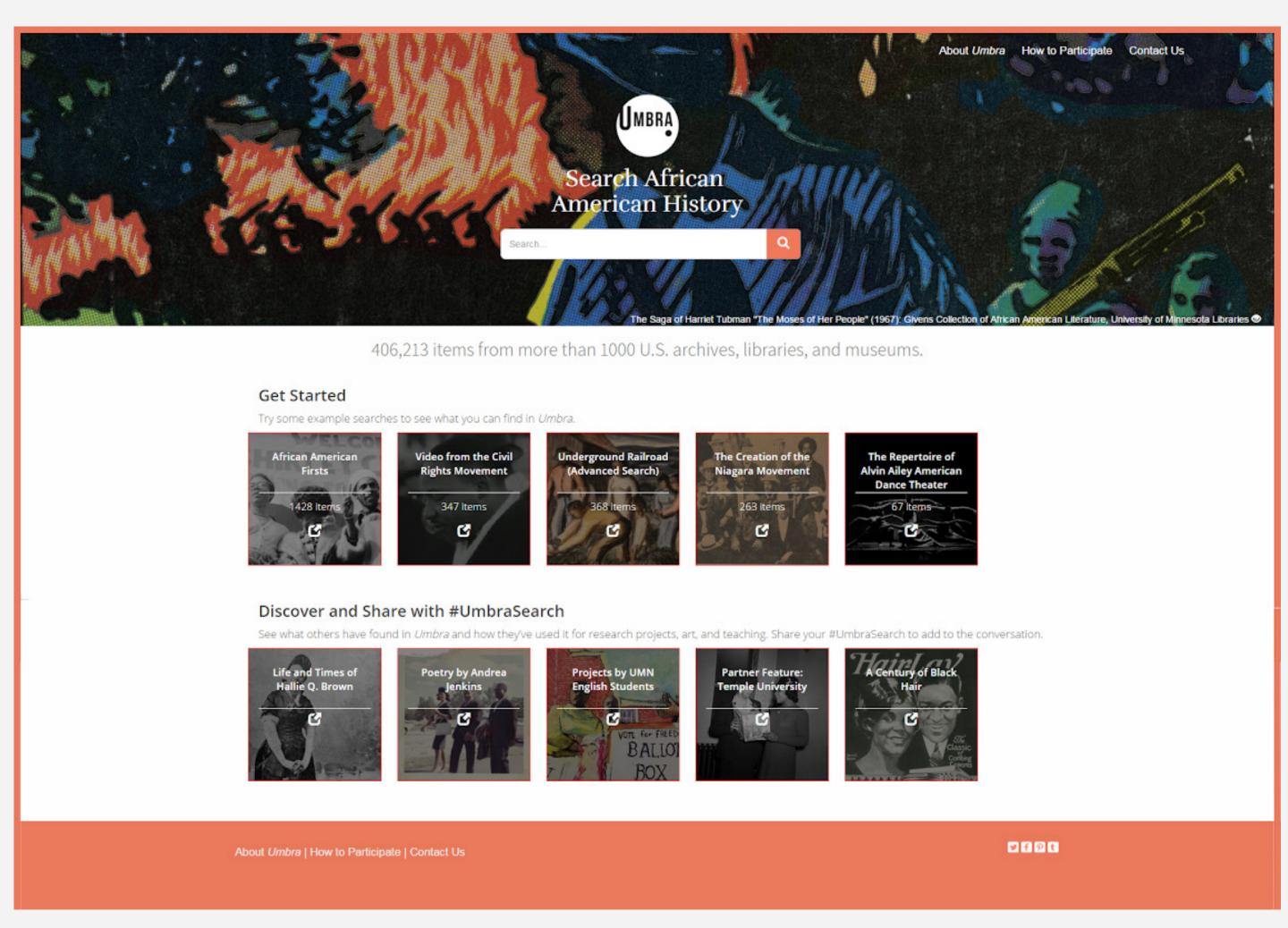


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BACKGROUND

The urgency of representing African American history as fully as possible drives *Umbra: Search African American History* (umbrasearch.org), a free online search tool and widget that aggregates and makes discoverable over 400,000 digitized materials from over 1,000 US libraries, archives, and cultural heritage institutions.



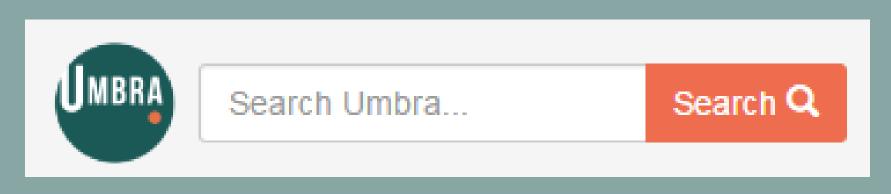
Homepage of *Umbra: Search African American History* (umbrasearch.org)

CONCLUSION

Use *Umbra* and embed the widget to bring diverse content into library instruction, education, and collection building. www.umbrasearch.org/widgets

Final / DH Projects | History Day | Creative Works

Share **#UmbraSearch** to develop and promote counter and underrepresented narratives.



METHODOLOGY

Parnterships



Open Data Platforms



Technology



In aggregating digital collections from across the country, *Umbra* leverages partnerships, open data platforms, and technology to create access to a national digital corpus of African American cultural history materials.

CASE STUDIES: use & impact

#UmbraSearch

A digital storytelling tool for the many thousands of materials discoverable in *Umbra*.

Students

Artists

Partners







Restores some of the context that can be lost in digital aggregation, and brings to life primary sources for students, writers, and educators.

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