## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE LECTURE

HOWARD DODSON served as Director of the Schomburg Center from 1984 to 2011. He was also Director of the Moorland Spingarn Research Center and Howard University Libraries

Under his leadership, the Schomburg Center developed into the world's most comprehensive public research library devoted exclusively to documenting and interpreting African Diasporan and African histories and cultures.

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He has authored ten books, including *Becoming American:* The African American Journey in 2009, and curated more than 25 exhibitions.

Dodson played a leading role in transforming New York's long lost African Burial Ground into a National Monument. He was also a member of the President's Commission on the National Museum of African American History and Culture.

Dodson resides in Newark.



