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ARCHITREATS: FOOD FOR THOUGHT PRESENTATION
THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN ALABAMA
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ArchiTreats: Food for Thought celebrates the *Year of Alabama History* through a series of sequential lectures in Alabama history by leading experts in the field. Join us at **noon** on **Thursday, October 15** as **Odessa Woolfolk** presents *The Civil Rights Movement in Alabama*. This presentation will be held at the Alabama Department of Archives and History.

Alabama, the ‘Cradle of the Confederacy,’ was the setting for many of the most nationally significant battles of the Civil Rights Movement. The events of that era were initiated by ordinary people with uncommon courage. This presentation will highlight the mass activism which occurred in local communities around the state, and the importance of leaders and footsoldiers.

Odessa Woolfolk grew up in Birmingham, Alabama. She received a BA in history from Talladega College and a MA in Urban Studies from Occidental College in California and she was a National Urban Fellow at Yale University. Her professional career includes high school and college teaching, as well as public administration in New York and Washington, D.C. She served in various capacities at the University of Alabama for over 20 years. She is the Founding President and Chairman Emeritus of the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute.

This ArchiTreats presentation is made possible by the Friends of the Alabama Archives and a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. The public is invited to bring a sack lunch and enjoy a bit of Alabama history. Coffee and tea will be provided by the Friends of the Alabama Archives. For more information, call (334) 353-4712.

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