



Germantown Mennonite Historic Trust presents

52 WEEKS OF FIRSTS FIRSTIVAL

FIRST PUBLIC PROTEST AGAINST SLAVERY IN AMERICA: 1688

Long before the Civil War, Philadelphians took a stand. Commemorate the bold 1688 petition by German Mennonites and Quakers, the first recorded public protest against slavery in America, and reflect on a legacy of conscience and courage.

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

11AM-1PM

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