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A Book Reading and Signing with

Judy Richardson

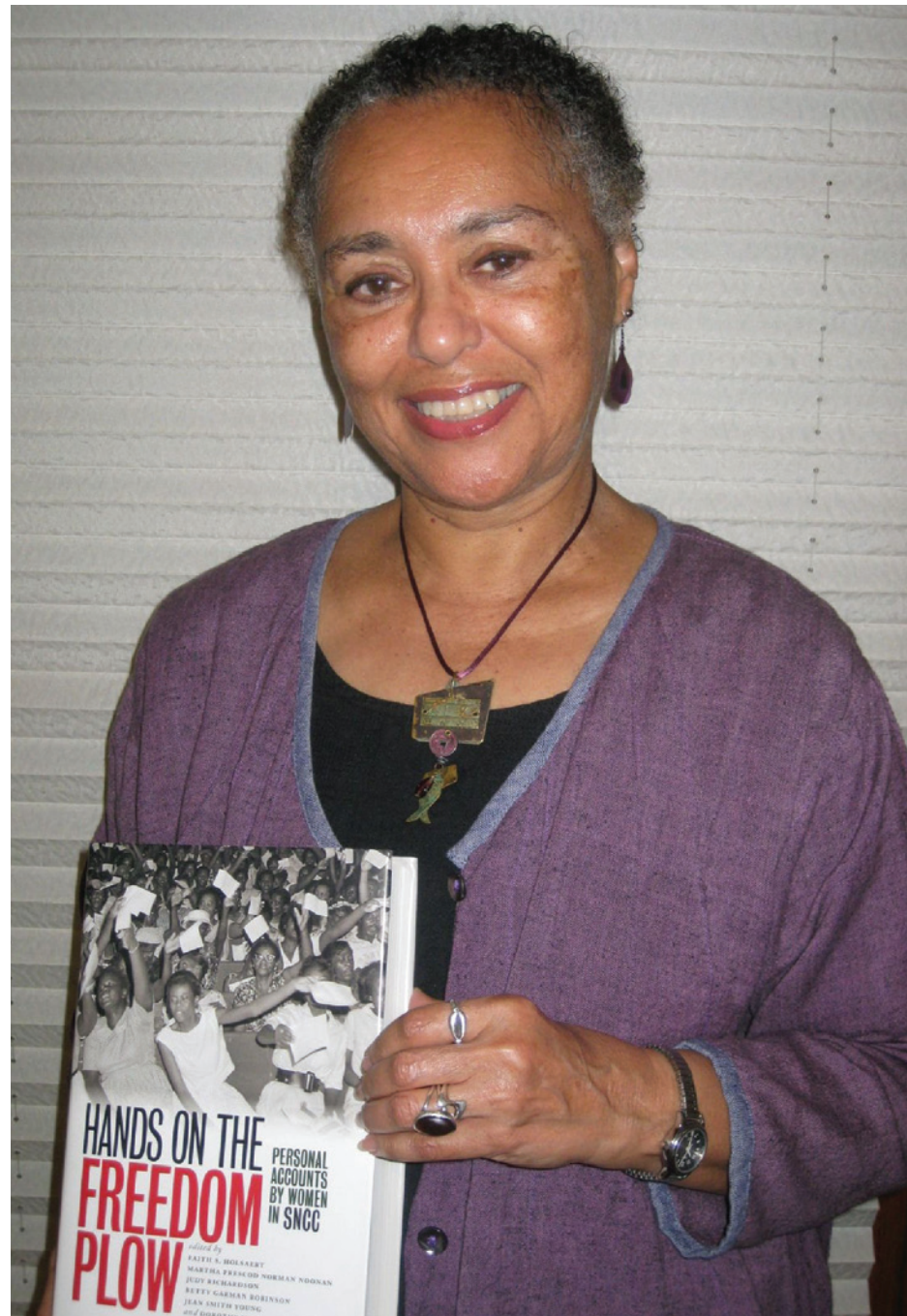
Hands on the Freedom Plow: Personal Accounts by Women in SNCC

Veteran of the Civil Rights Movement and a Field Secretary for SNCC, Judy Richardson, along with five other SNCC women, edited the anthology, *Hands on the Freedom Plow: the Personal Testimonials of Women in SNCC*. Fifty years after its founding, the book chronicles the courageous civil rights activism of over fifty women in the southern freedom movement during the early 1960s.

Judy is Series Associate Producer of the Academy Award-nominated *Eyes on the Prize*. Her most recent documentary with Northern Light Productions, *Scarred Justice*, (co-produced with Bestor Cram) aired on PBS in 2010. Of the film, Julian Bond said, “This masterful film casts a brilliant light on events shamefully obscured for decades.” The late Howard Zinn agrees, “This hidden piece of history has now been brought to light in a powerful, passionate documentary.” Besides *Scarred Justice*, Judy’s recent productions include the 2-hour History Channel film, *Slave Catchers, Slave Resisters* and the National Park Service’s *Little Rock Nine Visitor Center*.

Throughout her life she has worked for a number of social justice organizations and was director of information for the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice in New York, working on police brutality issues in New York City and Freedom Rides to the Alabama Black Belt to counter Reagan’s Justice Department intimidation of African American voters.

Judy’s writings have appeared in the academic journals *Social Education* and *Public Historian*. She lectures nationally and conducts professional development workshops for teachers — all focused on the Civil Rights Movement and its relevance to the issues we face today, fifty years after the first sit-ins.



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