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Robbin Gourley to Sign Book on African American Chef Edna Lewis

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Cookbook author and illustrator Robbin Gourley will sign copies of *Bring Me Some Apples and I'll Make You a Pie* on February 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the **2009 African American Trailblazers in Virginia History** celebration at the Library of Virginia. *Bring Me Some Apples* is a beautifully illustrated and written book recounting the childhood of chef Edna Lewis, one of Library's 2009 Trailblazer honorees. Lewis, who died in 2006, grew up in Freetown, an Orange County community that had been settled by emancipated African Americans. She learned to appreciate food by watching her mother prepare meals using home-grown fruits and vegetables. Lewis became an advocate for southern foodways traditions and fresh seasonal food.

Copies of *Bring Me Some Apples* are available from the Virginia Shop, 804-692-3524.

Reservations are required for the **2009 African American Trailblazers** program and reception.

Seating is limited. Call 804-692-3900 to reserve a space.

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