

**Allegheny Portage Railroad
National Historic Site**



Jarena Lee

Jarena Lee was the first female African Methodist Episcopal (AME) preacher and an early 19th century civil rights activist. Driven by faith and courage, she traveled thousands of miles by foot, wagon, and via the Allegheny Portage Railroad and Mainline Canal to attract members and financial support for new AME congregations.

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