

## INTRODUCTION

Creole Chronology is a compilation and arrangement of time highlighting the experiences, events, conditions, changes, frustrations, suppression, important quotations, and recognition, which all combine contributes to the evolution, perpetuation, and current existence of Louisiana's French Creole nation. Its main purpose is to substantiate the concept that Louisiana French Creoles and their descendants are indeed a distinctive ethnic group. In fact, for the most part, they are Hispanic by culture and by definition. Of course this connection has not heretofore been emphasized. However, realizing that miscegenation had such a 'profound impact upon this culture. Creole Chronology shall begin with a brief comment about the peopling of North Africa. By doing so, it can become undoubtedly clear that, color-wise, Louisiana French Creoles today, appear the same as did their ancestors of centuries upon centuries past, and can be described in like manner.

And once it has been taken into consideration, that every individual in today's world is a descendant of antiquity, it becomes apparent that Creole Chronology does not attempt to account for the lineage or origin of the numerous individuals that contributed to the making of French Creole culture. The accounting herein is limited to the formation and development of this unique culture, by people whose ancestry goes back beyond recorded history. And more than anything else the reader shall realize that the color of an individual's skin does not place that individual into a specific culture, nor does it removes him/her from specific culture. Culture has no color.

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