In 1997, Scott Williams (SUNY Buffalo) founded the website “Mathematicians of the African Diaspora,” which has since become widely known as the MAD Pages. Williams built the site over the course of 11 years, creating over 1,000 pages by himself as a personal labor of love. The site features more than 700 African Americans in mathematics, computer science, and physics as a way to showcase the intellectual prowess of those from the Diaspora.

Soon after Williams retired in 2008, Edray Goins (Pomona College), Donald King (Northeastern University), Asamoah Nkwanta (Morgan State University), and Weaver (Varsity Software) have been working since 2015 to update the Pages. Edray Goins led an REU of eight undergraduates during the summer of 2020 to write more biographies for the new MAD Pages.

In this talk, we discuss the results from Pomona Research in Mathematics Experience (PRiME), recalling some stories of the various biographies of previously unknown African American mathematical scientists, and reflecting on some of the challenges of running a math history REU. This project is funded by the National Science Foundation (DMS-1560394). (Received September 15, 2020)