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Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable 1740s - August 28, 1818

Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable was a pioneer who is best known for being the founder of Chicago.

- **Jean-Baptiste lived in the late 1700s and early 1800s when much of the United States was still unsettled.**
- **His mother was a Haitian slave, but his father was a French sea captain, so he was able to travel and learn many languages as a young man.**
- **Because Jean-Baptiste helped the patriots fight for freedom, he was arrested by the British during the Revolutionary war.**
- **Once he was freed, he started a successful fur trading post around the great lakes.**
- **The location where he did his trading would grow into a settlement now known as Chicago.**

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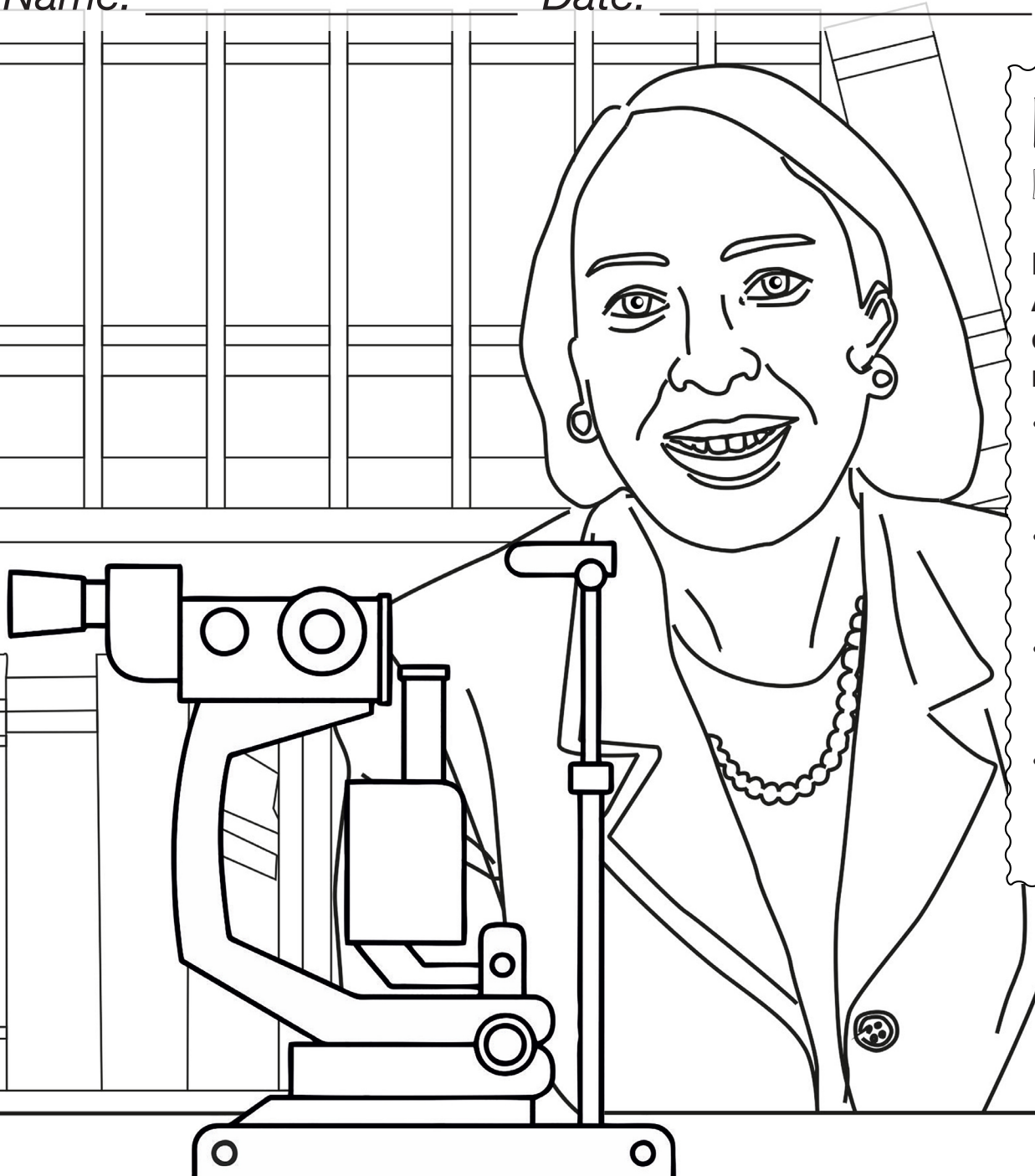


Maggie Lena Walker July 15, 1864 - December 15, 1934

Maggie Lena Walker was a teacher, businesswoman, and the first female to establish and run a bank.

- **Maggie's mother was formerly enslaved and she ran a laundry business, so at a young age Maggie learned to work hard.**
- **In the late 1880s, she worked as a teacher and became part of a group that helped Black people get medical treatment and bury their loved ones.**
- **She also ran a newspaper that helped African Americans know what was going on in their community.**
- **She founded Penny Savings Bank to encourage people to save money and take out loans. She also served as president of the bank.**

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Dr. Patricia Bath

November 4, 1942 - Present

Dr. Patricia Bath was the first African American woman to train as an eye doctor and receive a patent for a medical invention.

- **Dr. Bath became an eye doctor because she believes everyone has the right to sight.**
- **When she was a teenager, Dr. Bath studied cancer and made some important discoveries.**
- **Dr. Bath made a special surgery tool that used a laser to help some blind patients see again.**
- **Dr. Bath also opened a special institute to help more people receive eye care.**

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Daymond John February 23, 1969 - Present

Daymond John is an investor and businessman who made his fortune from FUBU, a hip-hop clothing line.

- **Daymond's mother taught him how to sew, allowing him to pursue his dream of creating his own clothing line for men.**
- **He first sold handmade hats and t-shirts on the street while also working at Red Lobster.**
- **Companies started requesting huge orders and when 27 banks turned him down for a loan his mother mortgaged her house and put an ad in the paper to help Daymond keep his business running.**
- **The FUBU brand made over \$6 billion in sales worldwide.**
- **Now Daymond helps other business men and women reach their dreams by investing in them through the TV show, *Shark Tank*.**