


JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

JUNETEENTH OR "FREEDOM DAY"
COMMEMORATES THE ENDING OF SLAVERY




Peace Queen
Melannie Denise
Cunningham



Rev. Dr. Leslie D. Braxton



Representative
Melanie Morgan



Governor
Jay Inslee

MARKING THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY **JUNETEENTH** IS
CELEBRATED AS AN OFFICIAL WASHINGTON STATE HOLIDAY!

11am-2pm, June 16, 2022
Tivoli Fountain
Capitol Campus, Olympia

The Black National Anthem: "Lift Every Voice and Sing"

By James Weldon Johnson (June 17, 1871 - June 26, 1938)

Originally written by Johnson for a presentation in celebration of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln. This was originally performed in Jacksonville, Florida, by children.

Black National Anthem

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears have been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the
slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, Our God, where we met Thee;
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand.
True to our GOD,
True to our native land

Illuminating Consciousness, A New Beginning



Program

Hosted by: BUILD

**MC's: Sascha Nixon, Chair, and
Tyrone Jordan-Oliver, Co-Chair**

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| 10:00am | Juneteenth Music Playlist
Music played by Tony Rice |
| 10:30am | African Drummers
Mshenga a Babu |
| 11:00am | Greetings/Opening Remarks
MC's |
| 11:05am | Recognition of Distinguished Guest & Sponsors
MC's |
| 11:15am | Singing of "Lift Every Voice and Sing"
(Black National Anthem)
Singer: LaSandra Jones |
| 11:20am | Introduction of Guest Speaker
MC's |
| 11:25am | Guest Speaker
Peace Queen Melannie Denise Cunningham |
| 11:35am | History of Juneteenth Presentations
Charleen Anderson & Megan Matthews |
| 11:45am | Introduction of Keynote Speaker
MC's |

- 11:50am Keynote Speaker
Rev. Dr. Leslie D. Braxton
- 12:10pm Spoken Word Presentation
Christian Paige
- 12:20pm Introduction of Guest Speaker
MC's
- 12:25pm Guest Speaker
Representative Melanie Morgan
- 12:40pm Introduction of Governor Jay Inslee
Marcus Glasper
- 12:45pm Juneteenth Remarks
Governor Jay Inslee
- 12:55pm Election Results and Closing Remarks
MC's
- 1:05pm Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony
Governor Jay Inslee and BUILD Leadership
Music played by Tony Rice
- 1:15pm Music, Mingle and Networking
"Soul Circle Dance"
BUILD Juneteenth Planning Committee
Musical Presentation
Michael Powers – Jazz Guitarist
Music Playlist – Tony Rice
- 2:00pm End of Program

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