



then we know that God still goes that road with us.

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DUPC Sunday Forum Series

May 2024

In Here, Out There, Around the World

Sundays, 9:45AM—Shaw Room

May 5 - Building Minds in South Sudan Update!

Sebastian Maroundit, BMISS co-Founder

Come hear where these villager-made bricks will be going ... and much more. Mayen Abun is thriving thanks to the work we have done there. Come hear about it and ask your questions.



May 12 - DUPC Church Finances

DUPC Finance Committee, Sam King, Chair



Our hard-working Finance Team members will provide some details about the current state of DUPC finances, and will respond to your questions, concerns, and suggestions.

May 19 - Rochester Celebrates Juneteenth

Josie McClary & Pastor Wanda Wilson, Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission

What does the Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission have planned for this year's celebration of Juneteenth? Come find out more about what is in store and how you can be involved.





THE GREATER ROCHESTER MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMISSION PRESENTS

A PRE - JUNETEENTH RALLY 2024

**FROM 1964 TO 2024: SIXTY YEARS IN THE FIGHT
FOR JUSTICE IN ROCHESTER**

SATURDAY JUNE 8TH, 2024

**MT. VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH PARKING LOT
351 JOSEPH AVE. ROCHESTER, NY 14605**

➔ GO TO:
ROCHESTERJUNETEENTH.COM
TO JOIN THE FESTIVITIES ON
JUNE 15TH AT MLK PARK
DOWNTOWN

**HEAR COMMUNITY LEADERS ADDRESS HOW THE ISSUES OF OUR
PAST AFFECT OUR PRESENT WITH A CALL TO ACTION FOR A BETTER
FUTURE.**

- 11AM Rally Starts with an Introduction from the Juneteenth Planning Committee
- 11:15AM Opening prayer, Pastor Cedric L. Cooper
- 11:30AM - 12:45PM Community leaders speak, including statements from the family of Min. Franklin Florence Sr. and Rev. Dr. Douglas Smith from F.I.G.H.T
- 12:50PM Cinnamon Jones and Antioch Baptist church Youth Choir
- 1PM Walk the path of the July '64 Uprising down Joseph Ave.
- 1:35PM Stop at Liberty Pole for a community photograph
- 1:40PM Walk to The Little Theater, 240 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14604
- 2PM Watch the films July '64 and Black Lives Matter: A Sanctuary for Daniel Prude
- 3:15PM shuttle service back to Mt. Vernon provided by vans from participating churches



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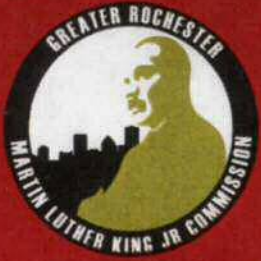
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Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission



2024 Rochester Juneteenth Festival



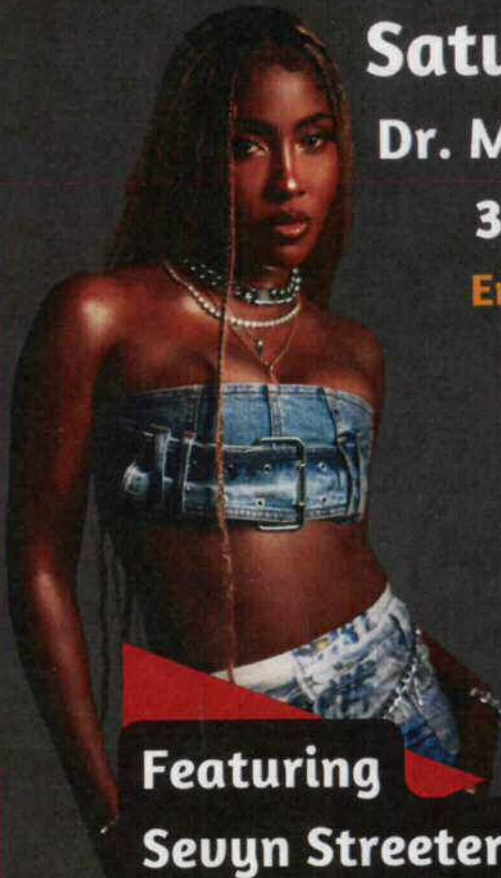
FROM 1964 TO 2024: 60 YEARS IN THE
FIGHT FOR JUSTICE IN ROCHESTER

Saturday, June 15 | 12PM- 8PM

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park

353 Court Street | Free Admission

Enjoy local performers, vendors, food & fun

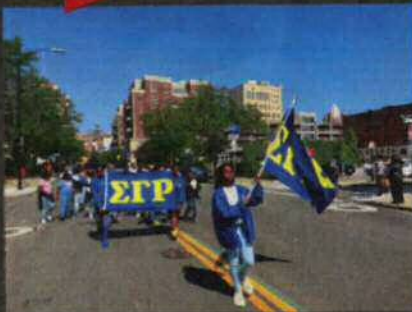


**Featuring
Sevyn Streeter**

**10am - 11am
Juneteenth
Parade
Chesnut &
Broad Streets**

**11am - 12pm
Elders Circle
12pm - 8pm
The Strong National
Museum of Play
FREE ENTRY**

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The Nguzo Saba

- **Umoja (oo-MO-jah): Unity. To strive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation and race.**

Unity stresses the importance of togetherness for the family and the community, which is reflected in the African saying, "I am We," or "I am because We are."

- **Kujichagulia (koo-jee-chah-GOO-lee-ah): Self-determination. To define ourselves, name ourselves, create for ourselves and speak for ourselves.**

Self-Determination requires that we define our common interests and make decisions that are in the best interest of our family and community.

- **Ujima (oo-JEE-mah): Collective Work and Responsibility. To build and maintain our community together and to make our Brother's and sister's problems, our problems and to solve them together.**

Collective Work and Responsibility reminds us of our obligation to the past, present and future, and that we have a role to play in the community, society, and world.

- **Ujamaa (oo-jah-MAH-ah): Cooperative Economics. To build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and to profit from them together.**

Cooperative economics emphasizes our collective economic strength and encourages us to meet common needs through mutual support.

- **Nia (NEE-ah): Purpose. To make as our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.**

Purpose encourages us to look within ourselves and to set personal goals that are beneficial to the community.

- **Kuumba (koo-OOM-bah): Creativity. To do always as much as we can, in the way that we can, in order to leave our community more beautiful than when we inherited it.**

Creativity makes use of our creative energies to build and maintain a strong and vibrant community.

- **Imani (ee-MAH-nee): Faith. To believe with all our hearts in our parents, our teachers, our leaders, our people and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.**

Faith focuses on honoring the best of our traditions, draws upon the best in ourselves, and helps us strive for a higher level of life for humankind, by affirming our self-worth and confidence in our ability to succeed and triumph in righteous struggle

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Song by J. Rosamond Johnson and James Weldon Johnson, 1900

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 has 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
Our native land



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From 1964 to 2024: Sixty Years in the Fight For Justice in Rochester!



Dear Community Partner,

For the past decade, the Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission has been the lead host for the annual Rochester Juneteenth Festival along with various community partners. Juneteenth is now a federally recognized holiday, and the committee is looking to always grow its list of amazing community partners to further amplify the commemorative celebration.

The '23 Juneteenth Festival committee was able to partner with the City of Rochester, County of Monroe, Rochester International Jazz Festival, The Black Agenda Group, the Strong Museum of Play, Molina Healthcare, SEIU 1199, the Urban League of Rochester, Action for a Better Community, and volunteers to put on a successful day of celebration for over 4,000 attendees.

The festivities include but not limited to:

- Juneteenth Parade
- Local and National Artists and Entertainment
- The Strong Museum of Play (Free Admission)
- Elders' Circle Tribute
- Youth Black Scholars Recognition
- Garth Fagan Dance Company
- Teen Empowerment Youth Poets
- Wamba African Drumming Group
- ROC Freedom Riders
- Vendors and Community Resources

In 2024, the Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, Juneteenth Committee seeks to continue expanding the existing activities by highlighting the '64 Rochester Uprising to provide historical education about the three days of unrest and the opportunity to contribute to the future state of what justice looks like in our community. This event will be held on June 8, 2024, at the Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church, 351 Joseph Avenue from 11-1 pm.

To build on the foundation of the festival, the committee is working to secure sponsors. We would love you to partner with us by becoming a community sponsor. Please review the sponsorship levels and incentives on the next page. If interested, click on the link:

<https://form.jotform.com/240744552868163>

Thank you for your consideration in contributing to support another family fun filled Juneteenth Festival. Please feel free to contact Donald Hunter at grmlkjuneteenthsponsor@gmail.com with any questions.

Respectfully,
Commissioner Cherri Hawkins, '24 Rochester Juneteenth Coordinator



Rochester Juneteenth Festival 2024

Saturday, June 15, 2024

The Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission is a 501c(3) and will provide you with a tax credit letter upon your sponsorship donation.

Please fill out and return the Sponsorship Level Pledge Card.

Checks and Money Orders can be made to the order of:
Greater Rochester Martin Luther King Jr. Commission
P.O. Box 22812
Rochester, NY 14692

Sponsorship Levels

Freedom Level - \$10,000

This sponsorship level will include 6 VIP Tickets, Specialized Parking for 2 vehicles, Gold Marketing, a Corporate Parade Entry Slot, and 6 Souvenir Packages.

Liberation Level - \$5,000

This sponsorship level will include 4 VIP Tickets, Gold Marketing, a Corporate Parade Entry Slot, and 4 Souvenir Packages.

Emancipation Level - \$2,000

This sponsorship level will include 3 VIP Tickets, Silver Marketing, a Community Parade Entry Slot, and 3 Souvenir Packages.

Jubilee Level - \$1,000

This sponsorship level will include 2 VIP Tickets, Silver Marketing, a Community Parade Entry Slot, and 2 Souvenir Packages.

VIP Tickets

- ☐ VIP Reception Lounge Access (MLK Jr. Lodge) 11am-8pm
- ☐ Catered Dinner in VIP Lounge 1pm-3pm
- ☐ Access to VIP Section for Live Entertainment
- ☐ Complimentary refreshments from 11am-6:30pm

Marketing Levels

- ☐ Gold: Name (Logo) on all printed event marketing materials & Verbal mention on stage throughout Festival
- ☐ Silver: Name (Logo) on printed event marketing materials

Parade Entry Slot

- ☐ Community: Float/vehicle and walking group slot fee waived

Souvenir Package

- Juneteenth Memorabilia