



EMANCIPATION CELEBRATION

June 20, 2022, marks the first year that Juneteenth will be celebrated as a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African-Americans. Originating on the sands of Galveston, Texas, Juneteenth has been acknowledge annually on June 19th, since 1865. This monumental day of history was signed into law as the Juneteenth National Independence Day Federal Holiday on June 17, 2021, by President Joe Biden.

On **Friday, June 17, 2022** the Nia Cultural Center will host the Emancipation Celebration, celebrating the legacy of Juneteenth at the Grand Oprah House located at 2020 Post Office Street in Galveston. This event will honor pioneers on the national and local level who have made their mark in history by fighting for freedom, equality, and justice for African Americans. This recognition will be highlighted with awards, guest speakers and live entertainment from local, regional, and national talent.

This signature event will kick off a weekend of activities leading up to commemoration of Juneteenth. The Emancipation Celebration will invite locals and visitors across the United States to make their trek to Galveston, Texas for events including the annual Parade, Festival, Emancipation March and much more!

We invite you to support the celebration of Juneteenth by contributing financially to this exciting event. Please review the sponsorship levels and help us pay homage to our legacy.

