

# Government of the District of Columbia

Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia



Stephanie D. Scott, Ph.D.  
Secretary of the District of Columbia

July 31, 2007

Vincent C. Gray, Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Gray,

Attached please find my report on expenses for the District's celebrations of DC Emancipation Day, 2007. This report is required by DC Code Title 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter VI, § 1-183(c).

The report is a summary explanation of all contributions (\$1,495.00) and expenditures (\$126,628.25) for the week's worth of activities. Expenditures are divided into three sections: the Emancipation Week Lecture Series, the Community Awards Reception, and the Emancipation Day Parade/Voting Rights March.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Stephanie D. Scott". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Stephanie D. Scott

cc: Mayor Adrian M. Fenty  
All Councilmembers  
Office of Financial Resource Management

**District of Columbia Emancipation Day - April 16, 2007**  
**Report of the Secretary of the District of Columbia**

DC Code Title 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter VI, § 1-183(c) states:

By August 1st of each year, the Secretary of the District of Columbia shall submit a report to the Council that shall include a specific accounting of the expenditure of money in the Fund and any remaining balance. The report shall include:

- (1) The name of any donors or list of anonymous contributions;
- (2) The amount of each contribution;
- (3) A description of any donated property;
- (4) A description of the use of monies for presenting the Emancipation Day Parade; and
- (5) Costs of parade-related programs, activities, and functions for which the money have been expended.

Further, DC Code Title 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter VI, § 1-183(a) states:  
For the purposes of this subchapter, the term:

- (1) "Emancipation Day Parade" means the parade, and associated activities, held to celebrate and commemorate District of Columbia Emancipation Day.
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## **I: DONATIONS**

Due to the generous budget for Emancipation Day 2007, we did not solicit many donations this year. We requested and received permission through the Office of Partnerships and Grant Development (see Appendix A) to solicit donations of hotel rooms, so we could offer our guests quality accommodations without spending appropriated funds.

### **Hotel Rooms:**

**Capitol Hill Suites Hotel**, 200 C Street SE, Washington, DC 20003 (202) 543-6000 provided two hotel rooms as an in-kind contribution, which the hotel reported as **valued at \$1,495.00**. The rooms were used by awardees John Hope Franklin and Lerone Bennett, who came to receive DC Emancipation Day awards.

## II. EXPENSES

The 2007 DC Emancipation Day Celebration expenses are reported here in three sections: the Emancipation Week Lecture Series, the Community Awards Reception, and the Emancipation Day Parade/Voting Rights March.

### Emancipation Week Lecture Series:

Twelve events were held over the course of seven days, in six of the eight wards. The expenses for the lecture series were mainly in the form of honoraria to speakers, poets and musicians, and venues for the use of their space; all expenses for the lecture series are detailed in the table on the next page. The events were:

- **Ecumenical Forum: Celebrating Emancipation in the Struggle for Voting Rights** at the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church, 1701 15th Street, NW (Ward 2) on Monday, April 9, 2007.
- **Washingtonians in the Struggle for Emancipation** at Provisions Library, 1611 Connecticut Avenue NW (Ward 2) on Tuesday, April 10, 2007.
- **"Historical Events in the Struggle for Emancipation"** at University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW (Ward 3) on Tuesday, April 10, 2007.
- **"Emancipation and Political Oppression"** at the Recorder of Deeds Building, 515 D Street NW (Ward 6) on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.
- **"Slavery and Emancipation in the District of Columbia"** at Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, 901 G Street NW (Ward 2) on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.
- **"Conducting Genealogical Research on 19th Century Records"** at THEARC - 1901 Mississippi Avenue, SE (Ward 8) on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.
- **Book Signing of "Legacy: Treasures of Black History"** at Bethune Archives and Museum - 1318 Vermont Ave. NW (Ward 2) on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.
- **"Freedom Songs Concert"** at Capital View Baptist Church - 5201 Ames Street, NE (Ward 7) on Wednesday, April 11, 2007.
- **A Historical Perspective of Slavery, Emancipation, and Voting Rights in District of Columbia** at the National Archives, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW (Ward 2) on Thursday, April 12, 2007.
- **Friends of DC Emancipation Day's "Wreath Laying Ceremony"** at Lincoln Park, East Capital Street NE (Ward 6) on Saturday, April 14, 2007.
- **"Celebrating Emancipation through Music, Words, & Images"** at the Historical Society and the National Music Center, 801 K Street NW (Ward 2) on Sunday, April 15, 2007.
- **"An Interpretation of Emancipation through Poetry & Prose"** at Busboys and Poets, 1390 V Street NW (Ward 1) on Sunday, April 15, 2007.



EXPENSES FOR EMANCIPATION WEEK LECTURE SERIES		
PAYEE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
15th Street Presbyterian Church	Use of space 4/9/07	\$ 500.00
Brett Cave	Speaker's stipend 4/9/07	\$ 400.00
Carroll R. Gibbs	Speaker's stipend 4/9-11/07	\$ 500.00
Jefferson Morley	Speaker's stipend 4/10/07	\$ 500.00
Patricia Harvey	Speaker's stipend 4/10/07	\$ 400.00
Dale Lyons	Speaker's stipend 4/10/07	\$ 500.00
Building Bridges Across the River at THEARC	Use of space 4/11/07	\$ 500.00
Lerone Bennett	Speaker's stipend 4/11/07	\$ 1,000.00
Melvin Miles, Sr.	Musician's stipend 4/11/07	\$ 400.00
G. D. Smith	Speaker's stipend 4/11/07	\$ 500.00
Willard Hutt	Speaker's stipend 4/12/07	\$ 300.00
Palace Florists	Wreath for wreath laying 4/14/07	\$ 165.95
Derrick Weston Brown	Speaker's stipend 4/15/07	\$ 200.00
Holly Bass	Speaker's stipend 4/15/07	\$ 200.00
TOTAL		\$ 6,065.95

### Community Awards Reception:

This year we combined the annual awards reception with a free community cook-out and concert, held on the grounds of the Lincoln Cottage at the Armed Forces Retirement Home, in Ward 5. The community cookout included food, tents, and restroom facilities for 400 people. Generators and sound equipment were rented for the free-to-the-public concert by Chuck Brown, who was also paid a stipend for his performance.

Award certificates were given to:

- Lerone Bennett and Dr. John Hope Franklin, two eminent historians who have contributed to the national discussions of emancipation and DC history;
- Dr. Josephine Pacheco, a local historian and author who wrote a book on the Pearl incident involving enslaved people attempting to escape in Washington, DC; and
- Donna Wells, a local research librarian who co-edited the book *Legacy: Treasures of Black History*.

EXPENSES FOR DC EMANCIPATION DAY COMMUNITY AWARDS RECEPTION		
PAYEE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Events By Worrell	Tents, tables, linens, popcorn, clown	\$ 22,730.81
Brendah Hugh	Food	\$ 2,000.00
Brookland Restaurant LLC	Food	\$ 2,000.00
BAC 10, LLC / Rita's Water Ice	Food and servers	\$ 2,000.00
Gist Family Catering	Food and buffet setup	\$ 6,815.00
TSC Wings LLC/Wing Over Washington	Food	\$ 2,180.00
Ejay's Environmental Services	Mobile restrooms	\$ 415.00
United Airlines	Airfare for Lerone Bennett	\$ 538.79
CheapTickets	Fee for L. Bennett Ticket	\$ 4.99
American Airlines	Airfare for John Hope Franklin	\$ 498.80
Sunbelt Rental	Generator and delivery	\$ 439.39
Full Circle Entertainment	Chuck Brown	\$ 7,500.00
Smoot Sound Company	Sound	\$ 2,000.00
East of the River Boys & Girls Club Steel Drum Band	Music	\$ 1,000.00
Capitol Entertainment Services	Bus service for All-city Marching Band	\$ 360.00
TOTAL		\$ 50,482.78

The total cost of the Community Awards Reception was \$50,482.78, with the largest portion being the cost of renting tents, tables, chairs, staging, and other associated infrastructure items. All vendors are either certified LSDBE companies that were contracted through the normal procurement process, or individual Ward 5 based businesses, which, although not registered as LSDBEs, are community-based businesses from the ward in which the event took place. Airfare for two award recipients was purchased online, and was the least expensive available.

### **Emancipation Day Parade / Voting Rights March:**

The heart of the 2007 DC Emancipation Day celebration was the Voting Rights March staged in place of the previously held marching band parade. The Voting Rights March was designed to draw attention to the fact that, although enslaved residents of the District were the "First Freed," the promises made on Emancipation Day in 1862 have yet to be fully realized. That is, District residents are continually treated as second class citizens by the United States Congress.

At the time Mayor Fenty was inaugurated, in January 2007, hopes were high for the future of DC Voting Rights in Congress, as they remain. To capitalize on the moment in which a newly Democratic Congress was in position to vote in favor of Voting Rights for DC, Mayor Fenty recognized that DC Emancipation Day was a perfect match for the current



struggle for independence. The 145<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the DC Compensated Emancipation Act would be marked with a march that drew upon the history of Washington, DC as the National Capital and traditional location of Civil Rights marches, and as the home of those "First Freed" by the federal government who celebrated their Emancipation in the streets of DC.

This event was a wonderful opportunity to work with the Council and DC agencies to rally District citizens to join the struggle.

Instrumental in the planning for the DC Emancipation Day Voting Rights March was DC Vote, which spent innumerable hours with its partners on raising awareness of the March. I thank all of the organizations DC Vote brought to this effort, who worked directly with DC Vote, not directly with the Office of the Secretary:

- Leadership Conference on Civil Rights
- Common Cause
- People for the American Way
- Akridge
- Alliance for Justice
- American Jewish Committee
- Americans for Democratic Action
- Anacostia Coordinating Council
- Baltimore Washington Laborers' District Council
- Ben's Chili Bowl
- Bernstein Management Corporation
- BillboardConnection
- Busboys and Poets
- City Living Source
- Coalition for Black Trade Unionists
- Coalition to Stop Gun Violence
- Comcast
- DC Appleseed
- DC Chamber of Commerce
- DC Democratic State Committee
- DC for Democracy
- DC Million Mom March Chapter
- DC GOP
- dcist
- Fair Vote
- Forest City Washington
- Greater Washington Urban League
- Gertrude Stein Democratic Club
- Jenner & Block
- League of Women Voters
- The Meltzer Group
- Metropolitan Washington Council AFL-CIO
- Moveon.org
- NAACP
- National Council of Jewish Women
- National Education Association
- Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington
- Public Citizen
- ROOT
- SEIU
- Trellis Fund
- TVOne
- Twenty-First Century Democrats
- WTU
- Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations
- Verizon
- Ward 3 Democratic Committee
- Woman's National Democratic Club
- YWCA of the National Capital Area

Because of all the outreach work done by DC Vote and its partners and sponsors, the majority of the expenses paid through this office – detailed below by vendor – covered the infrastructure, staging, and information needs for DC Emancipation Day. All services other than newspaper advertising were obtained through the normal procurement process.

- \$14,824.92 for tents, sound, mobile restrooms, and the banner for the marchers;
- \$18,230.00 for printing flyers, posters, program books, and brochures, which covered the entire week's activities leading up to an including the DC Emancipation Day Voting Rights March (see Appendix B);
- \$ 21,128.60 for advertising and banners, including full and half page ads in six newspapers, and banners for the front of the John A. Wilson Building and 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street NW;
- \$3,500.00 for music;
- \$2,921.00 for services for disabled and elderly people, including sign language interpreters and bus transportation;
- \$9,475.00 for the DC Office of Cable Television to create a 15 minute documentary about DC Emancipation Day which we will provide to community groups, schools, churches, libraries, and DC agencies to help educate the public about our history.

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**EXPENSES FOR DC EMANCIPATION DAY PARADE/VOTING RIGHTS MARCH**

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PAYEE	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Metropolitan Office Solutions	Rental of 400 folding chairs	\$ 1,400.00
Events by Worrell	Tents, staging @ Wilson Bldg	\$ 3,751.92
Ejay's Environmental Services	Mobile restrooms	\$ 1,125.00
MTW Distributors, Inc.	Bottled water	\$ 1,155.00
RCM Productions	Sound and DJ	\$ 6,409.00
Cenarios Strategic MKT CRT	Design & Printing of Literature	\$ 16,750.00
Jarboe Printing	Copies of flyers	\$ 1,480.00
Gelberg Signs	3 Banners for Wilson Bldg , 441, & March	\$ 1,606.00
Urban Nation, Inc.	Music	\$ 3,500.00
Afro-American Newspaper	Half page of the March flyer, Color	\$ 2,032.50
The Washington Informer	Half page of the March flyer, Color	\$ 1,160.00
The Washington Times LLC	Half page full color of the Event flyer	\$ 3,783.95
Washington City Paper	Full page March flyer color	\$ 2,430.15
The Washington Post	Full page March flyer color in DC Extra	\$ 3,300.00
The Washington Post	Full page March flyer color in the Express	\$ 7,800.00
DC Dept of Parks & Recreation	Bus Drivers for April 16	\$ 1,134.00
DC Office on Aging	Bus Drivers for April 16	\$ 627.00
DC Office of Cable Television & Telecommunications	Educational video plus 200 copies	\$ 9,475.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 70,079.52</b>

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### III. SUMMARY

The total spent for the week of DC Emancipation Day was \$126,628.25. This leaves a remainder of \$273,371.75 that was budgeted for 2007, but not spent.

Because the legislation that established DC Emancipation Day specifically forbids any remaining funds from returning to the General Fund, and permits the funds to be spent only for DC Emancipation Day activities, I anticipate that this total will be moved to the newly created Emancipation Day Activities program of the Office of the Secretary budget, and available for use going forward.



## APPENDIX A

### Donation Solicitation Approval

DONATION\_E-Day\_Hotel\_Rooms.txt

From: Pozen, Thorn (OAG) [Thorn.Pozen@dc.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 5:50 PM  
To: Reba, Lee Brian (EOM); Barnes, Lafayette (EOM)  
Cc: Scott, Stephanie (EOM)  
Subject: RE: DONATION: E-Day / Hotel Rooms

If these are the entities to be included as the potential donors in the request for donations application from the Office of the Secretary, then to the extent the prospective donors are in full compliance with Section 4 of the application, pursuant to my previous e-mail on the subject, the application would now appear to be legally sufficient.

Thorn

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From: Reba, Lee Brian (EOM) [mailto:leebrian.reba@dc.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2007 4:40 PM  
To: Barnes, Lafayette (EOM)  
Cc: Pozen, Thorn (OAG); Scott, Stephanie (EOM)  
Subject: DONATION: E-Day / Hotel Rooms

Lafayette:

Per my eMail below, the following hotels responded to the Hotel Association regarding our inquiry about hosting Historians John Hope Franklin and Lerone Bennett. Can we accept donations from either of these hotels? It would be great to have an answer by tomorrow so the hotels can proceed, thanks.

OPTION 1:

Capitol Hill Suites

200 C Street, SE

[www.thecapitolhillsuites.com](http://www.thecapitolhillsuites.com)

Complimentary Room and Breakfast

OPTION 2:

Hotel Lombardy

21st & Pennsylvania Ave NW

<http://www.hotellombardy.com/>

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Owners are RB Properties, Inc.

Room discounted at \$125, approx 50% off

Thank you, LBR.

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From: Liz DeBarros (HAWDC) [mailto:elizabeth@hawdc.com]  
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2007 9:10 AM  
To: Reba, Lee Brian (EOM)  
Cc: 'Emily Durso'  
Subject: RE: REQUEST: Hotel Rooms

Lee Brian,

Thanks!! Nice to hear from you! I will work on this request with Emily and get back to you on Wednesday.

Best,

Liz

(202) 289-6016

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From: Reba, Lee Brian (EOM) [mailto:leebrian.reba@dc.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2007 6:12 PM  
To: emily@hawdc.com  
Cc: angela@hawdc.com  
Subject: REQUEST: Hotel Rooms  
Importance: High

Emily:

I tried reaching you earlier this afternoon. I am currently obtaining / gathering information for DC Emancipation Day. What is the possibility of obtaining hotel rooms for the following - these individuals will be coming into town to join Mayor Fenty for the celebration.



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WHO: John Hope Franklin and Lerone Bennett (emanate historians)

WHEN: April 12 until April 15 (TBD)

I thank you in advance for your assistance and community mindedness. When you have a moment, please advise. Much appreciated.

Best, Lee Brian

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Lee Brian Reba

Special Assistant for Operations

Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia

Executive Office of the Mayor

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1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

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"Working to Help Mayor Adrian M. Fenty End Taxation without Representation in Our Nation's Capital"

## APPENDIX B

Copies of all Printed Materials

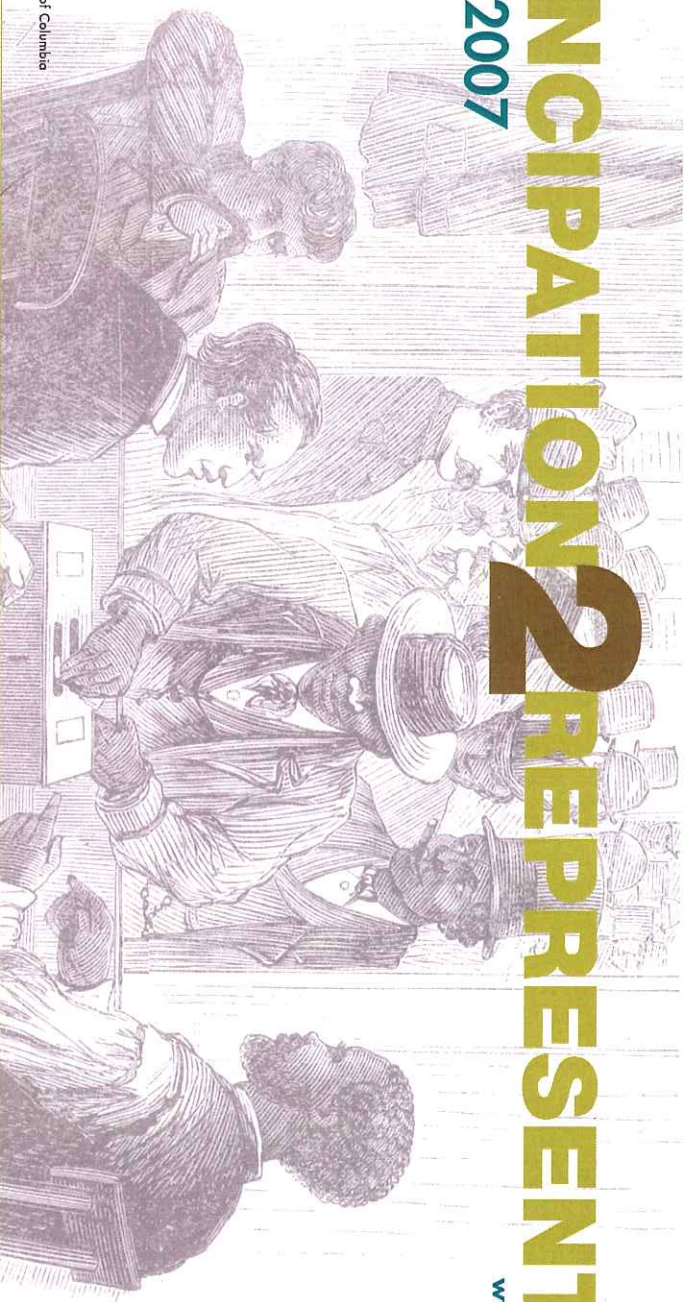
# EMANCIPATION 2 REPRESENTATION

April 16, 2007

[www.dc.gov/emancipationday](http://www.dc.gov/emancipationday)



Government of the District of Columbia  
Adrian M. Fenty, Mayor



District of Columbia, 1867

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## MONDAY, APRIL 9

10:00 a.m. Mayor's Press Conference

Location: The Anacostia Museum, 1901 Fort Place, SE

7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Forum:

Celebrating Emancipation in the Struggle for Voting Rights  
Location: The Fifth Street Presbyterian Church, 1701 15th Street, NW

## TUESDAY, APRIL 10

6:30 p.m. Washingtonians in the Struggle for Emancipation

[In conjunction with "Who is a Washingtonian Forum"]

Location: Provisions Library, 1611 Connecticut Avenue, NW, 2nd Floor

Organizer: The Humanities Council of Washington, DC

7:00 p.m. Historical Events in the Struggle for Emancipation

Location: University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW, Building 44, Room A03

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

12:00 noon Emancipation and Political Oppression

Location: The Recorder of Deeds Building, 515 O Street NW  
Organizer: Larry Todd, Recorder of Deeds

6:30 p.m. Slavery and Emancipation in the District of Columbia

Location: The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street NW  
Organizer: Martin Luther King Library

7:00 p.m. Conducting Genealogical Research on 19th Century Records

Location: THEAC (The Arc) 1901 Mississippi Avenue, SE  
Organizer: The Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society

7:00 p.m. Emancipation Day Freedom Songs Concert

Location: Capital View Baptist Church, 5201 Ames Street, NE  
Organizer: Dr. John Fowler, Pastor

## THURSDAY, APRIL 12

7:00 p.m. A Historical Perspective of Slavery

Location: The National Archives, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Organizer: The National Museum of African-American History & Culture  
Special guest: Mr. Leonne Bennett

7:00 p.m. Emancipation Day Book Signing Program

Location: Bethune Archives and Museum, 1318 Vermont Ave. NW  
Legacy: Treasures of Black History by Author's Home

## SATURDAY, APRIL 14

10:00 a.m. Wreath Laying Ceremony

Location: Lincoln Park, East Capitol Street between 11th and 13th Streets, NE  
Organizer: Friends of DC Emancipation Day, Lorretta Carter Hones

10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Debut of a free cellphone walking tour of the African American history of Lafayette Square

Location: Stephen Decatur House Museum, 1610 H Street, NW  
Self-guided tour narrated by former Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Roger West.  
Pick up a map and tour information at the museum.

2:00 p.m. Emancipation Day Community Awards Reception

Location: Anderson Cottage at the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Rock Creek Church Rd & Upshur St, NW  
Honorees:  
■ Dr. John Hope Franklin, James B. Duke Professor Emeritus of History  
■ Mr. Leonne Bennett, Historian, Executive Editor Emeritus, Johnson Publishing Co.  
■ Ms. Donna Webb, Prints and Photographs Librarian  
■ Dr. Josephine F. Poole, Historian

## SUNDAY, APRIL 15

2:00 p.m. Celebrating Emancipation through Music, Words, & Images

Location: The Historical Society and the National Music Center, 801 K Street NW  
Organizer: Dr. W. Kwanji Shor, Professor, Bowie State University & Mr. Dales Lyons, Student, University of the District of Columbia

7:00 p.m. An Interpretation of Emancipation through Poetry & Prose

Location: Bostons and Poets, 14th and V Streets NW  
Organizer: The Historical Society and the National Music Center

## MONDAY, APRIL 16

2:30 p.m. Voting Rights March on DC Emancipation Day

Location: Rally/march starts at 2:30 pm at the Freedom Plaza on Pennsylvania Avenue, NW and continues to the Capitol Reflecting Pool at 3rd Street, NW.  
Expected marches include:  
■ Mayor Adrian M. Fenty  
■ Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton  
■ Members of the District of Columbia Council  
■ Congressman Tom Davis

4:00 p.m. Voting Rights Rally at the Capitol Reflecting Pool

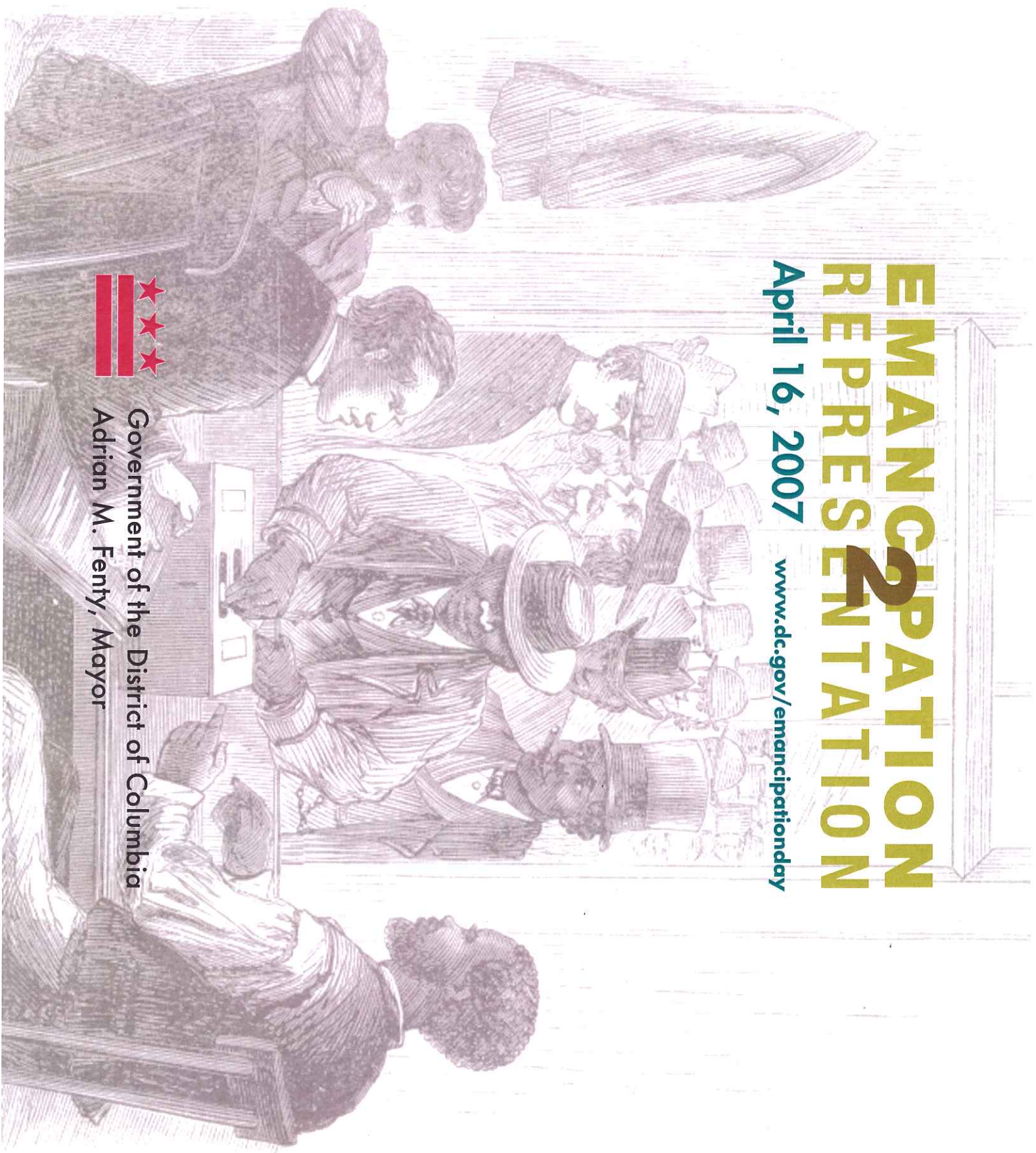
Location: National Mall at 3rd Street NW  
■ Largest Voting Rights Rally in DC History



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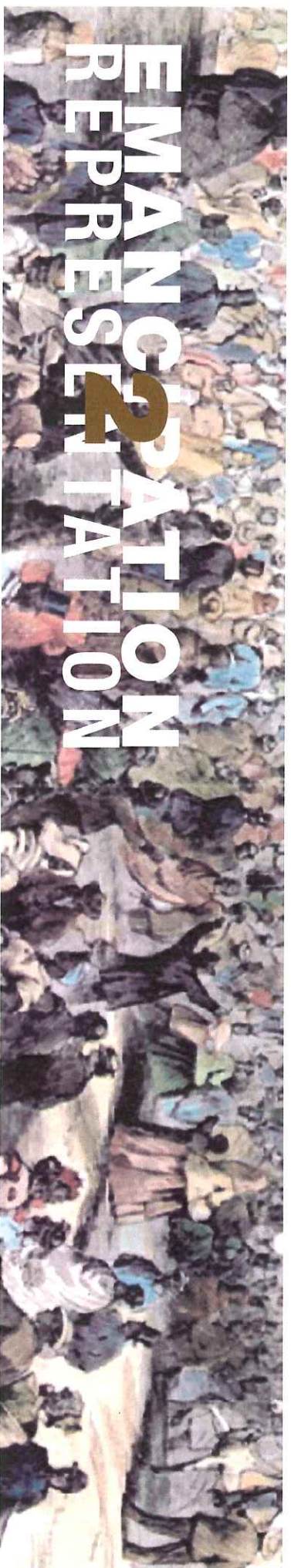
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## MONDAY, APRIL 9

10:00 a.m. Press Conference with Mayor Adrian M. Fenty to kick off Emancipation Celebration Week.

### Celebration Week.

**Location:** The Anacostia Museum, 1901 Fort Place, SE

7:00 p.m.

**Ecumenical Forum:** Celebrating Emancipation in the Struggle for Voting Rights

**Location:** The Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church, 1701 15th Street, NW

■ The Role of the African-American Church in the Struggle for Emancipation

■ The Rev. John C. Cook and the Abolitionist movement in the District of Columbia

■ Developing an Ecumenical Agenda in the Struggle for the District of Columbia Vote

## TUESDAY, APRIL 10

6:30 p.m. **Washingtonians in the Struggle for Emancipation** [in conjunction with "Who is a Washingtonian Forum?"]

**Location:** Provisions Library, 1611 Connecticut Avenue, NW, 2nd Floor

**Organizer:** The Humanities Council of DC

■ Washingtonians in the Civil Rights Movement

■ Washingtonians in the March on Washington

■ Washingtonians and Congressional Representation

7:00 p.m. **Historical Events in the Struggle for Emancipation**

**Location:** University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW, Building 44, Room A03.

■ The Snow Riot of 1835 — Jefferson Morley — Reporter/Researcher

■ The Pearl Riot of 1848 — Josephine E. Pacheco — Professor Emeritus

■ Slavery and the Slave Trade in the Chesapeake Region — Dr. Roger Davidson

■ The District of Columbia's Black Civil War Regiment — C.R. Gibbs, Historian

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

12:00 noon **Emancipation and Political Oppression**

**Location:** The Recorder of Deeds Building, 515 D Street NW

**Organizer:** Larry Todd, Recorder of Deeds

■ The Struggle for Emancipation and the Triumph over Slavery

■ Emancipation, Jim Crow, and the Civil Rights Movement

■ The DC Vote and the Struggle for Congressional Representation

6:30 p.m. **Slavery and Emancipation in the District of Columbia**

**Location:** The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street NW

**Organizer:** Martin Luther King Library

■ Escape on the Pearl: The Heroic Bid for Freedom on the Underground Railroad

■ The Saga of Mary and Emily Edmonson

■ The Pearl Affair and Riot of 1848

■ Conducting Genealogical Research on 19th Century Records

**Location:** THEARC (The Arc) 1901 Mississippi Avenue, SE

**Organizer:** The Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society

■ Conducting Genealogical Research on African Americans

■ Using Slave and Emancipation Era Records

■ Using Records in the National Archives

■ Using Records in the District of Columbia Archives

■ African-American Genealogy and DNA Research

■ Tracing your African-American Heritage Back to Africa and other Counties around the World

7:00 p.m.

**Emancipation Day Freedom Songs Concert**

**Location:** Capital View Baptist Church, 5201 Annes Street, NE

**Organizer:** Dr. John Fowler, Pastor

■ Howard University Choir

■ Berean Baptist Church

■ Dunbar High School Gospel Choir

■ Roosevelt High School Gospel Choir

## THURSDAY, APRIL 12

7:00 p.m. **A Historical Perspective of Slavery**

**Location:** The National Archives, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW

**Organizer:** The National Museum of African-American History & Culture

**Special guest:** Mr. Lerone Bennett

■ The Abolitionist Movement in the District of Columbia

■ The District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act of 1862

■ Voting Rights a Quest for Congressional Representation

7:00 p.m.

**Emancipation Day Book Signing Program**

**Location:** Beahune Archives and Museum, 1318 Vermont Ave. NW

**Book:** *Legacies: Treasures of Black History* edited by Thomas C. Battle & Donna M. Wells

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**Location:** Busboys and Poets, 1390 V Street NW

■ Slavery and the Abolitionist Movement in the District of Columbia

■ The Institution of Slavery in the District of Columbia

■ The District of Columbia Vote and the Struggle for Congressional Representation

■ The District of Columbia Vote and the Call for Community Activism

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■ Using Records in the National Archives

■ Using Records in the District of Columbia Archives

■ African-American Genealogy and DNA Research

■ Tracing your African-American Heritage Back to Africa and other Counties around the World

2:00 p.m.

**Emancipation Day Community Awards Reception**

**Location:** Anderson Cottage of the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Rock Creek Church Rd & Upshur St, NW

■ Pick up a map and tour information at the museum

■ Self-guided tour narrated by former Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, Togo West

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## MONDAY, APRIL 16—DC EMANCIPATION DAY

2:30 p.m.

**Voting Rights March**

**Location:** John A. Wilson Building, 14th Street & Pennsylvania Ave NW, with march down Pennsylvania Avenue from 13th to 3rd Street NW.

Expected marches include:

■ Mayor Adrian M. Fenty

■ Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton

■ Members of the District of Columbia Council

■ Congressman Tom Davis

**Voting Rights Rally at the Capitol Reflecting Pool**

**Location:** National Mall at 3rd Street NW

■ Largest Voting Rights Rally in DC History



# EMANCIPATION DAY COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES

## MONDAY, APRIL 9

10:00 a.m. Press Conference with Mayor Adrian M. Fenty to kick off Emancipation Celebration Week.

7:00 p.m. Location: The Anacostia Museum, 1901 Fort Belvoir, SE

- **Emancipation Forum:** Celebrating Emancipation in the Struggle for Voting Rights
- The Free Press: The Free Press Church, 1701 15th Street, NW
- The Role of the African-American Church in the Struggle for Emancipation
- The Rev. John C. Cook and the Abolitionist movement in the District of Columbia
- Developing an Emancipation Agenda in the Struggle for the District of Columbia Vote

## TUESDAY, APRIL 10

6:30 p.m. Washingtonians in the Struggle for Emancipation

In conjunction with Who is a Washingtonian Forum?

- Location: Providence Library, 1611 Connecticut Avenue, NW, 2nd floor
- Organizer: The Humanities Council of Washington, DC
- Washingtonians in the Civil Rights Movement
- Washingtonians in the March on Washington
- Washingtonians and Congressional Representation

7:00 p.m. Historic Events in the Struggle for Emancipation

- Location: University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW, Building 44, Room A03
- The Snow Ball of 1835 – Jefferson Morley – Reporter/Researcher
- The Free Press of 1848 – Josephine E. Buckner – Professor Emerita
- Slavery and the Slave Trade in the Chesapeake Region – Dr. Roger Davidson
- The District of Columbia's Black Civil War Regiment – C.R. Gibbs, Historian

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

12:00 noon Emancipation and Political Oppression

- Location: The Recorder of Deeds Building, 515 D Street NW
- Organizer: Larry Todd, Recorder of Deeds
- The Struggle for Emancipation and the Fight over Slavery
- Emancipation, Jim Crow, and the Civil Rights Movement
- The DC Vote and the Struggle for Congressional Representation
- Slavery and Emancipation in the District of Columbia
- Location: The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G Street NW
- Organizer: Martin Luther King Library
- Escape on the Front: The Heir to Freedom on the Underground Railroad
- The Fight for Africa and the Fight for 1848

7:00 p.m. Conducting Genealogical Research on 19th Century Records

- Location: HBCU (The A.C. 190) Mississippi Avenue, SE
- Organizer: The African-American Historical & Genealogical Society
- Conducting Genealogical Research on African Americans
- Using Slave and Emancipation Era Records
- Using Records in the National Archives
- Using Records in the District of Columbia Archives
- African-American Genealogy and DNA Research
- Tracing your African-American Heritage back to Africa and other Countries around the World

7:00 p.m.

- **Emancipation Day Freedom Songs Concert**
- Location: Capital View Baptist Church, 5201 James Street, NE
- Organizer: Dr. John Fowler, Pastor
- Howard University Choir
- Beamen Baptist Church
- Dunbar High School Gospel Choir
- Roosevelt High School Gospel Choir

## THURSDAY, APRIL 12

7:00 p.m. A Historical Perspective of Slavery

- Location: The National Archives, 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW
- Organizer: The National Museum of African-American History and Culture
- Special guest: Mr. Leorne Bennett
- The Abolitionist Movement in the District of Columbia
- The District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act of 1862
- Voting Rights a Quest for Congressional Representation
- Emancipation Day Book Signing Program
- Location: Betheune Archives and Museum, 1318 Vermont Ave. NW
- Book: Legacy: Histories of Black History edited by Thomas C. Benne & Donna M. Wells

## FRIDAY, APRIL 13

10:00 a.m. Wreath Laying Ceremony

- Location: Lincoln Park, E. Capitol St between 11th and 13th Sts., NE
- Organizer: Friends of DC Emancipation Day, Lauren Corni-Humes
- 5:00 p.m. Debut of a Free cellphone walking tour of the African American history of Lafayette Square.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 14

10:00 a.m. American history of Lafayette Square.

- Location: Stephen Decatur House Museum, 1610 H Street, NW
- Self-guided tour narrated by former Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Togo West
- Pick up a map and tour information in the museum
- Emancipation Day Community Awards Reception
- Location: Anderson Cottage of the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Red Creek Church Rd & Upton St, NW

## SUNDAY, APRIL 15

2:00 p.m. Celebrating Emancipation through Music, Words, & Images

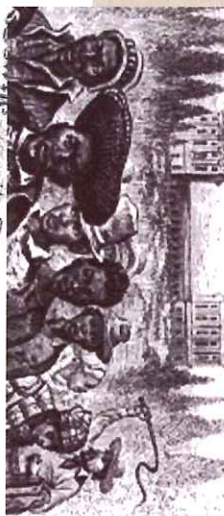
- Location: The Historical Society and the National Music Center, 801 K Street NW
- Organizer: The Historical Society and the National Music Center
- An Interpretation of Emancipation through Poetry & Prose
- Location: Baroque and Poets, 1330 V Street NW
- Slavery and the Abolitionist Movement in the District of Columbia
- The Institution of Slavery in the District of Columbia
- The District of Columbia Vote and the Struggle for Congressional Representation
- The District of Columbia Vote and the Call for Community Action

7:00 p.m.

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## AN ACT

## Congress of the United States

At the City of Washington, on Monday, the 13th day of December, 1862.

[www.d.c.gov/emancipationday](http://www.d.c.gov/emancipationday)



EMANCIPATION  
APRIL 16, 1862





## A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

**April 16, 1862** President Abraham Lincoln signs into law the District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act, which abolished slavery in the District of Columbia.

**July 12, 1862** The District of Columbia Supplemental Compensated Emancipation Act is signed into law.

**April 19, 1866** The African-American community held its first Emancipation Day celebration, as represented on a wood engraving sketch by F. Dielman.

**April 16, 1883** Frederick Douglass spoke at the Emancipation Day Celebration from 1866 to 1901, the Emancipation Day activities were regarded as the most important celebrations in the African-American community.

**January 4, 2005** The Mayor signs Bill 5-927, the District of Columbia Emancipation Amendment Act of 2004 into law. April 16 is designated as a public legal holiday in the District of Columbia.

**April 17, 2006** The District of Columbia government celebrates the first Emancipation Day as a public legal holiday.

**April 16, 2007** The District of Columbia government incorporates a march for full representation in Congress, an event held in conjunction with the celebration of Emancipation Day.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- More than 3,100 enslaved persons in the District of Columbia were freed nine months before President Lincoln issued his famous Emancipation Proclamation.
- The District of Columbia is the only jurisdiction in the United States to have compensated slave owners for freeing enslaved persons.
- An average of \$300 was paid to slaveholders in the District of Columbia as compensation for freeing enslaved persons.
- Claims for compensation were required by law to be presented within ninety days from the passage of the District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act.
- Nearly \$1 million in federal payments were made for the freedom of enslaved persons.

Images courtesy of Library of Congress and Howard University

## ABOLITION IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



**1808** The City Council passes Washington's first Black Codes to control the growing free African-American population.

**1810** Alpha Bowning Turner purchases her freedom.

**1812** The City Council orders all free black persons to register and carry papers proving their freedom.

**1815** Jesse Inney's *Portrait of Domestic Slavery* was published. George Bell, Moses Liverpool, and Nicholas Franklin open the first school for colored people.

**1819** The City Council asks for the power to end the slave trade in Washington — Congress ignored the request.

Abolitionists challenge Congress to abolish slavery in the District under the constitutional authority of exclusive jurisdiction over the District.

**1826** Ashlie Browning Turner purchases the freedom of her sister, children, and her nephew, John F. Cook.

**1827** Washington Abolition Society is organized.

**1831** Washington's antislavery newspaper, the *Genius of Universal Emancipation* is published.

**1831** Slave revolts and Nat Turner's Insurrection occurs.

**1834** Rev. John F. Cook becomes the schoolmaster of Union Seminary and improves its course of study to be equivalent to a high school.

Abolitionists flood Congress with petitions to end slavery and slave trade in the District.

John Quincy Adams, former President and Representative from Massachusetts fought against the gag rule.

**1835** Snow Riot: Destroyed businesses include Beverly Snow's, a free Black proprietor of a popular restaurant at the corner of 6th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, and John F. Cook's church for colored children, located at 14th and H Streets NW.

**1836** Congress enacts the gag rule to set aside petitions to end slavery and slave trade in the District without debate.

**1841** Rev. John F. Cook, the leading black abolitionist in Washington establishes the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church.

**1848** The Pearl Affair and riot occur.

**1850** The Compromise of 1850 occurs.

**1862** The Compensated Emancipation Act is signed into law on April 16.



## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMPENSATED EMANCIPATION WEEK 145th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As Mayor of the District of Columbia, I am pleased to join with all residents to celebrate the 145th anniversary of emancipation in the District of Columbia.


Emancipation came to Washington, DC on April 16, 1862 through an act of Congress entitled: *For the release of certain persons held to service or labor in the District of Columbia which was signed by President Abraham Lincoln.* Most often referred to as the "Compensated Emancipation Act," it made enslaved persons in the District the "First Freed," nine months before President Lincoln issued his famous Emancipation Proclamation. It was the only time the federal government compensated slaveholders for the freedom of enslaved persons.

Emancipation celebrations are recognized among the most important traditions in the African American community and have a long and glorious history in the District of Columbia. Annual celebrations were held from 1866 through 1901, and during the twenty-first emancipation celebration on April 16, 1883, the great abolitionist Frederick Douglass called attention to African Americans' continued struggle for civil rights.

As we celebrate the 145th anniversary of emancipation in the District of Columbia, it is important to recognize the contributions of Mrs. Loretta Carter Hones. Mrs. Hones has worked tirelessly since 1990 to renew the celebrations of liberation and freedom in the District of Columbia. I thank her for keeping the spirit of Emancipation Day alive and well.

In the spirit of the struggle for freedom, this year Emancipation Day will be celebrated with a march to the Capitol to emphasize the District of Columbia's status as the last remaining vestige of freedom without representation in the Congress of the United States of America. I invite all District residents to come march with me on this historic day.

Sincerely,

  
Adrian M. Ferry  
Mayor, District of Columbia

## DC EMANCIPATION DAY APRIL 16, 2007

**WHEREAS**, on April 16, 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed into law the District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act that freed all enslaved persons in the District of Columbia, and officially abolished slavery in the nation's capital; and

**WHEREAS**, the District of Columbia Compensated Emancipation Act of April 16, 1862, freed 3,100 slaves in the District of Columbia, and through this Act, Congress established a commission to appraise the monetary value of these individuals and appropriated more than one million dollars to compensate former slave owners for freeing those held captive in slavery; and

**WHEREAS**, enslaved persons in the District of Columbia were the first freed as a result of the Compensated Emancipation Act of April 16, 1862, and in recognition thereof, African Americans have traditionally held Emancipation Day celebrations as annual events to celebrate the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia; and

**WHEREAS**, this Emancipation Commemorative Celebration marks the 145th Anniversary of the Compensated Emancipation Act in the District of Columbia, and during this celebration the District of Columbia is hosting a March to the Capitol in support of full and complete representation in the Congress of the United States for the residents of the District of Columbia; and

**WHEREAS**, Emancipation Day is a legal public holiday in the District of Columbia and is celebrated on April 16 of each year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2007, as "DC EMANCIPATION DAY" in Washington, DC, and call upon all the residents of this great city to join me to educate the world about the need to complete the process Abraham Lincoln began on April 16, 1862, and achieve full emancipation through equal voting rights.

Adrian M. Ferry  
Mayor, District of Columbia



**DC Emancipation Day 4.16.07**



# Voting Rights March

**Take Two Hours. March with Mayor Fenty!**

**Join us to tell the nation:**

**We were first freed, but still suffer  
Taxation without Representation!**

- Who:** Mayor Fenty, Chairman Gray, Delegate Norton, other elected officials, DC Vote, civic leaders, coalition partners and **you!**
- What:** Voting Rights March — The Largest Demonstration Ever for DC Voting Rights
- When:** DC Emancipation Day, April 16, 2007  
**2:30 PM—Gather at Freedom Plaza, 13<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW**  
**4:00 PM—Rally at the Capitol Reflecting Pool, 3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Independence Ave., NW**
- Where:** Gather at Freedom Plaza and march to the Capitol Reflecting Pool  
Metro Stops: Freedom Plaza—Metro Center • Capitol Reflecting Pool—Federal Center SW
- Why:** Because the nation needs to see thousands of us taking to the streets!



**EMANCIPATION**

**APRIL 16, 1862**

**Pledge To March With Us**

**VotingRightsMarch.org**

**(202) 462-6000 x25**





**Día de Emancipación en DC - Abril 16 del 2007**



# MARCHA POR TU DERECHO AL VOTO

**Toma 2 horas. ¡Marcha con el Alcalde Fenty!**

**Unámonos para decirle a toda la Nación:  
Fuimos liberados pero seguimos sufriendo  
¡PAGANDO IMPUESTOS SIN REPRESENTACION!**

- ¿Quién?** Alcalde Fenty, Presidente del Consejo de la ciudad Gray, Delegada Norton, y otros oficiales electos, DC Vote, Lideres Cívicos, Colisiones aliadas y TU !
- ¿Qué?** Marcha por tu derecho al Voto — La más grande manifestación que DC ha hecho sobre el Derecho al Voto
- ¿Cuándo?** Día de Emancipación en DC, Abril 16 del 2007  
**2:30 PM — Reunión en La Plaza Libertad (Freedom Plaza)**, en las calles 13<sup>th</sup> y Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
**4:00 PM — Manifestación en la pileta del Capitolio (Capitol Reflecting Pool)**, en la Calle 3<sup>rd</sup> y la Independence Ave., NW
- ¿Dónde?** Nos reuniremos en la Plaza Libertad (Freedom Plaza) y marcharemos hacia la pileta del Capitolio (Capitol Reflecting Pool)  
Paradas del Metro: Freedom Plaza—Metro Center • Capitol Reflecting Pool—Federal Center SW
- ¿Por qué?** ¡La Nación necesita ver como millares de nosotros tomamos las calles!



**Comprometámonos a marchar  
todos juntos  
[VotingRightsMarch.org](http://VotingRightsMarch.org)  
(202) 462-6000 x 25**





华盛顿特区奴隶解放纪念日 **4.16.07**



# 选举权竞 走活动

**与市长芬提一起竞走两小时!**

**加入我们来告诉这个国家**

**我们是首先获得自由的，但我们仍然经受没有代表权的征税苦；**

**谁：** 市长芬提，市议长格瑞，代表团成员诺顿，以及其他获选官员，市区选举权和民权领袖，联盟伙伴，和你！

**什么：** 选举权竞走——华盛顿特区有史以来最大的选举权声言活动

**何时：** 特区奴隶解放纪念日，2007 年 4 月 16 日  
下午 2: 30 在自由大厦集合（13<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW）  
（在第 13 大街和宾州大道之间，市西北方向）  
下午四点在国会反射池集合（3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Independence Ave., NW）  
（在第三街和独立大道之间，市西北方向）

**哪里：** 聚集在自由大厦，竞走到国会反射池（地铁停靠站：自由大厦—Metro Center；国会反射池—Federal Center 西南方向）

**为什么：** 因为这个国家需要看到千万个我们并肩走在这条大道上！



同我们一起竞走请愿  
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# 워싱턴 DC 독립의 날 4.16.07



## 투표권취득 가두 행진

**웬티 시장과 함께 2 시간 가두행진!**

**함께 국가에 말합시다:**

**우리는 독립했지만, 아직도 고통 받습니다.**

**대표 없는 납세!**

**누가:** 웬티 시장, 그레이 의장, 놀턴 하원 의원, 다른 선임 공무원들, 디씨 유권자, 시민 지도자들, 연합원 그리고 당신!

**무엇을:** 투표권취득 운동 -DC 투표권취득을 위한 가장 큰 시위

**언제:** 워싱턴 DC 독립의 날, 2007 년 4 월 16 일  
오후 2: 30 — **Freedom Plaza** 에 집결, 13<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
오후 4: 00 — **Capitol Reflecting Pool** 집회장소, 3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Independence Ave., NW

**어디서:** Freedom Plaza 집결 후, the Capitol Reflecting Pool 로 가두 시위  
메트로 역: Freedom Plaza—Metro Center • Capitol Reflecting Pool—Federal Center SW

**왜:** 수천만 명의 우리가 도로 위에서 행진 하는 것을 국가가 보아야 합니다.



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**Ngày giải phóng nô lệ DC 4.16.07**



## **Tuần hành vì quyền bỏ phiếu**

**Hãy dành hai giờ. Hãy tuần hành cùng Thị Trưởng Fenty!**

**Hãy cho cả nước Mỹ biết rằng:**

**Chúng ta là những người được thả tự do đầu tiên nhưng  
vẫn còn đang phải chịu đựng**

**Bị thu thuế mà không được có đại diện trong Quốc hội!**

**Ai:** Thị trưởng Fenty, Chủ tịch Hội đồng thành phố Gray, Hạ nghị sĩ Norton, Những quan chức khác, Tổ chức DC Vote, các nhà lãnh đạo xã hội, các thành viên trong liên minh và quý vị!

**Sự kiện gì:** Tuần hành vì quyền bỏ phiếu — Cuộc biểu tình lớn nhất từ trước tới nay vì quyền bỏ phiếu của DC.

**Khi nào:** Ngày Giải phóng Nô lệ DC, 16 tháng tư, 2007  
2:30 chiều — Tập trung tại Freedom Plaza, 13<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
4:00 chiều — Tập trung tại hồ nước trước toà nhà Quốc Hội, 3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Independence Ave., NW

**Ở đâu:** Tập trung tại Freedom Plaza và tuần hành tới hồ nước trước toà nhà  
Bến xe điện: Freedom Plaza—Metro Center • Capitol Reflecting Pool—Federal Center SW

**Tại sao:** Vì Quốc hội cần thấy hàng ngàn người chúng ta xuống đường



**Hãy tuần hành cùng chúng tôi**  
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# የምርጫ መብት ጉዞ

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**መቼ፡** ዲሲን ነፃ ማውጫ ቀን፣ ኤፕሪል 16, 2007

**2:30 PM** ፍሪደም ፕላዛ መገናኘት፣ 13<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW

**4:00 PM** ካፒቶል ሪፍሌክቲንግ ፑል መስብሰብ፣ 3<sup>rd</sup> St. & Independence Ave., NW

**የት፡** ፍሪደም ፕላዛ መገናኘትና ወደ ካፒቶል ሪፍሌክቲንግ ፑል መጓዝ

**ሜትሮ መቆሚያ፡** Freedom Plaza - Metro Center • Capitol Reflecting Pool - Federal Center SW

**ለምን፡** ሀገሪቱ፣ በሺህ የምንቆጠረው፣ መንገዶችን ስንቆጣጠር ማየት አለባት!



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