Juneteenth Celebration and 19TH Century African American Liberations

Listed resources provide the historical legacy and a timeline of many blacks’ pursuit of and struggle to obtain freedom during the turn of the 19th century. Juneteenth is recognized as a state holiday and a special day of observance in forty-three U.S. states. From the portmanteau of “June” and “nineteenth,” this celebration and day of liberation is widely celebrated.

Juneteenth commemorates June 19, 1865— the day of the legendary announcement of the abolition of slavery in the U.S. State of Texas. This announcement comes years later after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed, by President Abraham Lincoln in January 1, 1863. Yet, this American holiday is generally acknowledged as the emancipation of enslaved African Americans, all throughout what was once considered the Confederate States of America.

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Author: Belafonte, Harry
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Author: MacGregor, Morris J.
M-FILM 355.0089 BLACKS

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Author: Beckles, Hilary
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Author: Nieman, Donald G.
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- Black Independence Day
- Freedom Day
- Juneteenth Independence Day
- Emancipation Day
- Abolition of Slavery
- Emancipation Proclamation
- 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution
- Confederate States of America
- Juneteenth AND Emancipation Proclamation

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