



Volunteer Information:
Ohio History Center



Juneteenth is a federal holiday that commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. Originating in Texas, it has been observed annually on June 19 since 1865. It is the oldest known celebration of the end of slavery in the United States.

The Jubilee Day Festival is a vibrant celebration that brings together a rich tapestry of culture, history and community spirit. This dynamic event will feature a variety of educational and uplifting performances, including thought-provoking reenactments that bring history to life. Enjoy tantalizing food demonstrations that highlight diverse culinary traditions, while live music, dance and captivating film screenings add to the festival's lively atmosphere. Whether you're learning something new, indulging in delicious flavors or enjoying the rhythm of dance and music, the Jubilee Day Festival promises an enriching experience for all ages, celebrating both the past and the present in a fun and interactive way.

This event is free, with pre-registration encouraged.

Event Schedule:

11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Final set-ups for event	
12:15 pm	Call & Response Opening	Red Carpet Area
12:30 pm	Guided Tour: Battle Flags	Follow the Flag
1:00 pm	Dance of Liberation (Ohio Black Dance)	Red Carpet Area
1:30 pm	Jubilee Coded Music Program	Gallery 3 Workspace
2:00 pm	"A Matter of Conscience" play	Red Carpet Area
2:30 pm	Guided Tour: Battle Flags	Follow the Flag
2:45 pm	Jubilee Coded Music Program	Gallery 3 Workspace
3:00 pm	Indie Film Screenings (2-3 shorts)	Red Carpet Area
ONGOING ACTIVITIES		
12:00pm – 3:30pm	Paper Flowers/Freedom Bells/Paper Quilt Squares/Community Art Project	Creative Ohio/ Center Floor
12:45pm – 2:15pm	Quilting in the African American Tradition	Discovery Theater
	Food Demos with Island Grill	Gallery 3 Workspace

Roles Needed:

- Hands-On Activities (t-shirt opportunity)
 - Help visitors with guided instructions to create Paper Quilts, Tissue Paper Flowers, Freedom Bells
 - Utilize exhibit loom and assist guests with weaving activity (from school season)
- Greeting/Wayfinding (t-shirt)
 - Welcome guests, hand out schedules, walk through event to offer wayfinding
- Support (t-shirt)

- Assist staff with set up/tear down, help vendors/partners with arrival and wayfinding, help replenish supplies and check on partners
4. Lustron (t-shirt)

To Sign Up:

Shifts are posted on Track it Forward. Shift times for this event are from 11:30 am – 4:00pm, which allows for time to help with set up and to assist with taking down hands-on activities. This event runs from 12pm-4pm, but hands-on activities end at 3:30pm.

To Cancel: You may cancel your shift via Track it Forward up to the 17th (2 days before the event). After the 17th, please contact the Ohio History Center VSAs at 614-297-2641 and speak with a VSA or leave a message. They will in turn contact program staff.

Other Notes:

- The break room will be in the Paw Paw Room, and there will be snacks. Some food trucks will be present: Fork in Nigeria will be the main truck, located out front of bldg.
- This event is FREE but we ask folks to check in at the front
- There will be a DJ/Emcee on the Red Carpet Area and music may be at higher levels than normal. Ear plugs are available at the front desk should you require them.

Questions? Please contact Katie Nowack at knowack@ohiohistory.org and she'll coordinate with program leads!

