



Historic Rosedale Press Release
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For immediate release: *Historic Rosedale Celebrates Juneteenth*
Charlotte, NC

On Saturday, June 21, 2025, Historic Rosedale, located at 3427 N. Tryon St., in Charlotte will host its Annual Juneteenth Celebration from 10am-2:30pm. The celebration will feature the Drums 4 Life Drum Circle, as well as a host of activities throughout the grounds such as rain stick making, quilt making for children, blacksmith demonstrations as well as tours of the 1815 building, and a quilt exhibit by African American crafters on exhibit in the cellar.

All are welcome to participate in the event which is free of charge. Guided house tours are optional with a \$15 fee for adults and a \$13 fee for students, military/veteran, and senior 65+. Children under 5 are free. The grounds will be open as well.

The Historic Rosedale Juneteenth Celebration is part of the museum's African American Legacy Project. The African American Legacy Project aims to promote the truthful, compassionate, and equitable presentation of those African Americans, both enslaved and freed, who lived and worked at the site. The event on June 21 both strives to fulfill this mission and to offer a meaningful program to commemorate this history. Please note: Historic Rosedale invites everyone to join in this celebration.

Juneteenth commemorates June 19, 1865, the day when enslaved people were legally free throughout the United States. Though the Emancipation Proclamation, issued by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863, and the 13th Amendment granted emancipation, not everyone in Confederate territory was immediately free. On June 19, 1865, in Galveston Bay, Texas, an army of about 2,000 Union troops proclaimed the message of the executive decree that stated that the more than 250,000 enslaved people in the state were free. This day came to be known as "Juneteenth."

The Mission of Historic Rosedale Foundation is threefold: to educate, to preserve and to continue to build a more diverse and inclusive platform for interpretation. We shall: 1) Present an authentic view of five generations of the Frew, Caldwell and Davidson families, and the enslaved and free African Americans that lived and worked on the land; 2) Preserve and interpret the 1815 historic house and the surrounding buildings emphasizing the important role these white and black families held in Charlotte, NC; 3) Provide and maintain a peaceful green space with Treasure Trees, garden borders, native and heirloom plants within a highly developed urban corridor.

For more information about this or other Historic Rosedale events, please visit www.historicrosedale.org or call 704-335-0325.