



Contrabands & Freedmen Cemetery Memorial 5th Anniversary Celebration Descendant Schedule

Friday, September 13, 2019

- Noon - 4:00 pm **Open House** at the Alexandria Black History Museum
902 Wythe Street
Registration and packet pick up, light refreshments
- Dinner on own
- 6:00 pm **Buses pick up** guests at room block hotels,
Embassy Suites by Hilton Alexandria Old Town and
Hilton Alexandria Old Town
- 6:30 **Opening Program**, doors open
Nannie J. Lee Recreation Center
1108 Jefferson Street
- 7:00 **Welcome Remarks** by Mayor Justin Wilson
Lecture: Alexandria's Freedmen's Cemetery, A Legacy of
Freedom by historian Char McCargo Bah
Followed by Reception and Book Signing
- 9:15 Buses return to hotels

Saturday, September 14, 2019

- 9:30 am Buses leave from hotels to Memorial
- 10:30 **Wreath Laying Ceremony**
Contrabands & Freedmen Cemetery Memorial
1001 S. Washington Street
- Bus transportation to the Luncheon
- Noon – 2:00 pm **Luncheon and Program**
Nannie J. Lee Recreation Center
1108 Jefferson Street

Keynote address by Terry E. Brown, National Park Service
Superintendent of Fort Monroe National Monument

“The History of Caroline Branham: The Power of the Pinecone,” by ZSun-nee Miller-Matema, Historical Interpreter

2:30 -5:30 pm **Bus Tour of Alexandria African American Sites:**
 Freedom House Museum
 Fort Ward Museum
 Virginia Theological Seminary

5:30 Dinner on Own

8:00 pm Buses pick up guests at hotel for Vigil at the Memorial

8:30 pm **Candlelight Vigil**
 Contrabands & Freedmen Cemetery Memorial
 1001 S. Washington Street

9:15 pm Buses return to hotels

Sunday, September 15, 2019 (Limited to first 50 registrants)

7:15 am Buses pick up from hotels

8:00 am **Private Tour** of the National Museum of African American
 History and Culture, Washington, DC (wear walking shoes)

2:00 pm Buses return to hotels

Registration is \$100. An early bird discount is offered for those registering before August 9th.

Register Online: Shop.Alexandriava.gov

Hotel Blocks: Alexandria Black History Museum Room Block (Code SXB)

Embassy Suites by Hilton Alexandria Old Town, 703-684-5900

Hilton Alexandria Old Town, 703-837-0440

This weekend is sponsored by the Office of Historic Alexandria, City of Alexandria. For more information about this event, please visit Alexandriava.gov/Historic. For registration information or assistance, call 703.746.4554.