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**Third Annual MSU Juneteenth Celebration**

All are invited to the third annual MSU Juneteenth Celebration 158 Years Later: Celebrating Progress on **Friday, June 16, 2023, from 5:15 - 8 p.m.** at the Breslin Center with doors opening at 4:30 p.m.

This year’s event features Rodney Page as emcee, jazz performances by the College of Music, gospel music by Gregory D and Company, the Black Wall Street Vendor Fair, Idlewild Entertainment, free food, giveaways, photos with Sparty and more.

Join in the commemoration of freedom and community!

The Breslin Center is wheelchair accessible with all-gender restrooms available.

Visit <https://inclusion.msu.edu/awards/juneteenth/index.html>

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**Where:** Breslin Center (534 Birch Rd, Gilbert Pavilion entrance)

**Website:** <https://inclusion.msu.edu/awards/juneteenth/index.html>

**RSVP:** <https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8943guPGE49WxTM>

**What is Juneteenth?**

On June 19, 1865, two-and-a-half years after the Emancipation Proclamation orders were given to free the over 250,000 African American slaves in Texas who had not yet been informed of the decree. Juneteenth, short for June nineteenth, is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States.

A century and a half later, Juneteenth is not taught in schools or widely known. MSU recognizes the importance of celebrating the full history of the U.S. so that everyone receives the recognition they deserve as builders of a great nation.

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Attend the third annual MSU Juneteenth Celebration on June 16 at the Breslin Center, to commemorate the ending of slavery in the U.S. with music, performances, dancing, giveaways, free food and more! Doors open at 4:30 p.m. #MSUJuneteenth

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Juneteenth graphic featuring Emcee Rodney Page, Jazz Quintet members, Gregory D and Black Wall Street Vendor Fair vendors.