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**For Immediate Release:**

**Annual Juneteenth Heritage Celebration
at Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site**

Join us Saturday, June 8 from 10am to 4pm for a day of celebrating the Evolution of Black Music at our Annual Judge Eddie E. Harrison Juneteenth Heritage Celebration!

This free event will celebrate the legacy and evolution of Black music with a great of lineup of artists from across genres including Spiritual, Gospel, Blues, Country, Jazz, R&B, Funk, and Hip Hop.

**Schedule of Music:**
11-11:30 Arthur Curry & Wash Jones
11:40-11:55 St. Peters Episcopal
Noon-12:15 Tameisha Pruett-Ray
12:20-12:50 Christina Williams
1:05-2:05 Tweed Smith and the Internationals
2:20-2:50 Christy Hopes
3:00-4:00 Fantasy Band

There will be food and craft vendors, noted African American authors, a temporary exhibit on local Blues Musician Mance Lipscomb and informational booths from many organizations, museums, and businesses from across the Brazos Valley.

Barrington Plantation will have a cooking in the Quarter program and the Shadows Exhibit dedicated to the enslaved that lived at Barrington.

This event is dedicated to the memory of Judge Eddie E. Harrison who pioneered the now annual commemoration in 2017 and who’s legacy looms large over the entirety of Washington County and the Brazos Valley.

Join us as we celebrate freedom on the Brazos River!

**Sponsors include the Washington on the Brazos Historical Foundation, Texas Historical Commission, Texas 10 Historical Explorers,** Washington County Convention and Visitors Bureau, City of Navasota and Arts Council of the Brazos Valley. For more information contact Tynan Shadle at tynan.shadle@thc.texas.gov, or at 936-878-2214 ext 224.

**Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site**

Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site is found on the Brazos River at the original townsite of Washington, Texas, a major political and commercial center in early Texas. It is located at 23400 Park Road 12, Washington, TX, 77880—approximately halfway between Brenham and Navasota, off of State Hwy. 105. From Hwy. 105, follow either FM 912 or FM 1155 to Park Road 12. For additional information, call (936) 878-2214 or visit the site’s website at [www.wheretexasbecametexas.org](http://www.wheretexasbecametexas.org).