



Muscogee Creek Indian Freedmen Band

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Free Event!!!!

The Muscogee Creek Indian Freedmen Band [MCIFB] of Oklahoma will host its annual history program in honor of Black History month. This event is scheduled on Saturday, February 18, 2017, at the True-light Worship Center at 3:00 PM.

Participants will be enlightened on the “Little-known history” of the Muscogee Creek Indian Freedmen, while enjoying “old-time” traditional gospel music, Storytelling, a meme dance performance and much more. The event will commence with a brief history of the Muscogee Creek Freedmen, and the Seminole Freedmen.

Special guest:

- Brotherly Love
- Ms. Jennifer A. Bradley
- Musical guest, Pastor Linda Daniel
- Minister Terry Reece
- Sylvia Davis-Price, Black Seminoles

Brotherly Love is a group of sensational gospel singers from Ada Oklahoma. They grew up as children singing for the Lord. God brought these anointed men together Five years ago. Please come out and join us for some down home traditional quartet music from the “Brotherly Love!”

Story Teller, Jennifer Bradley will guide event participants on a journey back in time to the days of Indian Territory, a pivotal time in history before the creation of the State of Oklahoma. A time when people of African descent were known as Natives, Black Indians or African Creeks in Indian Territory. In Bradley’s portrayal of Creek Freedwoman, Mary Grayson she gives a riveting performance of this little know history as recorded by the writer's project (WPA) in the 1937 interview of Grayson “I am what colored people call a Native.”

Sylvia Davis-Price, Band Chief of the Black Seminoles her presentation will focus on the history of Fort Mose the year 1795 and its significance as it relates to free blacks, Spaniards, and Native American background of Fort Mose.

Background

Hidden away in the marshes of St. Augustine, Florida is one of the most important sites in American history: the first free community of ex-slaves, founded in 1738 and called *gracias real de Santa Teresa de Mose* or fort Mose (pronounced moh-say).

(More than a century before the emancipation proclamation, slaves from the British colonies were able to follow the original “underground railroad” which headed not to the north, but rather south, to the Spanish colony of Florida. There they were given their freedom if they declared their allegiance to the king of Spain and joined the Catholic Church. Fort Mose was the northern defense of St. Augustine, the nation’s oldest city).
Courtesy, fort Mose historical society

Come out and join us as we celebrate and educate attendees about this unique history. Members and the general public are encouraged to attend this FREE EVENT.

When: February 18, 2017

Time: 3:00PM

Cost: Free

Where: True-light Worship Center

Address: 1391 N Midwest Blvd Midwest City, Okla. 73110

For more information please contact us at (405) 414-0366, (405) 204-0023 or by email at contactus@1866creekfreedmen.com. www.1866creekfreedmen.com

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Brotherly Love



SYLVIA DAVIS-PRICE



**JENNIFER BRADLEY AS
MARY GRAYSON**



PASTOR LINDA DANIEL



MINISTER TERRY REECE