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Ocean County Library to Mark Juneteenth with "When the Cavalry Came to Call"

TOMS RIVER – In honor of Juneteenth, the Ocean County Library will present a live program by noted storyteller Michelle Washington Wilson, "When the Cavalry Came to Call."

The presentations will take place at the OCL Jackson Branch, 2 PM Saturday, June 17, and at the OCL Waretown Branch, 4 PM Monday, June 19. Ms. Wilson will relate stories and poems that celebrate African American Emancipation and honor the sacrifices made to attain it.

Juneteenth National Independence Day, observed June 19, is a federal holiday that commemorates emancipation and celebrates African American culture.

Ms. Wilson has devoted more than 30 years to writing, performing and story-telling throughout North America and the Caribbean, sharing tales from around the world. She is featured in two books, *Legendary Locals of the Pine Barrens of New Jersey* and *Small Towns, Black Lives.* Both can be found in the Ocean County Library system.

Please register at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events to attend this free program at either branch. For more information, visit the OCL Jackson Branch, 2 Jackson Drive, (732) 928-4400, or the OCL Waretown Branch, 112 Main Street, (609) 693-5133.

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