

# Program

Muster of the 54<sup>th</sup> Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Benny White, Commander. Please visit the encampment  
of the Regiment and learn about their uniforms and provisions up close.

Master of Ceremonies	Edmund Barry Gaither, <i>Director National Center of Afro-American Artists</i>
Drum call convening the program	Stephen P. O'Neil Troupe
Libation to the ancestors	Paula Coar, <i>Educator, Paige Academy Board Member</i>
Presentation of Colors (Audience standing)	54 <sup>th</sup> Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Benny White <i>Commander</i>
National Anthem, <i>Francis Scott Key</i> (Remain standing)	Danielle Ruffen, <i>soloist</i> Paul White, <i>accompanist</i>
Invocation	Rev. Liz Walker, <i>Minister Roxbury Presbyterian Church</i>
Welcome and the Occasion	Edmund B. Gaither
Musical interlude	Paul White, <i>composer, arranger and pianist</i>
Oratorical presentation	Tayo Stuppard
Presentation of the Ralph F. Browne, Jr. Awards	Mrs. Wilma Browne asst. by previous recipients
Musical interlude	Paul White
Readings: Emancipation Proclamation	Jumaada A-K H. Smith, J.D. Boston Juneteenth Committee